



Koch Cultural Trust™

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Koch Cultural Trust awards \$29,642 in grants to Kansas artists, Fall 2017

The Koch Cultural Trust (KCT) has awarded 7 fall grants totaling \$29,642 to Kansas artists. KCT awards quarterly grants through the Fred and Mary Koch Foundation.

Since 1986 the KCT has awarded more than \$2.3 million dollars in grants to nearly 800 recipients in the areas of dramatic arts, vocal, dance, fine arts, visual arts and instrumental music. The KCT works to identify and reward talent, helping to provide opportunities for recipients to grow, learn and pursue their dreams.

Fall 2017 award winners are:

David Deiter, Instrumental, Wichita

\$3,000 grant to produce Gala performance in NYC March 2018

Chelsey Erskin, Visual Artist, Wichita

\$2,500 grant to purchase computer design equipment and programs

Dima Estanbuli, Instrumental, Wichita

\$5,000 grant to purchase new violin

Persis Lugalía, Instrumental, Wichita

\$5,000 grant to purchase new flute

Cristian Martinez Vega, Instrumental, Wichita

\$4,577 grant to attend Saarburg Music Festival in Germany



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Grant Morgan, Instrumental, Shawnee

\$5,000 grant to purchase new contrabass trombone

Addison Wegerle, Instrumental, Wichita

\$4,565 grant to attend Saarburg Music Festival in Germany

For more information about the Koch Cultural Trust, visit www.kochculturaltrust.org.

Elizabeth B. Koch founded the Koch Cultural Trust in 1986 to help visual and performing artists in Kansas overcome financial obstacles. Grants are funded quarterly by the Fred and Mary Koch Foundation. Deadlines are Feb. 1, May 1, Aug. 1 and Nov. 1 of each calendar year, and applications are available at www.kochculturaltrust.org.

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