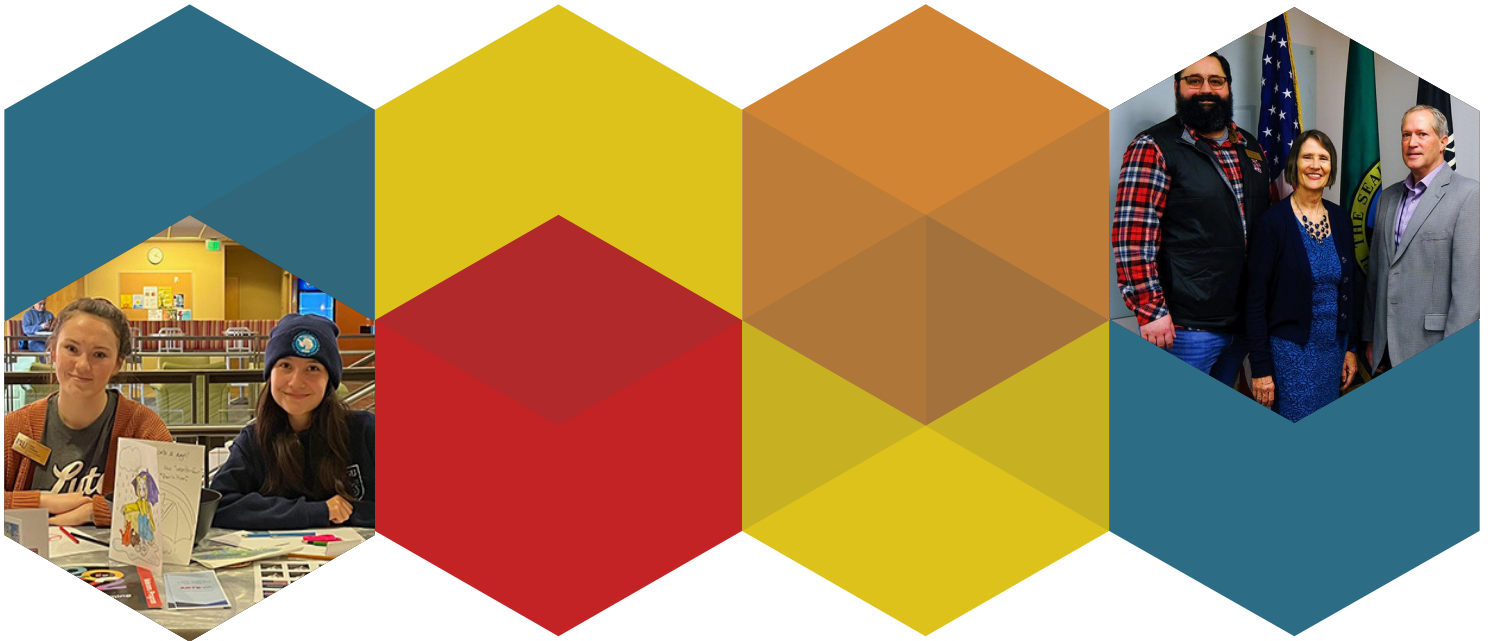


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BOARD MEETING | March 23, 2023 | Virtual
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. March 23, 2023



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Images, L-R: Kara Atkinson & Gabriella Smith at the PLU card writing event for deployed soldiers overseas. Photo courtesy of Gabriella Smith. Bryan Bales (Wellness, Arts, and the Military Program Manager, ArtsWA), Karen Hanan (Executive Director, ArtsWA), and Dan Murray (State Homes Operations Director, Washington Department of Veterans Affairs). Photo courtesy Washington Department of Veterans Affairs.



