Inspiration Grant Recipients 2010

Round 3 Recipients:

Gustavo Adolfo Aybar – ($500)
Funding for writer and poet Gustavo Adolfo Aybar will support for his Spanish language poetry show *Murios en mitad de un verso* (He died ‘Tween a Verse). The event will be interdisciplinary and showcase the text with use of music, dance and media components, all created by other local artists. The show is expected to take place in June of 2011.

Nedra Bonds – ($1,144)
Fiber artist Nedra Bonds will receive funding to conduct 2 quilting workshops at UMKC. Participants will create two 12” x 12” quilt squares with women’s history themes, one to keep and the other to become part of a collective quilt to be shown during the 2011-2012 academic year at UMKC for the Women’s Center 40th anniversary. Funding will pay for the cost of supplies and to keep the participant fees affordable.

Jeffrey Crowe – ($1,125)
Initially a sculptor, Jeffrey Crowe has shifted his focus to combining photography with kiln formed glass, and some of these pieces have been exhibited both locally and nationally. A grant from the ArtsKC Fund will be used to help him to attend a photography portfolio review conference in Portland, Oregon.

Diana Heise – ($500)
The funds will be used to produce 3 works at Diana Heise’s solo show at Review Studios in the spring of 2011. The works include an environmentally-themed sculpture and performance piece, a group of sculptures that use sound and living plants to promote non-violence, and a suite of video works created in response to physical and psychological violence.

Adam Long – ($850)
Photographer Adam Long will purchase an Epson V750 scanner and a fluid mount accessory adapter in order to produce a new body of work shot at the Osage River Bridge construction. He is scheduled to exhibit this work in multiple locations beginning in the early part of 2011.

Elaina Wendt Michalski – ($600)
Visual artist Elaina Wendt Michalski creates life size figurative sculptures and presents them in unique environments. Funds granted will assist her in setting up an in-house studio, specifically with the purchase of proper kiln wiring and ventilation, so that she can begin to use a donated kiln and increase her capacity for completing large-scale works.

Eugenia Ortiz – ($500)
An MFA student at KU, mixed media and fiber Eugenia Ortiz will receive funds to help her complete a massive installation piece for her thesis solo exhibition. Funds will specifically be used to rent a work platform for installation of the multi-story piece and to help with the cost of supplies and materials.

Linda Rodriguez – ($1,000)
Funds for this project by poet Linda Rodriguez will support travel for research to Tahlequah, Oklahoma to continue work on her new volume of works, *Dark Sister*. The book is inspired by Linda’s grandmother, a Cherokee Indian, and her mixed race ancestry. Linda will visit the Cherokee Nation capital, its museum, history and heritage venue and the local university library that specializes in tribal history.

Round 2 Recipients:

Bowie Croisant – ($500)
Daniel Eichenbaum – ($1,000)
Meagan Flynn – ($1,000)
Jane Gotch – ($1,000)
Mauricio Salguero -- ($500)
Craig Subler -- ($500)
Adam Lee Thompson -- ($1,000)
Heinrich Toh -- ($750)
Jaimie Warren -- ($500)

Round 1 Recipients:

Cheryl Eve Acosta -- ($1,000)
Bob Brock -- ($500)
Lisa Cordes -- ($500)
Maria Creyts -- ($750)
Cat Johnson -- ($500)
Frankie Krainz & Seth Golay -- ($1,000)
Marisa MacKay -- ($750)
Erica Mahinay -- ($750)
Marilyn Mahoney -- ($500)
May Tveit -- ($1,000)