

MCACA MINIGRANTS: Round 1 2018 FUNDING PLAN

Professional or Organizational Development

Jane Reiter

Project: I wish to study with Rosalie Dace, an international quilt artist. Ms. Dace is teaching an Independent Study workshop at the Quilt Surface Design Symposium 2018, Columbus, Ohio. Attending the workshop is an extraordinary chance since I can drive to Columbus to study with Ms. Dace, who lives in South Africa. Participating in Independent Study is an opportunity for learned tutelage and expert guidance to push myself to create a new body of artwork. In this rich, supportive environment of vibrant imagination I will significantly enhance my artistic development and creative growth.

Award: \$600

Lansing Art Gallery

Project: Lansing Art Gallery & Education Center seeks support for strategic planning with senior consultant and returning specialist Rory Neuner. Activities will include a survey of stakeholders, interviews, and a facilitated strategic planning session. This will improve the organization by engaging stakeholders to review the current strategic plan, celebrate accomplishments, and develop a better understanding of tactical issues facing the organization. Ultimately, outcomes will include the creation of a 3 - 5 year action plan detailing steps toward success.

Award: \$1,500

The Lansing Womens Chorus - Sistrum

Project: Sistrum, Lansing's Women's Chorus, rooted in a feminist lesbian tradition, will work with a consultant to increase our diversity and build ties to communities of color to more fully represent Lansing-area women. Together, we will collect information on barriers, develop a plan to facilitate board and full chorus dialogue, ideas, and learning, and create a strategic action plan to change the chorus narrative of what we represent for Lansing women, broaden understanding of systemic privilege among our members, and expand choral options for local women of all races and ethnicities.

Award: \$1,500

Total 2018 Professional or Organizational Development Awards: \$3,600