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**Koch Cultural Trust announces grants  
to Kansas artists, Fall 2010**

Elizabeth B. Koch, president of the Koch Cultural Trust, is honored to announce this quarter's enabling grants to Kansas artists. KCT awards these quarterly grants through the Fred C. and Mary R. Koch Charitable Foundation. Award winners are:

**Rukhsana Ahmed, Wichita**

\$1000 grant to purchase cello, equipment and private lessons

**Thornton Bonner, Valley Center**

\$2500 grant to purchase a Collings OM Cutaway Guitar

**Amanda Borders, Wichita**

\$250 grant to attend Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago, IL

**Breanna Cox, Wichita**

\$322.98 grant to attend Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago, IL

**Aaron Davis, Wichita**

\$2500 grant to purchase a C-Trumpet

**Vanessa Duran, Wichita**

\$359.98 grant to attend Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago, IL

**Lily Jackson, Wichita**

\$2500 grant to purchase violin, take private lessons and attend Chamber Music at the Barn

**Dalima Kapten, Wichita**

\$2000 grant to purchase violin, take private lessons, attend winter break camp

**Janet Kerr, Wichita**

\$621.25 grant to purchase art easel

**Paula Kliewer, Wichita**

\$247.48 grant to attend Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago, IL

**Josh McBeth, Wichita**

\$373.19 grant to attend Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago, IL

**Anastasia McPeck, Belle Plaine**

\$5000 grant to purchase wooden oboe

**Annalea Milligan, Stockton, CA**

\$2000 grant to purchase a new bassoon

**Joshua Mitchell, Wichita**

\$5000 grant to purchase cello and case

**Vanessa Rodriguez, Wichita**

\$351.19 grant to attend Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago, IL

**Amy Sheldon, Wichita**

\$3200 grant to attend Piano Intensive Program at Masterworks Summer 2011

**Stephanie Sheldon, Wichita**

\$3200 grant to attend Masterworks Summer 2011 and purchase cello

**Emma Thacker, Valley Center**

\$1000 grant to purchase a full size violin

**Jacob Wilder, Los Angeles, CA**

\$3000 grant to purchase a French horn

**Kyle Unruh, North Newton**

\$4000 grant to purchase an E-flat piccolo trumpet and audition expenses

**Kendra Williams, Wichita**

\$372.48 grant to attend Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago, IL

*Elizabeth B. Koch founded the Koch Cultural Trust in 1986 to help visual and performing artists overcome financial obstacles. Grants are funded quarterly by the Fred C. and Mary R. Koch Foundation. Applications are available by calling 316-706-7805 or at [www.kochculturaltrust.org](http://www.kochculturaltrust.org). E-mails may be sent to [kochculturaltrust@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kochculturaltrust@sbcglobal.net). Deadlines are Feb. 1, May 1, Aug. 1 and Nov. 1 of each calendar year.*

*The Koch Cultural Trust Chairman is Elizabeth B. Koch. Executive Director is Howard W. Ellington. Additional Selection Committee Members include Mitchell Berman, Wichita Symphony; Wayne Bryan, Music Theater of Wichita; and Cecil Riney, Professor Emeritus in Music.*