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Amy Reep, Administrative Assistant

Liz Koch, President of the Kansas Cultural Trust, is honored to announce the first quarter, 2005 Kansas Cultural Trust grant recipients. These grants were made possible through the Fred C. and Mary R. Koch Charitable Foundation. The following grants have been awarded:

Kalina Bartlett
Ballet
Derby

Attend a summer program
$2500

Kaylie Bullock
Ballet
Wichita

Attend Tulsa Ballet program
$1975

Jessica Dickinson
Cello
Newton

Attend Interlochen
$3582

Andrea Geniuk
French Horn
Wichita

Attend Chautauqua Music Festival
$3500

Haylie Heatwole
Ballet
RoseHill

Attend Texas Ballet School
$1148

Melissa Leiker
Bassoon
Wichita

Attend International Double Reeds Convention
$375

Lorna McPeek-Henderson
 Viola
Belle Plaine

Attend Summer Program
$1530

Tina Murano
Artist
Halstead

Attend Mosaic Art School in Italy
$5000
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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 Charitable Foundation.

The application deadlines for this year are as follows:
First Quarter  March 1, 2005  
Second Quarter  June 1, 2005  
Third Quarter  September 1, 2005  
Fourth Quarter  December 1, 2005  

Applications are available by calling the Trust office at 316-687-1027.  

The Kansas Cultural Trust Chairman is Elizabeth B. Koch and the Executive Director is Howard W. Ellington. Additional Selection Committee Members consist of Mitchell Berman, Wichita Symphony; Wayne Bryan, Music Theater of Wichita; and Cecil J. Riney, Friends University.