



**Rhode Island State Council on the Arts
2022 Fall Grantees**

Grantee	Program Summary	Amount Awarded	City/Town
Morgan Johnston	Led by local indie-folk singer-songwriter and board-certified Music Therapist, Morgan Johnston, this monthly support group will provide the opportunity for artists who typically create arts to also create support for each other. Held at a local arts venue, the group will meet for two hours on the second Sunday of the month and be free to artists of all levels of training and experience.	\$1,500	Barrington
Jayme Hennessy	Megan and Jayme Hennessy will lead a monthly meeting for those who are interested in learning to play the ukulele! These meetings will be scheduled for Thursday evenings at the Block Island Community Center and include instruction on chords, strumming patterns, and a chance to share songs and ideas with others. For ages 13- and up these meetings are free and open to the public.	\$613	Block Island
Friends of Linden Place	The Linden Place Writers' Residency is a free, month long, daytime only residency for creative writers wishing to interpret the museum's complicated history through a creative lens. It provides on-site workspaces, research support, a travel stipend, consults with a sensitivity reader, and writing events that are open to the community at large.	\$3,000	Bristol

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Stephan Brigidi	I am making portraits of people from diverse backgrounds including people identifying as LGBTQ+, immigrants-refugees, BIPOC community, people with disabilities, homeless people, and people like me- white privileged. It is a collaborative project where we participate together in word and iMake Art Grante. I am asking those I photograph to join with me, reacting with their own expressions of social justice.	\$3,000	Bristol
Progreso Latino Inc.	Progreso Latino has hired a local know Artist (AGONZA) to manage and facilitate a creative after-school program at Calcutt Middle School in Central Falls RI. AGONZA will use art to educate and embrace the student's cultural backgrounds and of their peers in a form of expression with a monthly bulletin board.	\$2,350	Central Falls
Alfonso Acevedo	Alfonso D. Acevedo will conduct free art workshops every Saturday 10am-1pm for Spring and part of Summer (March-June) at the Adams Memorial Library Central Falls, for youth ages of 5-20. Also, adults and family relatives participate as well. The program is an asset of the community of Blackstone Valley since 1995 with artistic instruction into visual arts, music, exhibits and field trips.	\$3,000	Central Falls
Coffee Milk Opera (F.S. Common Fence Point Improvement Association)	Coffee Milk Opera plans to hold performances of La Bohème free and open to the public at Roger Williams Park, Temple to Music in May 2023.	\$3,000	Cranston
Rebecca Ford	Rooted in Ford’s infatuation with 3D modeling and the endless ways files are brought into the physical world, Rebecca will experiment using CNCs to create molds to bring her complex textile structure-based form language to life. Through this, she will explore how her sculptural work can be pushed by using the repeatable, precise technology of the CNC combined with the unpredictability of ceramics.	\$3,000	Cumberland

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Boys and Girls Club of East Providence	The Boys and Girls Club of East Providence, in partnership with Martin Middle School, will perform their third theatrical production "Alice in Wonderland" in late May of 2023. Our performances will be free of charge and open to the public.	\$6,500	East Providence
Providence Singers	The Providence Singers will present two performances (March 11 and 12, 2023) of a concert that includes the Duruflé Requiem, Benjamin Britten's "Rejoice in the Lamb," and a recent work by Nkeiru Okoye, a composer of African America and Nigerian ancestry.	\$2,100	East Providence
Cathren Housley	This weekly art series, free and open to the public at Smith Hill Library, has a dual purpose. Youth explore and create with a variety of materials – then we take it one step further. What can we do with it? Could we sell or publish our art? What avenues are open to us if we know where to look? For artists of all ages with a passion for taking ideas and dreams as far as they can go.	\$2,275	East Providence
Rhode Island Arts Foundation at Newport (dba Newport Classical)	Through the Community Concerts Series, Newport Classical will present two free outdoor community concerts in spring 2023 – one in April and the other in May – in public green spaces, offering classical music for all Rhode Islanders within their neighborhoods.	\$1,300	Newport
newportFILM	Documentary Unbound is a community-based documentary learning lab anchored within the Florence Gray Center in Newport. In partnership with FabNewport, The Met School and Creative Communities Collaborative, participants - primarily high school age and beyond - train in the fundamentals of nonfiction storytelling and collaborative filmmaking.	\$10,000	Newport

