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FY20 On-Ramp Fellowships

This is a program of the Indiana Arts Commission (IAC). The IAC is an agency of State Government funded by the Indiana General Assembly and the National Endowments for the Arts, a federal agency. On behalf of the people of Indiana, the IAC advocates engagement with the arts to enrich the quality of individual and community life. The IAC is governed by a 15 member board of gubernatorial appointees and serves all citizens and regions of the state.

Creatives are awarded the fellowship if they have receive the On-Ramp Creative Entrepreneur Course Certificate of Completion and successfully propose a career development project for funding.

Region	Fellow	City	County	Discipline	Grant Amount
3	Janna Ahrndt	West Lafayette	DeKalb	Interdisciplinary	\$ 2,000.00
P@tch is a wearable electronics series allowing users to track Environmental impact data in a shared database and public visualization. The latest iteration will include the creation of a wearable CO2 sensor to create a conversation about personal contributions to air pollutants and those who are affected by poor air quality.					
8	Kaila Austin	Bloomington	Monroe	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
Kaila Austin is to create a mobile art-papermaking studio in order to both allow her to work from home and teach accessible art courses to people in low income communities. In addition, she will be attending a papermaking and dyeing course at the Women's Studio Workshop (WSW) in Rosendale NY in order to expand her skill set.					
1	Sam Love	Gary	Lake	Interdisciplinary	\$ 2,000.00
This fellowship would allow me to purchase professional audio-visual documentary equipment to improve the quality and increase the quantity of documentation of my social practice. This documentation will help me better publicize my social practice and more efficiently grow my network of supporters and professional contacts.					
7	Katelyn Calhoun	Indianapolis	Marion	Media Arts	\$ 2,000.00
As a documentary filmmaker, Katelyn Calhoun tells character driven stories. The funds will cover expenses in the production of her short documentary film, Braided with the Current. Initiated by funding via Indiana Humanities, Katelyn began this film in 2018 with wide geographic parameters and will use her fellowship period to dial in on the river stories of Muncie, Indiana.					
4	Alyse Chinnock	Lafayette	Tippecanoe	Literature	\$ 2,000.00
Alyse will increase her knowledge and networks by attending the Association of Writers and Poets conference in 2020. She will leverage this experience to develop a poetry reading series in Lafayette, Indiana. This series will create paying opportunities for readers and sustain itself through sponsorships, donations, and ticket sales.					
4	Alicia Dawn Criswell	Lafayette	Tippecanoe	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
I will complete supervision requirements that will enable me to become a Registered Art Therapist (ATR), and develop a hands-on workshop for the community that highlights the importance of therapeutic art making and art therapy. I will create and exhibit a body of work that reflects on the process of art therapy to further community awareness and interest in both my work and mental health.					
7	D. Del Reverda-Jennings	Indianapolis	Marion	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
Purchase of a 20 Ton - Hydraulic Press, which will considerably aid in the production of textural metal 'art' jewelry. Purchase of additional metal stock including copper, brass and aluminum rod, sheet and tubing to create pieces of personal adornments that I will display in commercial artisan jewelry, body-decorating objects & wearable-art/wearable-ornament and design expositions and venues.					
1	Brian Dortmund	Chesterton	Porter	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
Visual artist Brian Dortmund will establish the website briandortmund.com which will become a matrix for his various creative practices. The website will function as an interface and social media platform presenting his work to clients, peers, and collaborators. The site will also display and archive artistic work, to promote greater visibility of his developing career as a working artist.					

