



Koch Cultural Trust™

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Koch Cultural Trust awards \$34,000 in grants to Kansas artists, Spring 2017

The Koch Cultural Trust (KCT) has awarded 11 spring grants totaling \$34,000 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.

Spring 2017 award winners are:

Maria Begacheva, Instrumental, Wichita
\$4,000 grant to purchase a cello

David Deiter, Instrumental, Wichita
\$2,500 grant to attend summer program in Valdeblore, France

William Flynn, Instrumental, Wichita
\$3,000 grant to record body of music

Anna Harder, Instrumental, Wichita
\$3,000 grant to attend Credo Oberlin Music Camp

Timeri Herrington, Voice, Salina
\$3,000 grant to attend Opera Classica Europa Institute

Robert Hess, Instrumental, Aurora, Ontario
\$2,000 grant to attend the Frederick L. Hemke Saxophone Institute in Maine

Joshua Holcomb, Voice, Derby
\$3,000 grant to attend Opera Classica Europa Institute



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Pedro Oviedo, Instrumental, Wichita

\$5,000 grant to purchase a viola bow

Aaren Rivard, Voice, Wichita

\$2,500 grant for audition expenses

Danielle Perrault, Voice, Lawrence

\$3,000 grant to attend the International Opera Performing Experience in Italy

Kelli Van Meter, Voice, Kansas City

\$3,000 grant to attend the International Opera Performing Experience in Italy

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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