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Mary Jameson	Mary Jameson will lead seaweed pressing workshops for all ages. In this workshop people will learn about the history of making art with seaweed, which was popular in the Victorian Era and has direct ties to Newport. People will learn some different techniques, choose their own seaweed specimens and make 2 pressings. The drying kits are reusable, so this is something they can continue to do.	\$2,000	Newport
St. Mary's Home for Children	St. Mary's Home for Children has partnered with a local artist (AGONZA) to teach her methods of craft and how she uses them as a coping mechanism for her own mental health. She will demonstrate to the youth how to use art as an outlet, create a small design into a larger work, and have them create their own public art on the campus of SMHFC.	\$10,000	North Providence
Jason Roseman	The creating of a collection of original compositions, about seven in total, that explore a variety of musical styles and forms, with their main voice being the steel pan drum.	\$3,000	Pawtucket
Gail Burton	TRUTH: A biofictional choreopoem will be a performance combining music, spoken word poetry, dramatic storytelling and dance to share the stories of 19th century black female abolitionists based on primary source materials and narratives including those of Sojourner Truth and Harriet Tubman. TRUTH will offer a layered narrative of Black female abolitionists in the US.	\$3,000	Pawtucket
Nader Molina Figueroa	The project "on the roads of Colombia", is an ethnographic and dance route through the region of the Colombian Caribbean coast. This is the folkloric area with more variety of rhythms and dances in Colombia. The apprentice will know, identify and interpret with his body, in time and space, folk dances such as Puya, Cien pies, Pilanderas, rhythms African heritage and mix of indigenous culture.	\$3,000	Pawtucket

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School One	Intergenerational Arts Program brings together high school students and adults aged 65 and over to explore their creativity, develop their powers of expression, and forge relationships across the generations. Unique to Rhode Island, the Intergenerational Arts Program uses storytelling and creative writing in all its forms to foster creativity.	\$2,700	Providence
360 High School	This proposal is for the creation of an exterior mural at 360 High School. This mural will be painted in collaboration with the artist AGONZA. The project will involve the participation of students from 360 in the painting itself.	\$8,000	Providence
DESIGNxRI	Resiliency Design Challenge is a workforce training program serving BIPOC designers. In 3 months, a cohort of 16 designers participate in an intensive workshop series exploring tools of the strategic design process. The program ends in the co-creation of design assets for four non-profit community partners and payment for designers and partners.	\$2,700	Providence
Refugee Dream Center	The Refugee Dream Center will install a gallery wall at Rochambeau Providence Community Library to display the work of artists from the Rhode Island refugee community. This project will give refugee artists the financial support to practice their craft and showcase the underrepresented well of talent that exists within the refugee community in RI.	\$2,700	Providence
The Haus of Glitter (F.S. Partnership for Providence Parks)	For PRONK!'s 2023-2023 season, we are aiming to expand beyond our annual festival to facilitate culturally relevant and justice-centered intergenerational music programming across RI, from djembe classes to traditional Indigenous song workshops to youth brass and percussion lessons. PRONK! is people-powered music + art + justice + community.	\$2,400	Providence