Board Meeting agenda

Washington State Arts Commission

Wednesday, March 23, 2023 / virtual

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- 10:00 a.m. **CALL TO ORDER:** Justin Raffa, Chair
- Land Acknowledgement: Robin Avni, ArtsWA Commissioner
 - Roll Call
 - Approve agenda
 - Rules for public comment
- 10:10 a.m. **Wellness, Arts & the Military (WAM):** Bryan Bales, WAM Program Manager
- Ratify Self-directed Art Practice grant panel recommendations – pp. 2–6
 - Approve General Operating Support grant panel recommendations – pp. 7–9
- 10:30 a.m. **Public Comment, if applicable:** Justin Raffa
- 10:35 p.m. **Adjourn**

Important dates

- **May 2:** ArtsWA Quarterly Board Meeting from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Wellness, Arts, and the Military

Wellness, Arts, and the Military Self-directed Art Practice Grant Program Background

This grant supports U.S. military-connected individuals. SAP grant funds help you find your voice and pursue personal growth through the arts. Research shows the benefits of a committed arts practice. They help military-connected individuals transition to civilian life by promoting independence and creativity. They also relieve stress and anxiety.

The SAP Grant provides a one-time grant to pay for costs associated with taking time (up to four weeks) to practice art.

FY23 SAP Grants support project dates between March 1, 2023, and June 30, 2023. Funded projects must take place in Washington State.

Funding amounts

- Grants up to \$5,000
- No funding match required

Eligibility:

- a U.S. military active-duty service member, guardsman, reservist, or veteran
- a spouse or registered domestic partner of a U.S. military active-duty service member, guardsman, reservist, or veteran
- a child (at least 18 years old) of a U.S. military active-duty service member, guardsman, reservist, or veteran
- be a current Washington State resident
- be pursuing an art practice (Visual arts, literary arts, dance, music, theater, media arts*, traditional/folk arts)

FY23 Self-directed Art Program recommendations

February 2023

A total of 85 applications were submitted for review during the application period (12/19/2022 – 01/31/2023). The panel recommended 71 of the 85 applications for funding in March 2023.

On February 24, 2023, the Washington State Arts Commission Executive Director approved the panel's recommendation for funding totaling \$307,286.

Recommendation

That the Board ratify the Executive Director's decision to approve the panel's recommendation for FY 2023 Self-directed Art Practice Grants as provided in the packet.

Submitted by:

Bryan Bales
Wellness, Arts, and the Military, Program Manager
March 10, 2023

Wellness, Arts, and the Military

Self-directed Art Practice grant recommendations for funding

Per WAC 30-12-015, recommendations not to exceed \$5,000 can be approved by the Executive Director and require ratification by the Board before they are official. Direct any public inquiries to staff.

Please review this list per WAC 30-08-090 for any conflicts of interest to be declared prior to voting on the motion at the Board meeting.

Recommended for Funding	County	Request	Recommendation
Kathleen Casper	Lewis	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
RaNaldo Shorter	King	\$ 4,425.00	\$ 4,425.00
Panya Lewis Cogburn	King	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
Thomas Roberts	Wahkiakum	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,850.00
Joseph Wankelman	Snohomish	\$ 4,991.00	\$ 4,991.00
John Obermuller	Pierce	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Juan C Valdez	Kitsap	\$ 4,675.00	\$ 4,675.00
Michael Hammons	Spokane	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 3,800.00
Jessica Cannon	Pierce	\$ 4,992.00	\$ 4,992.00
Donna Williamson	Pierce	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Tera Holman	Snohomish	\$ 4,875.00	\$ 4,875.00
Seth Maier	Stevens	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Patricia France	Pierce	\$ 4,856.00	\$ 4,856.00
David Johnson	Spokane	\$ 4,995.00	\$ 4,995.00
Natasha Terry	King	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
John Selzler	Pierce	\$ 4,950.00	\$ 4,950.00
Wesley Strait	Spokane	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Kay Feather	King	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Anna Sauseda	Spokane	\$ 4,210.00	\$ 3,410.00
Jacob Hinton	King	\$ 4,550.00	\$ 4,050.00

