



Columbus Museum of Art & Design

Grant Recipients Announced by CMAD

Columbus Museum of Art & Design (CMAD) is pleased to announce that it has awarded four grants for community-based art and design projects. This is a pilot for a new grant program CMAD has developed to support visual art and design projects in order to continue to build the Columbus legacy of innovative design.

CMAD asked applicants to focus on projects that engage the greater Columbus community in short-term visual art and design experiences by creating 2D, 3D, multimedia, or digital work. Nonprofit organizations or units of government working with artists or designers were eligible to apply.

The following projects were awarded funding:

Columbus Area Arts Council, \$5,000 for “Learning Patterns” mural by Lulu Loquidis & Daniel Luis Martinez of LAA Office

The Columbus Area Arts Council will install a mural by local design studio LAA Office on the east facade of the 411 Gallery building. The designers view the project as a strategic stepping stone to developing and raising excitement about a long-term mural program that enlivens the downtown core and engages the community. The mural celebrates Columbus by reinterpreting historic design drawings for the Cleo Rogers Memorial Library into a contemporary, public artwork.

City of Bloomington, \$2,500 for the “Paper Pavilions: 2X2X” exhibition, curated by Sean M. Starowitz

Curator Sean Starowitz, Assistant Director for the Arts for the City of Bloomington, will commission and curate an exhibition of site-specific and site-responsive sculpture proposals. Artists will respond by designing their own sculptural pavilions that will activate various sites in the Columbus/Bloomington and the greater southern Indiana community. The project will include (2) one-month long exhibitions - one in Columbus and the other in Bloomington.

Friends of Columbus Indiana Architectural Archives, \$2,250 for the “Cleo Turns 50” exhibit, curated by Tricia Gilson

“Cleo Turns 50” exhibit will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the completion of the Cleo Rogers Memorial Library. The exhibit will be complemented by activities planned by the Bartholomew County Public Library and the Columbus Indiana Architectural Archives throughout 2019 to commemorate the building’s design and history as well as the library’s contributions to civic life.



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LA-Más, \$2,500 for “Thank U, Next”, a 2019 Exhibit Columbus installation

“Thank U, Next” is an informal and inclusive meeting space for the City of Columbus. This 3-month interactive installation, centered around an adaptable set of tables, will serve as a destination for people from all parts of the city and all backgrounds to have shared civic experiences.

Images of projects awarded by CMAD can be downloaded here for use by media.

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1tWtl3GzOU26e5hoNmih3qqKGJ6LjAwAD?usp=sharing>

Columbus Museum of Art & Design (CMAD) is a volunteer-led granting organization that supports and works with organizations to bring visual art and design projects to the Columbus community.

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