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<p>Woonasquatucket Valley Community Build Inc. (dba The Steel Yard)</p>	<p>The Steel Yard’s Workforce Training and Apprenticeship program provides under-resourced Rhode Islanders who are 18 or older with paid opportunities to gain employable skills in metal working. The programs prepare trainees to work for The Steel Yard’s Public Projects or Studio Facilities department, while helping expand their artistic skills.</p>	<p>\$12,000</p>	<p>Providence</p>
<p>DESIGNxRI</p>	<p>DxRI’s Resiliency Design Challenge is a workforce training program serving BIPOC designers. Over the course of 3 months, a cohort of 16 designers participate in an intensive workshop series exploring the tools of the design process. The program culminates in the co-creation of design assets for 4 community partners they couldn't otherwise afford.</p>	<p>\$12,000</p>	<p>Providence</p>
<p>Educational Center for Arts and Sciences (dba Teatro ECAS)</p>	<p>Teatro ECAS will conduct Instituto de Actores y Artistas Teatrales, two courses in the Spring of 2023: in Acting and Directing/Producing, taught in Spanish language for the apprentices of Teatro ECAS. Instituto continues professional development offered during the pandemic to the company. The courses will be taught by three renowned Latinx artists.</p>	<p>\$12,525</p>	<p>Providence</p>
<p>Michele Meek</p>	<p>The short narrative film Bay Creek Tennis Camp presents an original and humorous take on cross-generation disconnect around gender inclusivity.</p>	<p>\$2,500</p>	<p>Providence</p>
<p>Rebekah Bergman</p>	<p>Rebekah Bergman will complete a collection of stories that explores the human response to catastrophes of all kinds, from career-enders to breakups to apocalypses. The book of literary fiction for adult readers is concerned not only with the tragic parts of tragedy, but also with the absurd and surreal parts.</p>	<p>\$500</p>	<p>Providence</p>
<p>Andrew Kennedy</p>	<p>Working within the rich practice of Kusamono (A botanical art involving living plants and handmade vessels), Living artist Andie Kennedy will team with ceramic artists Rena Rong and Adam Chuong to create contemporary Kusamono using</p>	<p>\$1,897</p>	<p>Providence</p>

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	Rhode Island native plants and ceramic vessels fabricated in Rhode Island.		
Jonny Skye	Painter Jonny Skye will continue to expand a body of work, oowiši (in this direction), inspired by her native legacy and commitment to re-indigenizing ideology and practice. Connecting earth forms to the body, micro to macro, and driven by parables of passion and ceremony, the iMake Art Grantery challenges the senses. oowiši will be available for public exhibition in 2023.	\$3,000	Providence
Anna McNeary	Anna McNeary is an artist whose work often invites interaction through wearable and touchable objects. She is completing an interactive installation comprised of modular fabric pieces, designed to be joined together into widely variable garments. This project engages with themes of collective identity, social belonging, and individual self-expression, as explored through clothing.	\$2,000	Providence
Damont Combs	Mr. Orange live presents tell your truth which is a poetry open mic that encourages open dialogue on many of the topic's providence residences have on their hearts and minds. it features local artist and a cool underground vibe at Troop. The event is free to attend, and food and beverage is available for purchase.	\$2,000	Providence
Jose Maldonado	Project 401 leader and founder Jose "FaCce" Maldonado will organize, complete outreach for, and execute Project 401's 9th annual Winter Program. This is a comprehensive hip hop education program initiative consisting of instruction and mentor ship in hip hop elements facilitated discussions on pertinent socio-political issues, bi-weekly Programs at various locations in the Providence area.	\$3,000	Providence

