



Cultural Heritage Grants

2021-2023 Year One

Awardee	Award Amount	Location (City)	Project Overview
30,000 Feet 30kft.art	\$20,000	Roseville	Develop and offer 12 artist residency workshops, connecting Black youth in East Saint Paul to Black artists. Through projects and experiential learning rooted in African American culture and history, students will use art to discuss social justice and other areas that spark passion.
African Economic Development Solutions aeds-mn.org	\$90,000	Saint Paul	AEDS will harness African heritage art and culture to support and bolster community engagement, leadership development, and networking activities that culminate in launching the Minnesota African Action Coalition (MAAC).
Afro American Development Association aadevassoc.org	\$19,903	Moorhead	Afro American Development Association (AADA) will partner with renowned Somali musician Nimcaan Hilaac to bring Somali musical education to Somali American youth in Minnesota.
BlackTableArts	\$105,000	Minneapolis	Summer Youth Cooperative Lab will expand access to high school students as we excavate the tradition of arts organizing through Black literature and protest writing.
Bruce Corrie americatv.me	\$8,700	Saint Paul	America is polarized around cultural and racial identity. AmercaTV.me will offer a vision where people can discover common roots across diverse cultural identities. Two videos and virtual tours will be produced - "Rhythms" and "Flavors".
Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio (CLUES) clues.org	\$150,000	Saint Paul	To honor and preserve the cultural heritage of Minnesota's Latino community, CLUES will lay the groundwork for an innovative arts and cultural space on Minneapolis' Lake Street Cultural Corridor.
Friends of the Mississippi River fmr.org	\$8,500	Saint Paul	The Cultural River Stewards project will gather narratives and practices from different cultural communities' stewardship of the Mississippi River.
Green Card Voices greencardvoices.org	\$8,500	Minneapolis	This project will publish bilingual, single-story graphic novels based on the positive reception of their best-selling Kirkus-star reviewed anthology, Our Stories Carried Us Here.



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Hispanic Advocacy and Community Empowerment through Research hacer-mn.org	\$125,000	Saint Paul	Creando Nuestro Futuro will be a series of murals created by Latinx children of Aurora Charter School to help them tell the story of pain that has resulted from being at the epicenter of racial injustice in our world and health inequities, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, but also to help them heal from the wounds and discover a better day.
In Progress in-progress.org	\$20,000	Saint Paul	The Harvest is a documentary video that will provide a look into the lives of families that come together each year to harvest sugar beets.
India Association of MN iamn.org	\$60,000	Saint Paul	IAM Cultural Identity Program will empower the Asian-Indian community in Minnesota to build intercultural identity, amplify Asian Indian arts, culture, and heritage for benefit of all Minnesotans.
Iraqi and American Reconciliation Project reconciliationproject.org	\$19,750	Minneapolis	The Iraqi and American Reconciliation Project, members of the Iraqi Minnesotan community, and two partner institutions will work together to present two days of cultural activities and performances, honoring and celebrating Iraqi culture and each partner institution's respective culture.
Ka Joog kajoog.org/	\$140,000	Minneapolis	The project will offer songwriting and composition to Somali American youth enrolled in FANKA, our arts education program.
MacRostie Art Center macrostieartcenter.org	\$19,440	Grand Rapids	The Giinawind Creative Space is a new project by MacRostie Art Center. It is an expansion of MAC's role as a cultural center of the community and into an adjoining storefront.
May Lee-Yang lazyhmongwoman.com	\$10,000	Saint Paul	The project will produce two 30-minute episodes of Hmong Organization, a comedy web series about a Hmong nonprofit and the people who work there.
Mendota Mdewakanton Dakota Tribal Community mendotadakota.com/mn	\$19,700	Mendota	MMDTC's "Spark of Creativity" Dakota Humanities Revitalization Project will host five new distinct workshops focusing on traditional Dakota arts and culture.
Minnesota Prison Writing Workshop mnprisonwriting.org	\$8,500	Minneapolis	Advisory Councils (ACs) of experienced incarcerated writers at three state prisons - Lino Lakes, Faribault, and Stillwater - will determine what learning needs exist in their specific communities and design course offerings. Six 10-15-week courses will be taught, the first in-person classes since the onset of the pandemic.



