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PRESS RELEASE:

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Liz Koch, President of the Kansas Cultural Trust, is honored to announce the First Quarter, 2008 Kansas Cultural Trust Enabling Grant recipients. These Grants were made possible through the Fred C. and Mary R. Koch Charitable Foundation. The following grants have been awarded:

Lars Berggren Violin Lindsborg	(16)	Attend Brevard Music Center	\$1,500.00
Andrew Book Double Bass Wichita / Salina	(21)	Attend Karr Kamp	\$2,000.00
Amanda Brown Soprano Wichita	(20)	Attend Opera in the Ozark's	\$1,500.00
Brock Chart Saxophone/Piano Salina	(16)	Attend University of North Texas Jazz Combo Workshop	\$500.00
Jessica Findley Bassoon Wichita	(15)	Purchase a bassoon	\$2,500.00
Katrina Gildemeister Viola Wichita	(13)	Attend Junior Student Seminar at the Rocky Ridge Music Center in Colo.	\$1,500.00
Stefan Gildemeister Trumpet Wichita	(15)	Attend the George Parks Drum Major Academy in Illinois	\$500.00
Madeline Harder Cello Wichita	(13)	Attend Credo Summer Music Camp and purchase a new cello	\$2,500.00
Jodi Lightner Artist Wichita	(28)	Attend International School of Painting Drawing and Sculpture in Italy	\$2,500.00

Ethan Loewen Violin Wichita	(22)	Attend Aspen Music Festival or Pierre Monteux School in Maine	\$2,500.00
Michael O'Donnell Trombone Salina	(15)	Attend University of North Texas Jazz Combo Workshop	\$500.00
Rachel Phares Cello Wichita	(18)	Attend North Carolina School of Arts Summer Program	\$2,000.00
Allison Routh Strings / Vocal Augusta	(15)	Purchase portable sound system	\$500.00
Melody Routh Strings / Vocal Augusta	(15)	Purchase portable sound system	\$500.00
Danielle Routh Strings / Vocal Augusta	(13)	Purchase portable sound system	\$500.00
Andrew Toews Trombone N. Newton	(22)	Attend summer music festival	\$2,000.00
Amanda Whittemore Cello Wichita	(15)	Attend Credo Summer Music Festival	\$1,000.00
Madeline Wonsetler Ballet ElDorado	(15)	Attend summer dance intensive	\$2,500.00

The Kansas Cultural Trust, founded in 1986 by Elizabeth B. Koch, was created to help visual and performing artists overcome financial obstacles. The Trust awards Enabling Grants to young artists to enable them to take advantage of opportunities when they arise early in their careers. These Enabling Grants are funded quarterly by the Fred C. and Mary R. Koch Foundation.

The deadlines for 2008 are as follows:

First Quarter	February 1, 2008
Second Quarter	May 1, 2008
Third Quarter	August 1, 2008
Fourth Quarter	November 1, 2008

Applications are available by calling the Trust office at 316-706-7805 or on our website www.kansasculturaltrust.org . Emails may be sent to ksculturaltrust@sbcglobal.net .

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