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Karen Isenberg	Karen Isenberg will conduct early childhood music classes for children ages 0-5 years and their adults at 3 Community Libraries of Providence branches. Classes aim to foster early music skills, enhance child development (literacy, motor, social and cognitive skills), support healthy adult-child relationships, and build community among middle and low-income families.	\$1,500	Providence
Marlon Carey	The Poetry and Story Jam is a community engagement activity that brings together poets and storytellers, comedians, and other performers of all ages and backgrounds for a performance with a jazz trio. This intergenerational and genre blending jam is a unique way to make use of the Southside Cultural Center, helping to develop a new crop of storytellers and coalesce our community at large.	\$2,985	Providence
Jan Carlos Rodriguez	Jan Carlos Terrero will lead artists from the local and surrounding areas of Rhode Island in creating a Music Festival in which all of the artists are paid to perform. This event will take place at The Steel Yard and will be feature a number of different performances and activities such as Live Music, Dance, Vendors and more. This will be an all-ages event with security and staff present.	\$3,000	Providence
Cynthia Meeks	Folk Arts Apprenticeship	\$5,000	Providence
Hattie Ide Chaffee Home	An intergenerational arts program offers experiential movement and theatrical workshop for seniors, staff, families, community members, and Brown undergraduate, graduate, and medical students. Workshop includes all elements of a traditional dance class - warm-ups, dance combinations, improvisation, role-playing, and performance opportunities.	\$9,000	Riverside
JDP Theatre Co	The Junior Tones are JDP's new a cappella group, which is comprised of teens and preteens who have an interest in music and group singing. The goal of this group is to instruct on vocal technique and healthy singing habits in a fun,	\$660	Rumford

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	supportive, collaborative environment, while preparing for free public performances throughout the state.		
Tiverton High School	Tiverton High School's CTE Marine Carpentry Program creates over 80 hours of work-based learning opportunities for students 9-12. Throughout the program, students construct 12-foot kayaks, rowing dories, and 16-foot skiffs. Students earn OSHA 10 Certification, American Safety Hand & Power Tool Certification as well as college credits.	\$12,000	Tiverton
David Formanek	Numens were Roman spirits inhabiting sacred places, and these small-scale sculptures, the Tivertonumens, are particular to my Tiverton studio and home. Shaped in their quest for water underground, the roots of brambles suggest mysterious creatures of the Underworld. I conserve them and join them to plinths cut and polished from local bedrock to monumentalize their local origin.	\$1,000	Tiverton
IMake Art Grant Foundation for the Arts	IFA plans a youth-oriented performance and open mic night hosted by the Providence Poetry Slam; a youth poetry workshop for East Bay high school students led by RI Poet Laureate Tina Cane with assistance from the RI Center for the Book 2023 RI Youth Poetry Ambassadors and youth poetry contest winners; and a public reading by workshop participants.	\$2,250	Warren
Max Garcia	I plan to create an authentic native outfit also known as a regalia from raw material for a teenager.	\$2,000	WARWICK
Nancy Brown-Garcia	The project will be executed from start to finish in traditional methods of sculpting leather into wearable deerskin traditional clothing. The student will participate in the entire process. Designing, Cutting, and sewing the leather. Then beadwork will be added at the level the student can procure.	\$2,000	Warwick

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<p>Blackstone Valley Prevention Coalition</p>	<p>RISCA poets will work with Pawtucket 5th grade students on writing, developing, editing, improving, and performing poems culminating in a public poetry slam competition on May 31, World No Tobacco Day. This yearly event incorporates poetry as a way to learn and express knowledge about the dangers of tobacco use.</p>	<p>\$3,000</p>	<p>Woonsocket</p>
<p>RiverzEdge Arts Project</p>	<p>In this program, 85-100 youth participants earn wages as they work alongside peers and professional artists in the areas of graphic design, printmaking, photography and media, and public art and fabrication to complete client commissions and grant-funded public art projects.</p>	<p>\$25,000</p>	<p>Woonsocket</p>
<p>Third Person Therapy, LLC</p>	<p>Third Person Therapy (TPT) will use drama and theatre techniques, including role-play, improvisation and rehearsal, during eight dynamic arts-based workshops to allow students in the Varieur Elementary School third grade inclusion classroom to practice and nurture social and emotional skills and build community in the process.</p>	<p>\$2,750</p>	<p>Cranston</p>
<p>Marina Ekelova</p>	<p>Marina will create a custom nesting doll set consisting of eight dolls (matryoshkas) with each doll depicting a different Rhode Island landmark. The project will merge traditional European art style and modern design to convey cultural icons with local influence. Each nesting doll will tell a story both personal to the artist's Eastern European heritage and depicting regional features.</p>	<p>\$3,000</p>	<p>East Greenwich</p>
<p>Nicole Capobianco</p>	<p>Body literacy means to read and understand the language of the body. Nicole Capobianco's photography depicts the microscopic view of fluid produced from the human cervix. Organic forms help us to understand the meaning and significance of these fluids in social, political, and scientific contexts.</p>	<p>\$1,500</p>	<p>East Greenwich</p>

