



## MRAC MISSION

The Metropolitan Regional Arts Council increases access to the arts in 7-county metropolitan area communities by providing information, organizational support and grants.

## MRAC VISION

We believe that the arts strengthen communities, and stimulate diversity of expression, communication, and commemoration of communities and cultures, and that all people should have opportunities to engage in the arts. Accordingly, MRAC's vision for the region is that:

- Artists, arts organizations, and arts activities thrive.
- Art is integrated into the social fabric and identity of every community.
- Public value of the arts is understood and acted upon by community members, leaders and policy makers.



## MRAC GOALS

- MRAC will provide grant applicants and other constituents with clear, thorough, prompt and respectful service and assistance.
- MRAC will maintain transparent decision-making processes, and accessible public information.
- MRAC's programs and services will reflect its Mission, and achieve its Vision.

## MRAC's SERVICE

The Metropolitan Regional Arts Council serves nonprofit arts organizations, informal arts groups, community education, and non-arts nonprofit organizations with annual operating expenses under \$400,000, and individual artists in Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington counties. This region includes urban, suburban, and rural communities. While the region comprises only 4% of the state's geography, its population is approximately 50% of the state's total.

As one of the 11 regional arts councils in Minnesota, MRAC's funding is derived primarily from appropriations from the Minnesota State Legislature with money from the State's general fund and Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund. MRAC also receives a generous grant from The McKnight Foundation.

## FY 2015 OVERVIEW

In FY 2015, MRAC received 838 applications and awarded 457 grants totaling \$3,214,221 to arts organizations and/or projects including the ADA Access Improvement Grants for Metro Arts



## Organizations.

These grants were funded by an appropriation from the Minnesota State Legislature with money from the State's general fund, and by the voters of Minnesota, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund.

MRAC also received 346 applications from individual artists in the Next Step Fund program and awarded 37 grants totaling \$180,450 with funds from The McKnight Foundation. MRAC also provided 14 arts management training sessions and 32 grant application workshops.

### GRANTS BY PROGRAMS in FY 2015\* (sorted by dollars awarded)

\*Does not include ineligible and withdrawn applications

Grant Programs	# Applications	# Awards	\$ Awarded	% Funded
Arts Activities Support (2 rounds)	291	143	\$1,390,985	49.1%
Community Arts (2 Rounds)	198	128	\$612,744	64.6%
Arts Learning (2 Rounds)	138	53	\$498,636	38.4%
VSA Grant (ADA Access)	N/A	1	\$220,000	N/A
Organizational Development	47	22	\$218,424	46.8%
Capital	46	25	\$204,935	54.3%
Next Step Fund (McKnight Funds)	346	37	\$180,450	10.7%
Management Consulting Fund	70	41	\$59,535	58.6%
Management Training Fund	46	42	\$8,087	91.3%
Emergency Accessibility	2	2	\$875	100%

### GRANTS BY COUNTY in FY 2015 (Not including Next Step Fund or VSA re-grants)

\*Community Arts grants are County of Activity; all others are County Affiliation

Counties	# Applications	\$ Requested	# Awards	\$ Awarded
Anoka	20	\$115,496	10	\$36,488
Carver	12	\$71,192	9	\$51,192
Dakota	42	\$307,109	27	\$185,049
Minneapolis	347	\$2,508,108	199	\$1,394,760
Saint Paul	207	\$1,397,392	105	\$680,811
Scott	7	\$41,439	4	\$14,239
Suburban Hennepin	87	\$614,371	55	\$358,151
Suburban Ramsey	47	\$302,784	32	\$193,597
Washington	27	\$182,642	15	\$79,934



## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

### Assets

Cash	\$ 356,396
Accounts Receivable	214,248
Prepaid Expenses	23,350
Permanently Restricted Cash	45,000
Property and Equipment – Net	7,051
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 646,045</b>

### Liabilities and Net Assets

#### Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	\$ 20,953
Accrued Vacation	9,955
Refundable Advance	16,461
Other Accrued Expenses	500
Grant Commitments Payable	182,549
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 230,418</b>

#### Net Assets

Unrestricted Undesignated	\$ 114,303
Unrestricted Designated	55,000
<b>Total Unrestricted Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 169,303</b>

Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	\$ 201,324
Permanently Restricted	45,000
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 415,627</b>

<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 646,045</b>
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## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

### Support and Revenue

Minnesota State Arts Board	\$ 839,271
Interest and Miscellaneous	68,440
Assets Released from Restrictions	3,224,091
<b>Total Support and Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 4,131,802</b>

### Expense

#### Program Services

Grant Services	\$ 3,886,180
Educational & Technical Assistance	109,049
<b>Total Program Services</b>	<b>\$ 3,995,229</b>

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Administration & Support Services \$ 136,573

**Total Expense \$ 4,131,802**