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Central MN Arts Board Awards Arts Legacy funds for Artist In Residencies

At their December 10th meeting, the Central Minnesota Arts Board (CMAB) awarded \$10,500 in Arts Legacy funds to three area organizations for Artists Residencies.

The Artist in Residency (AIR) program is 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.

1. **Anna Marie's Alliance**, \$3,500, for visual Artist Jennifer Hill to work with the women and children of Anna Marie's Alliance teaching acrylic painting techniques in a variety of themes during 90-minute sessions from fifteen weeks from January to April, 2016.
2. **Foley High School**, \$3,500, where artists Heidi Jeub and Barbara Cox will lead the Foley High School Tessellations TEAM that consists of 79 math, applied tech and art students in grades 9-12 in turning tessellation designs into vector art and ultimately fabricated sheet metal artifacts for display at school and home with one design selected for public display on campus.
3. **Talahi Community School**, \$3,500, to bring Prairie Fire Children's Theater to lead 75 children through the production of The Wizard of Oz, including acting and creating costumes and scenery February 29 through March 5, 2016 at Talahi Community 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. The CMAB works with community partners to increase access to the unique cultural assets of Minnesota.

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