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Nicole Capobianco	Nicole Capobianco will facilitate a series of art-based teach-ins for the Rhode Island public to engage in body literacy exercises. It will explore menstrual health through the power of observation and the use of the five senses. The project will include mixed media and interactive art making such as drawing and sculpture. The goal is to have them explore the body in a curious and playful way.	\$2,000	East Greenwich
Marina Ekelova	This apprenticeship focuses on teaching intermediate design/painting techniques of the Matryoshka (Nesting Doll) and for the apprentice to create their own masterpiece. Building on the foundations of the beginner sessions, this apprenticeship teaches more sophisticated painting techniques, additional history, and bridges traditional designs with modern culture to create custom pieces	\$3,000	East Greenwich
Ponaganset High School Music Department	The Ponaganset High School Music and Performing Arts CTE Program is designed to give students the opportunity to explore and develop the creativity of performance. Students will work collaboratively, think critically, and problem solve while preparing for concerts, showcases, and other performances.	\$12,500	Glocester
Burrillville Land Trust	The Burrillville Land Trust is commissioning a model of the Eagle Peak Schoolhouse, an historic school building. The model, events, and captured conversations will be used to engage the public in the history, beauty and character of this structure and introduce the audience to the concept of land preservation using a conservation easement.	\$1,750	Harrisville
Ensemble Altera	The Sing Out in Schools program aims to address issues of exposure and access to choral music by visiting students in three Title I schools, Blackstone Valley Prep Upper Elementary, Nicholas Ferri Middle, and Riverside Middle, to engage them in multiple ways with participatory	\$3,000	Johnston

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	demonstrations that aim to light a spark of curiosity and passion.		
Providence Clemente Veterans (F.S. Operation Stand Down)	In spring 2023 the Providence Clemente Veterans' Initiative will put on Women Warriors, Women's Voices at the Providence Athenaeum. At this event, female veterans from across Rhode Island will share their experiences as soldiers and veterans with the community, through poems, stories, essays, and readings.	\$1,300	Johnston
Alexus Lee	Alexus Lee, known for her emotional and compelling songwriting and masterful vocals will record a 3-4 song EP (extended play album) at Big Nice Studio. 3 of her band members will join Alexis in the studio along with a professional engineer to record 3-4 of her original songs conveying messages of truth, love, self-acceptance, and honesty.	\$3,000	Johnston
Lea D'Arminio	Elemdi performance collaborative, under the direction of Lea Marie D'Arminio, will research to create an engaging contemporary dance theater experience: The Silent M. The Silent M showcases a string of powerful vignettes - inspired by the collaborators' narratives and understandings on motherhood and childhood. Via dance and spectacle, artists share their unique stories to learn, heal, and connect.	\$3,000	Johnston
Samantha Heydt	Internationally acclaimed visual artist Sam Heydt will host weekly direct animation workshops for the month of March. Scratch Film, or direct animation, is the process of manually manipulating 16 mm film allowing one to create an animated film without a camera or having to photographically develop the film itself. Workshops will be open to all ages, materials will be supplied.	\$2,500	Newport