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Minors minorsasia.org	\$67,000	St. Cloud	The project will create a series of Hmong language booklets, photographically illustrated, comprehensively exploring the refugee experience, with narratives written by elementary school language students, based on their interviews with family elders and impressions of the photos, and edited by their teachers and dual language coaches.
MN Zej Zog	\$70,000	New Hope	Making the Brooklyns Our Home is a project that will help Hmong people feel at home through Hmong arts, culture, and heritage in partnership with the City of Brooklyn Center and Brooklyn Park.
Native American Community Development Institute nacdi.org	\$80,000	Minneapolis	Storytelling is central to contemporary Native American life-ways. By amplifying Native authors, all Minnesotans will have access to literary works that connect the public to the vital and thriving Native American culture that Minnesota is rooted in. AMRA's Native Authors Program will create opportunity and placemaking for Native authors who are not given access to other workshops at more established writing programs.
New Arab American Theater Works newarabamericantheaterworks.org	\$19,000	Minneapolis	The project will share the tradition of Arabic drumming with community members and present this music to the Twin Cities in a series of outdoor concerts open to all and include audience talkbacks by local SWANA humanities scholars.
Oyate Hotanin oyatehotanin.org	\$80,000	Saint Paul	Buffalo Weavers: Connecting Land and People through Dakota Thought for Climate Rescue initiative will offer a range of programming activities (concerts, music and spoken word videos, healing circles, etc.) aimed at healing climate grief and working toward climate justice.
Pan Asian Arts Alliance panasianartsalliance.org	\$20,000	Minneapolis	Project Resonance will orchestrate new creations of music and dances to serve as a communication bridge across cultural/racial lines, to mitigate racial tensions between African and Asian communities, to illustrate the cross-cultural experience, and eventually promote Intercultural Harmony.
Penumbra Theatre penumbratheatre.org	\$25,000	Saint Paul	The project will implement racial healing methods led by artists in a performing arts, retreat, and learning space to develop new work and sustainability for social change.



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Planting People Growing Justice Leadership Institute ppgili.org	\$95,000	Saint Paul	Writing for Social Change project will equip African Americans to write their own stories as a manifestation of cultural resilience resulting in a lasting impact on MN's literary arts and multicultural education communities.
Ragamala Dance Company ragamaladance.org	\$25,000	Minneapolis	Mythology Makes Us: The Kannagi Festival will be a celebration of Tamil (Southeastern Indian) culture—an aspect of Indian culture not often featured in the U.S. Through dance, dialogue, film, and food, we connect past and present, and explore how immigrants can draw on our cultural archetypes to inform a better, more just, and more inclusive future.
Reviving the Islamic Sisterhood for Empowerment revivingsisterhood.org	\$150,000	Minneapolis	RISE has been reclaiming the Muslim woman's narrative through Muslim Heroines of Minnesota, this project will feature 35 stories shared as a book.
Rice County Neighbors United neighborsunitedofnorthfield.org	\$50,000	Northfield	This project will showcase the immigrant and refugee stories: lives, talents, culture and history beyond survival. This multimedia project will feature mural making, written stories, portraits, video and pictures.
Sadiq Ahmed	\$15,000	New Brighton	Building Home and Community in Minnesota is a film project that will focus on capturing untold stories and experiences by Somali community members and balancing to build a life while being an immigrant, black and Muslim.
SGU Veterans and Families of USA, Inc.	\$75,000	Saint Paul	The Secret War Preservation project will preserve, document, and record the last surviving stories of Hmong veterans and their widows from the CIA-backed clandestine operation in Laos from 1961-1975. The project will gather, preserve, and share the legacies of individuals; enriching the historical record and Hmong identity.
Shanaya Dungey thefoolishknowitall.com	\$20,000	Brooklyn Park	Shanaya Dungey aka The Foolish Know It All will facilitate an artistic and cultural heritage preservation pilot project with five to ten Minnesota-based descendants of enslaved African American ancestry to discover, collect, and document their family genealogy in a manner that is culturally relevant, preserves their family history, & honors their stories.



