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Central MN Arts Board Awards Artist In Residency Grant to Sartell High School

The Central Minnesota Arts Board (CMAB) awarded \$3,000 in Arts Legacy funds to Sartell High School for an Artist In Residency.

Artist in Residencies (AIR) are designed to enhance education through the arts with supportive grants to schools and nonprofit organizations. The intention of any residency proposal must be to increase interaction between students, community members and professional artists.

Artist Melissa Gohman will conduct a Mosaic residency with 9-12 grade students. Activities will include a historical overview of Mosaic art and Geometric tile in Islamic and Spanish Art, materials safety, a personal project and the designing and installation of a large group mosaic. Students will create a video journal of the project from start to finish to document the production of the public art that will be installed on an existing cement pillar located at the entrance to the school.

The Central Minnesota Arts Board supports collaborative and innovative arts opportunities through partnerships and financial investments in Benton, Sherburne, Stearns, and Wright counties as one of eleven Regional Arts Councils designated by the Minnesota State Arts Board. We work with community partners to increase access to the unique cultural assets of Minnesota.

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