



## Ten Local Artists Receive Inspiration Grants totaling over \$20,000 from ArtsKC

**Kansas City, MO** (November 25, 2019) - ArtsKC - Regional Arts Council announces that 10 local individual artists have been awarded grants through the first round of our Inspiration Grants.

We are proud to support the following artists:

[Anita Easterwood](#) – *My Interpretation of Life Through Art*

[Susan Ferguson](#) – *Inside Out - A solo exhibit of woven wall hangings*

[Maura Garcia](#) – *b DhØh They Are Still Talking*

Nicole Greenberg – *Creative Stories from Page to Stage*

[NuBlvckCity](#) – *Spring 2020 Promo Tour*

[Melinda Hedgecorth](#) – *Multiple levels and sounds portable stage*

[Electrosexual](#) – *For Your Eyes Only*

[Scott Myers](#) – *Stealing Kandinsky: A Case From the Stolen Art Files (Stage Play)*

[Jade Osborne](#) – *Precipice*

[Hadiza.](#) – *Shadow Weight Album Project & Artist Community Engagement*

ArtsKC President and CEO, Dana Knapp, stated, "ArtsKC is proud to help expand these artists' projects and elevate their work for our greater community to experience the diverse and expert talent that surrounds us. The artists selected in this round presented robust applications, and our committee was very impressed by their skill, vision, and breadth of work." Learn more about the artists and their projects [on our website](#).

Visual, music, theatre, literary, dance and interdisciplinary projects are the primary focus of the work these grantees are doing. A committee of local community members, led by ArtsKC board member Dr. Derald Davis, reviewed submissions and made selections based on the artists' application materials.

This latest round of Inspiration grants brings ArtsKC's annual investment in our community to almost \$200,000 via organization and individual artist grants.

Applications are now open for round two of Inspiration grants, and interested applicants should submit their [preliminary applications](#) by February 7, 2020.

Learn more about ArtsKC's [grant programs](#).

### **About the ArtsKC – Regional Arts Council:**

ArtsKC is a regional nonprofit arts council that promotes, supports and advocates for the arts across a five-county region. We promote the arts for their individual, community and economic benefits, and we create initiatives that drive audience engagement in the arts. We provide arts organizations, artists, and arts programs with professional support and investment, including grants that we award annually. We serve as the voice of the arts regionally by building relationships with government officials and advocating for the development of public funding, all in support of the arts as an economic and social driver. Please visit [www.ArtsKC.org](http://www.ArtsKC.org) for more information and visit [www.artskcgo.com](http://www.artskcgo.com), a local arts and cultural events calendar brought to you by ArtsKC.

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