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Somali Community Resettlement Services somalcrs.org	\$90,000	Faribault	The Somali Language and Culture Classes project will honor and preserve Somali culture by first, connecting Somali youth to their rich cultural heritage through arts and language classes and second, by providing a class for others in the mainstream Minnesota community to learn about Somali language and culture.
Speaking Out speakingoutcollective.com	\$150,000	Minneapolis	Through the work of Dr. Mato Nunpa, a team of Indigenous scholars & community interviews, Speaking Out Collective will examine how mass murder, wholesale land theft, enslavement and extermination were justified and taught in schools.
Spirited Films LLC (Joua Lee Grande) joualeegrande.com	\$15,000	Minneapolis	Filmmaker Joua Lee Grande and her team will complete the documentary “Spirited”, host feedback sessions and develop an Impact Campaign that focuses on the film’s topic of Hmong shamanism, how it is changing in modern-day Minnesota, and how it exists alongside current issues.
Sprout MN sproutmn.com	\$8,500	Little Falls	Sprout’s Growers & Makers Marketplaces project will enable economic opportunities for farmers, artists and creatives, provides access to cultural activities, and increases arts access to the general public.
Strive Publishing strivepublishing.com	\$20,000	Robbinsdale	Strive Community Publishing: Black Joy Literary Clubs will empower voices from the Black community to rise above stereotypes, demographic disparities, and negative media portrayals by sharing authentic stories and power within the voices of everyday Black people.
Teatro del Pueblo teatrodepueblo.org	\$20,000	Saint Paul	To mark our 30th anniversary, Teatro del Pueblo will produce a new LatinX adaptation of Shakespeare’s Romeo & Juliet, titled Love in the Time of Hate.
Thai Cultural Council of MN thaiculturemn.us	\$20,000	St. Louis Park	The Thai Cultural Council will host Songkran, or Thai New Year, at the Minnesota State Capitol. Songkran is an important festival in Thai culture as it symbolizes moving into the new year with community, family, and elders.



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The SEAD Project theseadproject.org	\$90,000	Minneapolis	This project will document first-person stories from elders in Hmong, Viet, Khmer, and Lao communities on topics related to immigration, childhood, homelands, and tradition, which will be illustrated by emerging community artists for publication and distribution.
The Witness Project	\$9,950	Minneapolis	We Are is a collaborative arts project that will capture in literary reflections and visual art the Northside community’s experiences of recent socially-impacting events.
Unite Cloud unitecloud.org	\$63,000	St. Cloud	Unite Cloud will join with Farhiya Iman to host 12 Intro to Somali Language and Culture sessions and nine Advanced classes.
United Family Practice Health Center dba United Family Medicine unitedfamilymedicine.org	\$70,000	Saint Paul	United Family Medicine, a Federally Qualified Health Center, will hire local community artists to create culturally-relevant artwork for our diverse clinic population.
United Senior Lao-American Association (USLAA)	\$20,000	Elk River	The Cultural Patrimony project will promote and capture values to create pride in Lao culture and identity, as well as create awareness of morality to the community through a series of events and festivals.
Urban Farm & Garden Alliance urbanfarmandgardenalliance.org	\$30,000	Saint Paul	A year-long series of gatherings in Rondo’s community garden provides space to share cultural memory, empowering Rondo residents to imagine new futures through place-based revitalization in line with Rondo’s racial and community histories.
Walker West Music Academy walkerwest.org	\$145,000	Saint Paul	Walker West Music Academy’s Amazing Grace Chorus for Elders project, a unique receptacle of Black cultural heritage and a wealth of lived MN Black experience, will capture and share rich experiences and memories of those aging keepers of an important part of Black culture.