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Davisville Middle School (Town of North Kingstown School Dept)	Ninety seventh grade students from DMS will enhance their understanding of Asian and African cultures by "traveling" down the Silk Road in 4-D: Dance, Drama, Drumming and Design. Students will work with numerous artists totaling more than 80 contact hours in preparation for a 10 stall SILK ROAD MARKET and SHADOW PUPPET SHOW for the community.	\$8,000	North Kingstown
Towards An Anti-Racist North Kingstown	TANK hosts the second We Are ALL Readers, a free annual book festival on April 1, 2023, that celebrates diverse children’s books. This literary event is a community collaboration between TANK and public and school libraries, children’s book authors and illustrators, and nonprofit organizations.	\$1,500	North Kingstown
North Kingstown School Department	ATR Treehouse will provide a course with the goal of teaching students the basics of purpose, setup, and operation of lighting fixtures, microphones, speakers, and control system/mixing consoles. Those completing the course and passing an operations test will be hired by the district to provide technical services in the NKHS auditorium.	\$12,500	North Kingstown
Ayumi Ishii	Ayumi Ishii will continue to expand on her ongoing two- and three-dimensional series with thermal paint which changes color with heat so that human exhalation can produce iMake Art Grantes that resemble clouds in the sky. Due to the nature of the mediums, finding a photographer was a challenge during the last two years, so she will catch up on documenting her portfolio.	\$1,500	North Kingstown
North Providence High School	To expand our career pathways in the arts with a focus in graphic design and Civil Architecture & Engineering. We want our students to be empowered by adapting the role of an engineer, artist, and or designer while applying problem-	\$12,500	North Providence

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	solving skills, innovative strategies, and reflective thought to real-world projects in our communities.		
Lesly Pineyro	Folk Arts Apprenticeship	\$1,000	North Providence
Jason Roseman	Teaching my son Isaiah how to play, care for, also the history and development of the Trinidad Steel Pan Dum. Isaiah and I would meet weekly at my workshop in Pawtucket where Isaiah would learn to play the Single Tenor Pan, the lead voice of the Steelband. Our lessons would be between sixty and one hundred and twenty minutes, (1- 2 hours) Isaiah would first learn the layout of the Single Tenor.	\$3,000	Pawtucket
Trinity Academy for Performing Arts	This partnership between TAPA, the RI Black Storytellers, and the Providence Art Club will connect the historical importance of Christiana Bannister’s career operating hair salons in the 1850-70’s and Edward Bannister’s success as an artist with student's lived experience. Students will explore related history and produce a documentary film.	\$8,500	Providence
2nd Act Org, Inc.	Peer Drama Therapy Workshop is a therapeutic experience for Peer Recovery Specialists and others who work on the frontline of the overdose epidemic to aid those struggling with Substance Use Disorders. This project offers a trauma-informed therapeutic intervention to prevent relapse and compassion fatigue and support the mental health of peers.	\$5,000	Providence
Hasbro Children's Hospital, pediatric division (RI Hospital)	With the help of community partner musician Michael Bresler and RISCA, the Healing Arts program will provide educational and therapeutic music interventions for patients admitted to Hasbro Children’s Hospital’s behavioral health units.	\$8,230	Providence

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<p>What Cheer Writers Club</p>	<p>What Cheer Writers Club will offer Rhode Islanders free podcast education, empowering creatives to broadcast their voices to a listening audience. Three introductory sessions—including one in Spanish—taught by audio experts, plus a support group, will introduce podcasters to the resources they need to get their story into someone else’s earbuds.</p>	<p>\$2,400</p>	<p>Providence</p>
<p>Tenderloin Opera Company (F.S. 134 Collaborative)</p>	<p>Tenderloin Opera Company is a homeless advocacy music and theater group based in Providence, RI whose members include currently and formerly homeless people and homeless advocates. Through weekly meetings and monthly performances, TOC will develop an "Opera" featuring the stories of local homelessness, created and performed by its members.</p>	<p>\$2,400</p>	<p>Providence</p>
<p>Spectrum Theatre Ensemble</p>	<p>In May of 2023, STE will present 4 neurodivergent short plays across Rhode Island as part of the second Neurodiversity Everywhere Tour. STE hopes to raise awareness regarding the misdiagnosis and under-diagnosis rate of neurodivergent conditions in historically and continuously marginalized populations within our Rhode Island community.</p>	<p>\$1,300</p>	<p>Providence</p>
<p>Southside Community Land Trust</p>	<p>The first volume of Things We Share preserved area refugees’ recipes, personal stories and cultural values around food. But, there are many more stories to tell. The second volume will also honor these food traditions while involving SCLT youth in presenting it in an accessible, enjoyable format that will appeal to a multi-generational audience.</p>	<p>\$2,366</p>	<p>Providence</p>
<p>Motion State Arts</p>	<p>Motion State Arts’ annual Motion State Dance Festival, March 8–11, 2023, is an immersion into innovative dance performances, dance films, artist talks and classes. This celebration of contemporary performance brings local and national artists together to share their boundary-pushing</p>	<p>\$2,250</p>	<p>Providence</p>

