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CMAB Awards Eleven Student Arts Scholarships

At the April 13, 2017 meeting, The Central Minnesota Arts Board (CMAB) awarded Arts Scholarships to eleven students totaling \$16,500. The Student Arts Scholarship Program is designed to support individuals entering or enrolled in an accredited institution and who are pursuing undergraduate degrees in the arts. Applicants are eligible to receive up to four Student Arts Scholarships in a lifetime.

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 to applicants that scored the highest.

The CMAB Student Arts Scholarship Award recipients are (listed alphabetically by city):



GABRIELLE CORDES

Buffalo, MN

\$1,500 Student Art Scholarship

Arts Education/Studio Arts at
University of Wisconsin, Madison



MICHAEL WEGTER
Buffalo, MN
\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship
Music at St. Olaf College,
Northfield, MN



Buffalo, MN
\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship
Violin Performance
at Luther College, Iowa



JONATHAN MILLER

Buffalo, MN

\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship

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



CHRISTOPHER BREWER
St. Michael, MN
\$1,500 Student Art Scholarship
Video Game Design
and Development at University
of Wisconsin-Stout



NICOLE MEYER
St. Michael, MN
\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship
Fine Arts and Theater at Gustavus
Adolphus College, St. Peter, MN



EMMA CRANE
Elk River, MN
\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship
Vocal Music Education at
University of St. Thomas, St. Paul



KENNEDY STRAIN

Elk River, MN

\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship

Graphic Design at University of

Wisconsin, Madison



St. Cloud, MN

\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship
Fine Arts at Laguna College
of Art and Design, California



AARON EVANS
Sartell, MN
\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship
Industrial Design at
Iowa State University



ZOE ROGERS
Sauk Rapids, MN
\$1,500 Student Arts Scholarship
Fine Arts at University of
Minnesota, Minneapolis

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 or call 320-968-4290 or toll free at 1-866-345-7140. For print resolution photos of students, contact Melissa at media@centralmnartsboard.org, 320-968-4290 ext. 4.