Recommended for Funding	County	Request	Recommendation
Demetrius Romero	Thurston	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Jared Heiden	Snohomish	\$ 4,997.00	\$ 4,997.00
Cassie Glaspey	Pierce	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 3,900.00
Judy Bailey	King	\$ 4,997.00	\$ 1,700.00
Michael Turner	Thurston	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Michelle Murray	Thurston	\$ 4,153.00	\$ 4,153.00
Michelle Love	Pierce	\$ 3,900.00	\$ 3,405.00
Yvonne Kunz	Thurston	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 3,900.00
Rebecca Mandelbaum	Whatcom	\$ 4,257.00	\$ 4,257.00
Ebony Warren	Pierce	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Thomas Borges	Spokane	\$ 2,680.00	\$ 2,465.00
Faalupe Altringer	Snohomish	\$ 2,985.00	\$ 1,932.00
Roxann Maier	Stevens	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Jen Alcala	Pierce	\$ 4,998.00	\$ 2,438.00
Brian Sanchez	King	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Jerry Brain	Pierce	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Daniel Elliott	Thurston	\$ 4,920.00	\$ 4,320.00
Don Wesley	Skagit	\$ 4,985.00	\$ 4,985.00
Susan Fetter	Clark	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 3,300.00
Mary Senter	Snohomish	\$ 4,797.00	\$ 4,797.00
Crystal Rendon	Thurston	\$ 4,051.00	\$ 4,051.00
Nailah Bulley	Kitsap	\$ 4,700.00	\$ 4,500.00
Peter Sessum	Snohomish	\$ 4,931.00	\$ 4,931.00
Mark Fox	King	\$ 4,962.00	\$ 4,962.00
Andrew King	King	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Danielle Holstine	Stevens	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Paul Pestinger	Thurston	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00

Recommended for Funding	County	Request	Recommendation
Weston Ruland	Stevens	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Kristine Iredale	Snohomish	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Reynolette Ettienne	Pierce	\$ 3,786.00	\$ 3,786.00
Jennika Cardenas	Pierce	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Amelia Rikstad	Thurston	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Brian Rikstad	Thurston	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Paul Votava	Spokane	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
James Doyle	Pierce	\$ 4,750.00	\$ 4,750.00
Trena Payton	Pierce	\$ 4,999.00	\$ 4,999.00
Kenya Shakoor	Pierce	\$ 4,375.00	\$ 4,375.00
Philip Rose	Stevens	\$ 4,997.00	\$ 4,997.00
Thomas Valentine	Pend Oreille	\$ 4,523.00	\$ 4,523.00
Saul Velez	King	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Charles Claybaker	Kitsap	\$ 4,390.00	\$ 4,390.00
Courtney Simmons	Spokane	\$ 3,130.00	\$ 3,130.00
Alexandre Noble	King	\$ 3,799.00	\$ 3,799.00
Anne Evenson	Whatcom	\$ 3,876.00	\$ 3,876.00
Jennifer Emswiler	Pierce	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,510.00
Jared Wood	Thurston	\$ 4,950.00	\$ 4,950.00
Debbie Lynn	Kitsap	\$ 3,310.00	\$ 3,310.00
Paige Huang	King	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Thomas McCalla	Whatcom	\$ 3,100.00	\$ 2,300.00
Nona Leigh Palmer	Snohomish	\$ 4,990.00	\$ 4,990.00
Christine Wisdom	King	\$ 4,739.00	\$ 4,739.00
Total Request		\$ 320,646.00	
Total Recommended			\$ 307,286.00