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	creative explorations with a growing Rhode Island dance audience.		
Queer.Archive.Work, Inc.	Since October 2021, Queer.Archive.Work/Binch has hosted Open Library Hours (OLH) every other week. It is a free event that welcomes the public into our studio to browse our library, read, eat donuts, and gather as an intergenerational queer community. With RISCA’s support, we hope to grow this program and hold space for even more Rhode Islanders.	\$1,100	Providence
AS220	AS220 Youth will provide arts and social justice education, mentorship, peer-to-peer learning, and tools to create civically engaged creative projects for under-supported youth and youth of color, culminating in a public presentation of their artwork known as Future worlds.	\$25,000	Providence
Trinity Repertory Company	The Apprentice Program provides a 35-week season of early-career training in production and administration. In work-based learning, apprentices train alongside staff, building skills and experience. Biweekly seminars explore wide-ranging topics including career planning. Alumni qualify for employment in nonprofit theater or a related field.	\$25,000	Providence
New Urban Arts	Career Explorations is a series of workshops and hands-on experiences in which high school students explore various careers, including those in the creative industries. Hosted by A Life After School (ALAS), NUA’s’ postsecondary guidance program, the project will take place February-April 2023, during after school hours and school break weeks.	\$12,000	Providence
DownCity Design	In Spring 2023, DownCity Design will offer Design/Build Studio programs for 29 Providence County teens ages 14-18. Participants in this work-based learning experience will discover career pathways in R.I.’s thriving Design and	\$19,975	Providence

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	Construction sectors, will gain work readiness skills, and will cultivate an innovation mindset for success in any career.		
Holly Hickerson	Hollis Hickerson is interested in metamorphosis, within fairytales and as it relates to a coming-out journey as non-binary. Through an unconventional felting method, they'll create a relief sculpture triptych using a playful sensibility, in content and materials, to explore gender as a social construct. The series will be exhibited at the Providence Public Library.	\$3,000	Providence
Kincaid McLaren	First Generation Celebration celebrates and appreciate black and brown first-generation college students and those who came before them. This photographic memoriam, conducted through film and digital photography, will celebrate recent college graduates and thank parents for paving the way and supporting them throughout the four years.	\$2,240	Providence
Brian Knoth	Composer and producer Brian Knoth will create a medium-length album (EP) motivated by a response to the effects of isolation. The working title for the album is Isolation Effects and collaborators include vocalist Kerry Schneider and drummer/percussionist Eric Hastings. All work will be completed in Rhode Island.	\$2,750	Providence
Lois Harada	"See Here Now" is a new typeface based on historic travel posters. The typeface will be free for anyone to use and its launch will be accompanied by a gallery show highlighting type specimens of the lettering in use.	\$2,000	Providence
David Allyn	Nicholson File Art Studios has opened its doors to the public the first Saturday in May for the past seven years, with an open studio event. Next year we would like to build on the hands-on activities and demonstrations held for the public.	\$2,400	providence