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(Neo)Muralismos de México	\$60,913	Saint Paul	NMM will lead and coordinate five community-engaged muralism and public art projects that will uplift cultural heritage around the state, including projects in the Twin Cities, Duluth, Red Wing, and Austin, MN.
826 MSP 826msp.org	\$21,200	Minneapolis	826 MSP will offer “Identity Exploration through Poetry Field Trips” for primarily-BIPOC Twin Cities youth in grades 1-2. Students will work with mentor texts from BIPOC poets, write their own pieces, and leave as published poets.
Adrian Holliday	\$20,000	Brooklyn Park	Holliday Outdoor and Fishing Fundamentals Camp is a Black/BIPOC led project that will share outdoor and fishing fundamentals for Black, BIPOC and underserved youth through mini camps. Mini camps will teach outdoor education and safety, nature explorations, and provide an intro to learning how to fish for local kids.
Alondra Cano	\$20,000	Minneapolis	Musica Mexicana project is a collective of young people - comprised of the young Latinx leaders of the Dos Coronas, Elegancia LR, and Alto Designo bands (traditional Norteño, Ranchera, Tejano, and Banda music) – who will design and develop a Mexican music education program to engage Latinx elementary and high school students in learning, practicing, and reimagining Mexican traditional music.
Ana Munro	\$20,000	Edina	GCST 1970 Environmental Justice and Nature Immersion project for college and high school students, in partnership with the YMCA and Three Rivers Park District, will offer students immersive experiences to learn about their cultural heritage and connection to the land by learning in and from nature, each other, and local tribal elders and artists.



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APIA MN Film Collective apiamnfilm.com	\$20,000	Savage	The Asian American Short Film Project will be a series of workshops on how to create a five-minute narrative or documentary short film culminating in a public event showcasing works-in-progress.
Arcata Press dba Saint Paul Almanac saintpaulalmanac.org	\$35,000	Saint Paul	Page to Publishing project will grow former Community Editors program from 12 sessions of compressed writing and editing skill building, to a comprehensive 20-session literary arts pathway for BIPOC artists.
Art from the Inside MN artfromtheinsidemn.org	\$74,400.00	Maplewood	AFTI will expand its reach and impact into more state correctional facilities and incorporate culturally-sustaining arts programming both inside and outside the walls of confinement.
Artistry. Honesty. Healing. Action (AHHA!) ahha-mn.art	\$19,260	Saint Paul	AHHA! - Healing the Breach will engage artists through a planning process that will empower them to present their creative visions of racial justice as a pedagogy that enriches secondary school curriculum.
Bois Forte Tribal Government boisforte.com	\$17,201	Nett Lake	Bois Forte Culture Preservation project will record elders as they tell the history of Bois Forte and teach of the clan system and identify families. The recordings will preserve their knowledge and language for future generation.
BrittFit50 Indigenous Health, Wellness and Cultural Arts	\$17,800	Minneapolis	This project will plan and design Health Wellness & Cultural Arts activities in Black Indigenous Communities through curated Cultural Community Festivals with an emphasis on Health Education and Cultural Workshops.
Bryan Thao Worra	\$20,000	Minneapolis	Laomerica 50 project will build capacity for poets to actively document and correct historical gaps in the Lao Minnesotan journey as we approach 50 years in the US.



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Capiusa capiusa.org	\$20,000	Brooklyn Center	This project will expand Twin Cities World Refugee Day (TCWRD) activities that bring local refugee artists to present unique creative elements of their cultures, specifically the Afghan and Ukrainian refugee communities that now call the Twin Cities their home.
Carmen Lucia Lincoln	\$39,745	Saint Paul	Movement as Language project will explore how dance can become a common language through community workshops and choreographic processes for people from different linguistic and cultural backgrounds, particularly Latinx, LGBTQ+, and disabled community members.
Center for Leadership and Neighborhood Engagement cne-mn.org	\$75,000	Minneapolis	Center for Leadership and Neighborhood Engagement - Cultural Heritage Education and Youth Organizing project will celebrate and honor creative cultural communication with youth through counter-storytelling, educating joint learning communities, and training cultural heritage organizers to educate and rejuvenate cultural identity in the community.
COMPAS, Inc. compas.org	\$47,000	Saint Paul	MN Teaching Artists from African, Indigenous, and/or Asian Heritages project will develop and deliver arts residencies that teach an art form with roots in their cultural heritage. Residencies will include learning the art form’s cultural context, artists from that culture who have influenced it, and creating the art form alongside the Teaching Artist.
Cow Tipping Press cowntippingpress.org	\$20,000	Minneapolis	Creative Writing by People of Color with Developmental Disabilities project will offer creative writing classes for six organizations serving people of color with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities in 2022-2023.