Self-directed Art Practice Plan Grant – Applications not recommended for funding

Not recommended for funding	County	Request
John Pestinger	Thurston	\$ 5,000.00
Melanie Watness	Thurston	\$ 5,000.00
Nicholas Wiley	Thurston	\$ 3,749.00
Derrick McAdoo	King	\$ 4,700.00
Rachael Androski	Pierce	\$ 5,000.00
Morgan Davis	King	\$ 5,000.00
Jerald Dougherty	Kittitas	\$ 3,200.00
Lisa Jones	Snohomish	\$ 5,000.00
Mindy Eastham	Spokane	\$ 4,700.00
Ray Jones	Snohomish	\$ 4,200.00
Kim Christensen	King	\$ 5,000.00
Amber Pestinger	Thurston	\$ 5,000.00
Justin Fajardo	Grays Harbor	\$ 4,929.00
Total non-funded request		\$ 60,478.00

Wellness, Arts, and the Military General Operating Support Grant Program Background

The WAM General Operating Support Grant provides up to \$75,000 to organizations that offer arts programs to military connected individuals and communities. For the purposes of this grant, "military connected individuals" is defined as U.S. military active-duty service members, guardsmen, reservists, veterans, and their families and caretakers. Research shows the benefits of a committed arts practice. They help military-connected individuals transition to civilian life by promoting independence and creativity. They also relieve stress and anxiety.

FY23 GOS Grants support project dates between February 1, 2023, and June 30, 2023. Funded projects must take place in Washington State.

Funding amounts

- Grants up to \$75,000
- No funding match required

Eligibility:

- Washington State non-profit organization with 501(c)(3) status
- Washington State tribal, state, or municipal government agency
- National non-profit organization with Washington State chapter(s), for example Veterans of Foreign Wars
- Washington State for-profit businesses who meet certain eligibility criteria

Who is not eligible to apply?

- Individuals
- Political or advocacy organizations
- Organizations seeking to fund projects or programs that promote religious content or observance

Additional eligibility requirements:

- minimum two years in continuous operation (organizations may have paused programming due to the pandemic but not ceased operations completely)
- minimum two years of arts programming for military connected individuals
- minimum of one professional staff person trained to work with military connected individuals in non-clinical settings
- minimum of one professional staff person with experience managing arts programs

FY23 General Operating Support Grant recommendations

March 2023

A total of 16 applications were submitted for review during the application period (01/09/2023 – 02/20/2023). One of the organizations – Washington Quilts for Valor Foundation – withdrew their application on February 6, 2023. The Panel recommended 14 of the 15 remaining applications for funding in March 2023 for a total of \$644,172.

Recommendation

That the Board approve the panel's recommendation for FY 2023 WAM General Operating Support Grants as provided in the packet.

Submitted by:

Bryan Bales
Wellness, Arts, and the Military, Program Manager
March 10, 2023

Wellness, Arts, and the Military

FY23 General Operating Support Grant recommendations for funding

Recommendations over \$5,000 require approval by the Board before they are official. Direct any public inquiries to staff.

Please review this list per WAC 30-08-090 for any conflicts of interest to be declared prior to voting on the motion at the Board meeting.

Organization	County	Request	Recommended
Black Bald Films	Clark	\$72,500	\$15,000
Path with Art	King	\$75,000	\$66,750
PawsWithCause	Snohomish	\$74,890	\$66,652
Friends of Lakewood	Pierce	\$75,000	\$66,750
Museum of Glass	Pierce	\$75,000	\$62,696
Ted Brown Music Outreach	Pierce	\$26,000	\$23,140
Allied Arts of Whatcom County	Whatcom	\$10,000	\$8,900
Seattle Opera	King	\$75,000	\$66,750
Eastern Washington State Historical Society	Spokane	\$50,000	\$44,500
Tacoma Arts Live	Pierce	\$61,733	\$54,577
Olympic Peninsula Alpaca Rescue	Clallam	\$39,227	\$34,690
Entertainment Recourse Alliance	King	\$52,000	\$46,280
Heroes Homestead	Stevens	\$52,300	\$46,547
Green Flag Foundation	Pierce	\$46,000	\$40,940
Total Request		\$784,650	
Total Recommended			\$644,172

General Operations Support – Applications not recommended for funding

Organization	County	Request
Olympia Lamplighters	Thurston	\$75,000
Total non-funded request		\$75,000