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## **The Central Minnesota Arts Board awards Public Art Grants to three organizations**

At their May 11, 2017 meeting, the Central MN Arts Board (CMAB) awarded \$30,000 in Public Art Grants to three area organizations.

The CMAB Public Art Grant program provides funds for the completion of well-planned works of public art that are accessible to the general public and supported by the community. An organization must provide a minimum of 20% in matching funds. Public Art Grant funds are provided through Minnesota's Arts & Culture Legacy Fund.

1. **Community Legacy Foundation**, \$10,000 for artist, Roger Reinardy to create and install a mural in the band shell located in Sinclair Lewis Park 501 Park Road, Sauk Centre, MN.
2. **Delano Area Council for Arts and Culture**, \$10,000, "Ascension" 11 ft. X 5 ft. sculpture formed into the shape of a rising flame designed specifically for the City of Delano by artist Willicey Tynes to be installed along Highway 12 between County 30 and Bridge Avenue in the City of Delano Sculpture Park.
3. **Paramount Center for the Arts**, \$10,000, Art Intersections: Sculpture Walk St. Cloud will showcase 12 NEW juried pieces of art to enhance the streetscape from Lake George through downtown St. Cloud to the Mississippi River for one year.

The Central Minnesota Arts Board (CMAB) strives to enhance appreciation of the essential economic and social roles the arts play in Benton, Sherburne, Stearns, and Wright counties by providing grants and professional development services to arts and community organizations, schools, government units and individuals.

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.