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East Side Freedom Library eastsidefreedomlibrary.org	\$20,000	Saint Paul	From Race to Relatives (FR2R), will design and host indoor house parties, outdoor block parties, performance, and art maker spaces on the Greater East Side and elsewhere in the city that feature room to groove, get creative, and learn about how to support community still feeling the social and economic effects of pandemic.
Farhia Omar	\$19,900	Minneapolis	Create a collection of 10 pieces of artwork exploring trauma and offer three workshops for adult audiences and youth 18 years and younger on the role of art in healing and storytelling.
Funny Asian Women Collective LLC (FAWK) fawkollective.com	\$20,000	Saint Paul	FAWK will host two live comedy shows that center Asian women-identified performers, their stories, and their truths.
Hmong 18 Council hmong18council.org	\$18,000	Saint Paul	Honor the Past, Preserve the Future: Hmong 18 Clans Custom and Cultural Preservation project, will preserve the history, traditional, and changing lives of the Hmong Minnesotans.
Hmong Archives hmongarchives.org	\$12,000	Saint Paul	Colors of the North: Preserving Hmong Minnesota Heritage and Paj Ntaub in a Holiday Coloring Book project will provide education for student outreach on cultural diversity and celebration that empower the younger generation in building identity and culture within this ever changing and assimilating world.
Hmong Cultural Center hmongcc.org	\$75,000	Saint Paul	The New HCC Storefront Museum Implementation project will involve the development of a guided tour app & new curriculum for school groups based on MN's K-12 standards.
In Black Ink inblackink.org	\$67,050	Saint Paul	Humanities Place-Making for a Thriving Community project will support new, community-focused programming that expands current work, and explores community desire for a future gathering space magnetized around the humanities.



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Iyana Galloway	\$20,000	Brooklyn Park	Grandma's Hands project will be to emulate the African American documentary "High On The Hog" off of Netflix, however, this project will be led by youth. They will be learning their African American heritage through the historical backgrounds of Cuisine and Culture.
Jena Holliday	\$20,000	Brooklyn Park	Created to Be Arts is a Black/BIPOC led creative art program that will offer workshops for youth and families.
Ka Zoua Xiong	\$20,000	Brooklyn Center	The Step Into Your Light project will work with non-English speaking Hmong women elders to give them an opportunity to explore cultural dances they wouldn't have access to nor find a reason to try something new.
Kairos Alive! kairosalive.org	\$49,933	Minneapolis	The Kairos Alive! Cultural Wisdom Immersion and Sharing project collaborates with Centro Tyrone Guzman, Augustana Open Circle, Walker West Music Academy and outstate Developmental Achievement Centers to explore and exchange joyful cultural meaning through music, dance, song and story via two-way Zoom webcast.
Karina Kelton	\$20,000	Lake Elmo	A group of 16 Latino youth ages 10-12 will meet bi-weekly to explore a cultural curriculum developed in collaboration with educators, artists, community members, and the youth themselves.
Lajune Thomas Lange International Leadership Institute internationalleadership.org	\$70,000	Minneapolis	On May 20, 1863 in St Louis, Missouri the Union Army Special Agent of Contrabands sent 218 African Descendant persons to Ft Snelling on the Steamboat Davenport. The Steamboat Northerner towed a raft to Ft Snelling arriving on May 5, 1863. This project seeks to document the resettlement at Ft Snelling and how this group and Black Civil War Veterans changed the course of history in Minnesota by succeeding in amending the state Constitution to grant citizenship to African American men in 1869.



