

HORIZONS GRANTS PROGRAM

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Your Horizons Gift Makes A Difference

For 38 years, Horizons donors have steadfastly supported Salina's cultural landscape, helping to shape a community where art and creativity flourish. Your generous support doesn't just sustain programs—it nurtures emerging talent and ensures that art thrives in Salina. Thank you for making a difference!

The Horizons Grant Program continues to be a vital force in our community, empowering cultural organizations and individual artists. Each grant is awarded with a focus on fostering artistic growth and deepening community engagement through creative endeavors. The stories below highlight a few of the incredible impacts your contributions have made possible in 2024.

ENRICHMENT GRANTS of up to \$1,000 were awarded to the following individuals and organizations in 2024. These grants are often the beginning step toward a more complex Developing Artist or Organizational Project grant.

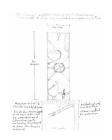
Salina Central Theatre Booster Club | Project: International Thespian Festival | Granted: \$500



This Horizons Grant supported Troupe 639's participation in the International Thespian Festival last spring, helping to reduce student fees to \$100. Despite weather challenges, the troupe earned multiple top honors, including perfect scores in Monologue and Costume Construction, fueling their excitement for future goals.

Bob Peck | Project: Tool Time Sculpture | Granted: \$900

With support from Horizons, Peck will create one to two sculptures for The Garage, a local museum. These sculptures will be crafted from a donation of vintage tools from the Flywheels Museum and prominently displayed at the museum's entrance. The grant funds will purchase the necessary tools and materials to complete this project.





Daniel Picking | Project: Mnemonic Resonances | Granted: \$1,000

The Horizons Grant has allowed Daniel Picking to purchase the remaining materials required to complete his installation, "Mnemonic Resonances," on exhibit at Project Project in Omaha, NE. This is Picking's first out-of-state exhibition opportunity after receiving regional recognition locally at Kansas Wesleyan University and Mark Arts in Wichita, KS.

Jo Ann McClure | Project: Sound Therapy Wind Gong | Granted: \$1,000

This Horizons Grant allowed Jo Ann to purchase a 36-inch Wind Gong, which she will use as a certified sound therapist. The gong expands on her collection of instruments, enhancing her creative practice as she shares her alternative music journey in yoga classes and sound therapy sessions.





Jonathan Hess | Project: House of Artifacts Self-Titled LP | Granted: \$1,000

This Horizons Grant award supports the release of a debut album by House of Artifacts, a Salina-based band performing original compositions. The grant will fund the pressing of vinyl records through Hess' label, Jahbulon Records. The album was recorded and mixed in his studio at the Masonic Temple, mastered at The Mastering Lab at Blue Heaven Studios, and will be pressed locally at Quality Record Pressings.

ORGANIZATIONAL PROJECT GRANTS provide dollars for innovative projects that engage patrons and audience members as active participants. Applicants are also encouraged to develop strategic partnerships within the community to strengthen the reach of their activities.

Salina Art Center

Project Title: An Authentic Lens: Phase 2 Guest Curator Project

Granted: \$6,000 for outreach and exhibition

Salina Art Center is researching an organizational structure for small, non-collecting museums in underserved areas to improve diversity and inclusion at the leadership level by engaging BIPOC curators and curators for traditionally marginalized communities. The model focuses on exceptionally curated programming connected to contemporary visual art exhibitions by regional, national, and international artists and filmmakers in various media.





Salina Public Library
Project Title: Salina Reads 2024
Granted: \$6,000 for outreach and performances

Horizons funding supported Salina Reads 2024, a program to strengthen community connections by widening perspectives and deepening understanding about differing points of view through literature, shared experiences, and discussion. The event series was held during the month of February and included programs centering on themes from Hope Jahren's book Lab Girl.

Salina Symphony

Project Title: Cabaret Reimagined

Granted: \$6,000 for artists' fee and outreach

The Salina Symphony will present "Cabaret Reimagined" in November 2024. The multidisciplinary concert will incorporate multiple art forms, including symphonic music, opera, dance, and visual projections. Featured pieces include Kurt Weill's "The Seven Deadly Sins" and contemporary jazz composer and musician Kyle Saulnier's "Sun Upon a Hill." In addition to the concert, Saulnier will clinic with several local/area high schools and college jazz bands.