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5	Jacob Drummer	Muncie	Delaware	Dance	\$ 2,000.00
Jacob will launch his performance company with an event called 'Night of Art.' The event got its name because it will bring artists and performers from his community together to display and celebrate dance, musical performance, and visual arts.					
2	Dawn England-Harless	Nappanee	Kosciusko	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
Dawn England-Harless will create a body of work-paintings, drawings, and glass-that she will curate with the help of mentors and peers. She will learn the process of curating a solo show by attaining a network of resources in her community. Long term goal (past the life of the grant) is to submit her curated show for a solo showing in Indiana.					
5	Sanovia Garrett	Muncie	Delaware	Music	\$ 2,000.00
I will promote my new album by preparing for a six-stop tour. I will do this by improving my guitar skills through 6 month of intensive lessons, the purchase of a loop pedal for live performances and the use of a videographer for two of the tour dates to improve my online YouTube presence. The tours will offer a phone-free space to learn how to be in the moment and build community.					
10	Emily Gartner	Evansville	Vanderburgh	Design Arts	\$ 2,000.00
I design unique fashions, paint, mentor and also teach sewing classes. All of these get interwoven into a unique offering of limited and one-of-a-kind wearable art. My desire is to cast a wider net in all these categories by updating my laptop and to purchasing the ideal design software for creating my custom fabrics. I have been using a very low functioning computer for several years.					
7	Gary Gee	Indianapolis	Marion	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
If approved, I'll be traveling to Art Basel in Miami, December 5th – 8th. I believe this projects would actually be a beneficial educational opportunity, that will help me to gain first hand knowledge, towards one of my ultimate creative career goals. By attending the largest art show in North America, with over 250 of the world's leading galleries participate, and artist from around the world.					
7	Alexandra Geske	Indianapolis	Marion	Crafts	\$ 2,000.00
This project will help advance Alexandra Geske's woodworking career by allowing her to participate in teaching opportunities, craft fairs and make needed upgrades to both her business and studio.					
7	Kate Gregg	Shelbyville	Shelby	Photography	\$ 2,000.00
This fellowship will help purchase equipment and material to assist photographer Kate Gregg in producing a body of images, both digital and print, supporting community awareness of free/low cost sports programs for local youth to provide opportunities to escape limiting or negative lifestyles. These images will depict the gyms mission and positive impact on our community.					
9	Brooke Hawkins	Columbus	Bartholomew	Design Arts	\$ 2,000.00
I will travel to New York to attend the Adobe 99U Conference where I will hear from a diverse group of thinkers and doers, and participate in hands-on workshops that dive into new disciplines and technologies. I will connect with potential collaborators, and gain an understanding of the trends affecting the future of creativity.					
7	Craig Helming	Noblesville	Hamilton	Crafts	\$ 2,000.00
Being put in a box, the quandary of deciphering what is functional vs. unfunctional, and sorting out ones' personal purpose are all dilemmas we walk with as artists and individuals. This grant will enable me to create my first series of work titled "fun unfun" that invites interaction and nudges ones' viewpoint of purpose (life and art).					
1	Laurel IZard	Michigan City	LaPorte	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
Laurel IZard will purchase a semi-industrial sewing machine to double her production of endangered animal art quilts and exhibit them at the Art Barn School of Art in Northwest Indiana and throughout the country. Having a professionally built website will give IZard a broader Internet presence and allow her to get the word out about the mass extinction of animals.					
7	Megan Jefferson	Indianapolis	Marion	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
Megan Jefferson will attend several Herbalism and Foraging workshops to learn about native Indiana plants and their medicinal uses. She will also attend a painting workshop, focusing on painting flowers and plants. She will then complete a series of eight art works inspired by plant medicine and exhibit these works in a public setting.					
1	Kristina Knowski	Porter	Porter	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
Kristina will give her career a "facelift" with an updated website, the proper financial tools, purchase of new supplies and equipment, and assistance in studio rental. This project, in conjunction with the Creative Entrepreneur Course, will allow this artist be able to reach a wider audience through gallery representation and lay the groundwork to a solid, professional, fine art career.					
7	Andrea Light	Indianapolis	Marion	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
Funds obtained through the fellowship would be used to purchase a laser cutter. This equipment would enable me to build unique, portable displays to showcase my art at outdoor markets and create custom marketing materials on demand.					
10	Fernando Lozano	Edwardsport	Knox	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
The goals for this project are to continue using technology to advance my creativity and professional career and to become more prolific in my Digital Art.					

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2	Stephanie McDairmant	Warsaw	Kosciusko	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
Stephanie will strengthen her web presence through changes made to her website, www.canaryartwork.com, including a new logo and branding materials. Canaryartwork.com will help facilitate public art projects which are designed to bring awareness to the role of art in healing and human connection.					
3	Maddie Miller	Fort Wayne	Allen	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
Maddie Miller will create a new body of artwork exploring our emotional connection to space. Her research will involve volunteering to improve her surrounding neighborhoods and learning how to cast concrete to better express her ideas.					
10	Dawn Murtaugh	Evansville	Vanderburgh	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
The artist will create, lecture and display recycled textile waterscape environments being threatened by the production, use and disposal of fabrics. A gallery performance art piece and creative, hands on activities utilizing denim will be featured. A book and social media presentation of photographs and text will act as marketing tools in pursuit of creating for similar events.					
7	Erica Parker	Indianapolis	Marion	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
Blend Creative Minds will host and participate in a graffiti arts mural festival in the Broad Ripple neighborhood of Indianapolis. This production will create new connections within the general public and art institutions, provide opportunities for mentorship, and strengthen their portfolio to establish themselves as professional muralists.					
5	Dee Parson	Anderson	Madison	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
My goal is to attend the comic convention C2E2 in Chicago, IL, to not only expand the awareness of my comic series "Pen & Ink" and "Life With Kurami, but to also expand my network of local artists I'm connected with and my experiences outside of central Indiana.					
9	LeAnn Price	Aurora	Dearborn	Crafts	\$ 2,000.00
LeAnn will travel to Richmond Virginia to attend the national conference of the National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts (NCECA) in order to network with other ceramic artists, learn new surface decoration techniques, and gain knowledge and understanding of the process for developing and carrying out a community art project.					
8	Amanda Ross	Spencer	Owen	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
I will supply the Fiber Arts Bloomington Studio Dye Lab (FABLab) with professional equipment suitable for dyeing yarn and larger dyeing projects. I will schedule two gatherings of local weavers and textile artists to discuss how the FABLab could best respond to their artistic needs.					
7	Eric Salazar	Brownsburg	Hendricks	Music	\$ 2,000.00
On-Ramp Fellowship funding will allow Eric Salazar to lead the creation of a music video with Forward Motion, Indianapolis' premiere New Music chamber ensemble. The music video will present "Reflect & Release," an original composition by Indy composer Rob Funkhouser, in a new and compelling light.					
7	Joshua Silbert	Indianapolis	Marion	Music	\$ 2,000.00
The immediate goal of this project is to license my original musical compositions for movies and television. This is the first step of a long term plan to build a creative pipeline connecting the talent pool of Central Indiana musicians to the abundant opportunities in licensing music for visual content.					
3	Olivia Ulch	Fort Wayne	Allen	Design Arts	\$ 2,000.00
Olivia will complete her first public mural as a way to challenge her established digital art knowledge, expand skill-sets in installation work, and encourage network development for future opportunities. The Fellowship will assist in funding the production of custom vinyl wall covering material and installation expenses associated with the mural.					
8	Cassidy Young	Bloomington	Monroe	Visual Art	\$ 2,000.00
I intend to use these funds to update and streamline the production and sale of my artwork, allowing me to focus more on the creation of new pieces. My goal is to raise my profile as a professional artist enough to be featured in the 2020 annual Open Studio Tour in Bloomington.					