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Lao Culture Dance and Traditional Fashion Show	\$20,000	St. Paul Park	Lao Culture Dance & Traditional Fashion Show will implement training for youth through a new leadership program. The focus is on teaching students by passing on the skills and knowledge of traditional performing art to young generations to continue the tradition.
LatinoLEAD latinoleadm.n.org	\$75,000	Saint Paul	LatinoLEAD’s new Avanzando Liderazgo Program (ALP) will use a culturally specific interdisciplinary approach to prepare emerging and established Latinx leaders to take on influential positions across sectors so they can advance equity for our community.
Lazy Hmong Woman Productions lazyhmongwoman.com	\$20,000	Saint Paul	Filmmakers Kazua Melissa Vang, Yeej Moua, and May Lee-Yang will complete a documentary that look at how the pandemic transformed the way the Twin Cities Hmong community say goodbye to the dead.
Lower Phalen Creek Project lowerphalencreek.org	\$75,000	Saint Paul	Wakan Tipi Center Exhibit Pre-Production project will support the production of permanent exhibits at Wakan Tipi Center, a Dakota cultural and environmental interpretive center honoring Wakan Tipi cave, a sacred Dakota place.
Lupe Castillo	\$16,015.00	Minneapolis	HeartSpeaks: Voices of Cultura Writing Circles project founder and Cultural Worker/Poet/Artist will facilitate the gatherings with writing guidance, at the mural site creating a multi-dimensional experience for participants, artists, and the work of art.
Many Faces of the White Bear Lake Area manyfaceswblarea.org	\$19,714	White Bear Lake	Many Faces of the White Bear Lake Area, a collaboration of 21 organizations, will sponsor a Powwow in spring 2023 to honor American Indian students and provide the larger community the opportunity to participate in this traditional cultural event.



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Mariana Morgan-Sawyer	\$15,000	Saint Paul	Cultural Harvest in Rondo project is a series of intergenerational events held in the Rondo community allowing folks to come together to share cultural experiences with food, herbs, planting and growing.
Minnesota Museum of American Art mmaa.org	\$75,000	Saint Paul	Native Arts Partnership Council at the M project will create a Native Arts Partnership Council to guide the expansion of Native Arts Initiatives at The M. Consisting of key Indigenous artists, elders, and educators, the group of 7-10 individuals will represent the diverse tribes and tribal demographics of the region.
Minnesota Prison Writing Workshop mnprisonwriting.org	\$75,000	Minneapolis	MPWW will undertake a significant programming expansion: a public art project featuring the written work of incarcerated writers, adapted into large-scale window decals installed in prominent public places, accompanying audio/video pieces made in collaboration between those writers and local artists, and a handbook intended to facilitate community discussion about the intersection of art and incarceration.
Minnesota Vietnamese Language School vietngumn.org	\$15,150	Lake Elmo	Vietnamese Heritage and Legacy Connections project will promote and preserve Vietnamese culture through the use of traditional Lunar New Year celebration which includes storytelling, music and dance.
Mizna mizna.org	\$30,000	Saint Paul	Mizna, the journal of Arab/Southwest Asian & North African (SWANA) literature and visual art, will produce a special Black Takeover issue. A Black team will take the journal through the full production process, led by guest editor Safia Elhillo, the acclaimed Sudanese American poet.



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More Than A Single Story morethanasinglestory.com	\$74,300	Saint Paul	More Than A Single Story responds to multiple requests for support in dealing with personal and cultural trauma with the conference “Black Writers Healing Black Writers” (working title). In times of great stress, artists go to their creativity to heal. This project brings that opportunity to Black writers who are reeling from continuing violence that impacts their communities.
Naomi Ko konaomi.com	\$20,000	Savage	“The 20-Year Curse” is a multi-media live performance and documentary film project that explores the stories surrounding Naomi and the Ko Family curse, and the Korean American community in Minnesota.
Native Skywatchers nativeskywatchers.com	\$9,750	Maple Grove	We Are Stardust, Indigenous Science-Art-Culture Workshop & Club Activities for Special-Needs Youth project will plan and implement programming suitable for indigenous and non-indigenous special-needs youth, that allows for an enriching experience that values indigenous culture and affords engaging and creative ways for learning and personal growth.
New Arab American Theater Works newarabamericantheaterworks.org	\$19,750	Minneapolis	Playwright Showcase project will be a public showcase of new work by eight Arab and Muslim playwrights in the Spring of 2023 following a six-month intensive collaborative writing series in which the participants have met and workshopped their plays.



