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**Koch Cultural Trust announces grants
to Kansas artists, Fall 2011**

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:

Caroline Anderson, BelAire

\$3,000 grant to purchase a new bow

Claire Blann, Newton

\$2,000 grant to purchase a new flute

Alexandra Kate Johnson, Wichita

\$2,500 grant for relocation expenses, private lessons, headshots

Kerry Holyoak, Fredonia

\$3,500 grant to underwrite dance troupe expenses

Mingee Kim, Wichita

\$5,000 grant to purchase a full size violin

Kathryn Meehan, Topeka

\$1,500 grant to purchase a new headjoint for flute

Sarah Quinn, Wichita

\$3,000 grant for training expenses in NYC

Erin Sundquist, Wichita

\$2,500 grant to purchase a piccolo and/or piano

Joey Yates, Wichita

\$4,000 grant to launch new album and perform as recording artist

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. E-mails may be sent to 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 Wayne Bryan, Music Theater of Wichita; Cecil Riney, Professor Emeritus in Music, Stan Rogers, .Associate Professor and Director of Ballet Friends University and Dr. Jay Decker, Professor Emeritus of Music.