

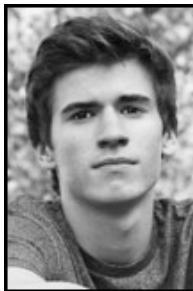
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## **CMAB Awards Twelve Student Arts Scholarships**

At the April 14, 2016 meeting, The Central Minnesota Arts Board (CMAB) awarded Arts Scholarships to twelve students totaling \$18,000. The Student Arts Scholarship Program is designed to support students entering or enrolled in an accredited institution and who are pursuing undergraduate degrees in the arts. Individuals are eligible to receive up to four Student Arts Scholarships in a lifetime.

Applicants submit up to five art samples and three references along with answers to a set of questions. A panel of volunteer artists, arts professionals and educators evaluate each applicant according to established criteria. The CMAB directors received the recommendation from the panel and awarded funding in rank order.

**The CMAB Student Arts Scholarship Grant recipients are:**



**RYAN ALBRECHT**

St. Michael, MN

**\$1,500 Student Art Scholarship**

Photography and  
Digital Art at Minneapolis  
College of Art and Design



**CHRISTOPHER BREWER**

St. Michael, MN

**\$1,500 Student Art Scholarship**

Video Game Design  
and Development at University  
of Wisconsin-Stout



**GABRIELLE CORDES**

Buffalo, MN

**\$1,500 Student Art Scholarship**

Arts Education and  
Studio Arts at University of  
Wisconsin, Madison

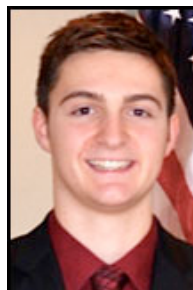


**EMMA CRANE**

Elk River, MN

**\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship**

Vocal Music Education at  
University of St. Thomas, St. Paul

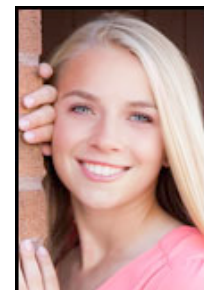


**AARON EVANS**

Sartell, MN

**\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship**

Industrial Design at  
Iowa State University



**ELLIE MANDERFELD**

Sauk Rapids, MN

**\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship**

Fine Arts and Business at  
North Park University, Chicago

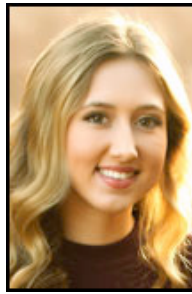


**NICOLE MEYER**

St. Michael, MN

**\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship**

Fine Arts and Theater at Gustavus  
Adolphus College



**CLAIRE MILLER**

St. Cloud, MN

**\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship**

Fine Arts at Laguna College  
of Art and Design



**JONATHAN MILLER**

Buffalo, MN

**\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship**

Music Education with an emphasis  
on choral conducting at University  
of Northwestern-St. Paul.



**JESSICA RADANAVONG**

Albertville, MN

**\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship**

Photography at Minneapolis  
College of Art & Design



**DAVID THOMPSON**

St. Cloud, MN

**\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship**

Instrumental Music Education and  
Oboe Performance at St. Cloud  
State University



**MICHAEL WEGTER**

Buffalo, MN

**\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship**

Music at St. Olaf College

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.

For more information about the Central MN Arts Board grant opportunities and services go to [www.centralmnartsboard.org](http://www.centralmnartsboard.org) or call the office at 320-968-4290 or toll free at 1-866-345-7140. For print resolution photos of students, contact Melissa at [media@centralmnartsboard.org](mailto:media@centralmnartsboard.org), 320-968-4290 ext. 4.