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Ocho Bajos	\$20,000	Minneapolis	Musical Memories of 27th and E.Lake: Festive Ritual Traditions of Diasporic Migrants project will include multilingual research, oral history collection, print publications, video documentary, and community round tables regarding the history of culturally-diverse Latin American immigrant diaspora festive traditions held at 27th Ave. and E. Lake St. in south Minneapolis. These Mexican music venues of El Nuevo Rodeo and Vannandy were a vibrant social context for culturally-diverse festive ritual traditions and socialization in a South Side cultural and commercial crossroads.
Pangea World Theater pangeaworldtheater.org	\$20,000	Minneapolis	Pangea World Theater is launching a new institute that brings social practice and community-based artists together to utilize Placemaking/Placekeeping projects that center Indigenous, Black and Immigrant knowledge and cultural approaches to transforming Minneapolis and our shared world.
Peng Nelson	\$19,173	Plymouth	Heart Artist-Gaohong Bilingual (English and Mandarin) Picture Book project is an interactive writing process with educators and students in Chinese immersion schools to develop a picture book about the life and experiences of Gahong, a Pipa artist and educator in Minnesota.
Philando Castile Peace Garden philandocastile-peacegarden.org	\$60,000	Saint Paul	A web-based exhibit that expands the current work of the Philando Castile Peace Garden, including contemporary knowledge of racial history, community trauma, and the role of art, peace, grief, and healing in the wake of police violence.
Pillsbury United Communities pillsburyunited.org	\$34,197	Minneapolis	Stories & Narratives of Lake Street is a collective hxstory and youth-lead project focused on Lake Street in South Minneapolis, documenting narratives that currently exist, but are not uplifted, along with the impact of Lake Street on/of BIPOC and underrepresented groups along this notable corridor, involving both Public and Oral Hxstory.



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Red Wing Arts redwingarts.org	\$75,000	Red Wing	Red Wing Arts will facilitate a collaboration beginning the process of healing the historical trauma that divides the Dakota and Red Wing residents. A mural designed by tribal members will be installed in downtown Red Wing will symbolize his initiative.
Somali American Social Service Association sassamn.org	\$40,000	Rochester	SASSA Cultural Heritage and Community Identity project will inform and teach fellow neighbors about the Somali culture through speakers, multimedia, tv programming, and print.
Somali Museum of Minnesota somalimuseum.org	\$75,000	Minneapolis	A series of programs for Somali and non-Somali audiences for public viewing and education. All programs will amplify, celebrate, and preserve Somali culture and will include activities such as artist talks, demonstrations, dance performances, exhibitions, and poetry readings.
Somali Youth and Family Development Center solfam.org	\$60,000	Minneapolis	SOLFAM will launch a Somali language YouTube channel and Somali Cooking Classes to educate the Somali diaspora, particularly Somali women living in Minnesota, about culture and critical resources, and to empower them to engage with and share their cultural heritage.
Soomaal House of Art soomaalhouse.com	\$73,400	Minneapolis	Soomaal House of Art (Soomaal) will offer an art residency project focused on supporting four contemporary Somali-American artists to create new work for a culminating exhibition.
TaikoArts Midwest taikoartsmidwest.org	\$75,000	Minneapolis	Community Taiko for BIPOC and LGBTQIA+ Youth project of will offer healing, empowering, and community building benefits of taiko drumming to BIPOC, LGBTQIA+, and homeless youth communities in Minneapolis.
Telling Queer History tellingqueerhistory.com	\$26,300	Minneapolis	Preparing and Sharing Telling Queer History's Audio Archives project will include transcribing, cataloging, and providing public access to a rich collection of stories for a wider audience, including those unable to attend past programs and researchers.



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The Hmong Museum hmongmuseummn.org	\$75,000	Saint Paul	Hmong Museum will develop and streamline its online educational offerings through a series of online web exhibitions, collections, and enhanced curriculum.
The Urban Village theurbanvillage.org	\$75,000	Saint Paul	The Urban Village will create a collaborative learning program where participants will have an opportunity to connect and explore their identity and heritage. Youth will be empowered to drive the development of the first ever Karen and Karenni history archive.
Threads Dance Project threadsdance.org	\$11,000	Minneapolis	Youth Dance project will innovate dance education by welcoming aspiring BIPOC dancers who struggle to find affirming and culturally sustaining spaces to study dance through a pre-professional dance training program for youth ages 12-16.