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	David Allyn will be recruiting, scheduling, and providing supplies for 8-12 hands-on art workshops or demonstrations.		
Alexander Berry	This season will be the 3rd annual PVD Cello Fest, taking place at local venues in Providence including RISD Museum and Providence Public Library. The Festival is co-organized by cellists Zan Berry, Isabel Castellvi, and Kamyron Williams. The two-day festival will feature a performance and workshop by Hindustani cellist Jake Charkey and performances by 14 local cellists spanning multiple genres.	\$3,000	Providence
Angela Gonzalez	Inspired by local Khmer residents in Rhode Island that are under-represented. AGONZA will travel, tour, document, and study the lands of South East Asia with a local native for 10 consecutive days. Upon returning for this immersive in-person study experience, she will use this to create an engaging XL Canvas painting to depict the culture and knowledge she has experienced to educate locals in RI.	\$3,000	Providence
GEAR Productions	Throughout 2023, South Kingstown residents will be celebrating its Tercentenary (300 years). In that spirit, all 3rd and 4th-grade students across the town will gather to perform an original musical production highlighting the local farming, fishing, and textile-making of South Kingstown throughout its 300 years.	\$1,500	Wakefield
Boys & Girls Clubs of Warwick	BGCW's Music & Media Program gives middle schoolers access to affordable, accessible musical opportunities and technology unavailable anywhere else locally. Through mentoring, discovery and instruction, youth opt to participate in consequential activities to build music, film technology and writing skills, unleashing creativity and confidence.	\$10,000	Warwick

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<p>Notable Works Publication and Distribution Co Inc</p>	<p>Notable Works seeks \$3000 to produce a poetry book on the theme of "Awakening a Resolve for Re-Discovery, Resolution, Adaption and Growth: A Call for Continued Action!" featuring app. 50 poets from state-wide call for works, with Crosswinds Poetry and Second Story Graphics. Book to be shared at public event at Audubon on June 11, 2023 at Audubon.</p>	<p>\$2,250</p>	<p>Warwick</p>
<p>Rhode Island Alliance for Arts in Education</p>	<p>The Rhode Island Alliance for Arts in Education in partnership with URI will exhibit statewide student art (PS2023) & 1 selected school district's " R.I. Gift of Art" at the URI Prov. Campus for the Month of May. A recognition ceremony will take place on Gallery night for the enjoyment of the general public and participating student artists.</p>	<p>\$1,540</p>	<p>Warwick</p>
<p>Sandra Feinstein-Gamm Theatre</p>	<p>The Gamm Fellowship Program is a workforce development and education initiative engaging emerging artists of color in Rhode Island. The 10-month program provides opportunities for young adults to pursue their passion for the arts, build industry connections, and expand their career opportunities.</p>	<p>\$15,000</p>	<p>Warwick</p>
<p>Lydia Perez</p>	<p>I wish to take Amanda Degrace, a local half Puerto Rican/half Cape Verdean resident that has been impacted by our performances and work and has expressed clear intent and interest in exploring and learning more about her Puerto Rican roots and heritage, as my drumming and dancing apprentice, learning traditional Puerto Rican Bomba dance and furthering her training in Bomba drumming.</p>	<p>\$3,000</p>	<p>Warwick</p>
<p>Bee in Motion</p>	<p>Bee in Motion has upcoming dances for disabled and able-bodied individuals in our community. We have scheduled the dances at a venue located in West Warwick for spring 2023. We plan on hiring a DJ to spin the music and have the dances follow a theme appropriate for all ages in our community.</p>	<p>\$1,500</p>	<p>West Warwick</p>

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<p>Frank Olean Center,</p>	<p>Olean Center’s consulting art therapist, Phebe Campsey, works year-round with developmentally disabled children and adults. Together they explore texture, color and design to express a vast array of emotions. Their creations are displayed at a month-long Autism Awareness exhibit held at the Hoxsie Gallery in Westerly Library in April.</p>	<p>\$2,250</p>	<p>Westerly</p>
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