



Courtenay Wilson & Nina M. Waters

DEAR FRIENDS & PATRONS,

Looking back is generally easier than projecting into the future. So, when I consider the foresight of those who created a fund for Art Ventures to shape a collective consciousness around the arts, I am astonished. Early donors and trustees, led by Ann Baker, Courtenay Wilson and Bob Schircliff, and assisted by Foundation President Andy Bell, envisioned supporting individuals and smaller arts organizations in a way that would uplift Northeast Florida's gaze and resonate throughout the community. Their visionary leadership launched a fund that has awarded more than \$1.4 million in grants to 213 artists and 98 organizations.

"When we learned about the NEA challenge grant for 'Fostering Vitality in the Arts,' what appealed to us immediately was the opportunity to make grants to individual artists," said Courtenay Wilson, past trustee of The Community Foundation. "Prior to that time, there was no vehicle for making grants to individuals, which we believed was so important. The two other communities which received NEA challenge grants chose to support organizations only. But we decided to focus our grants one-half to small and mid-size organizations, and one half to individual artists. Lifting up individual artists particularly appealed to the many donors with whom we worked."

Courtenay recalls that early donors wanted to support artists financially, but also wanted to acknowledge their commitment to their craft. By showing that Northeast Florida values its artists, they reasoned, artists would be encouraged to stay here.

Now, when I consider the many talented Art Ventures artists and organizations listed, it is clear those donors' intentions were fulfilled, and we are proud to capture them in Northeast Florida's artistic registry.

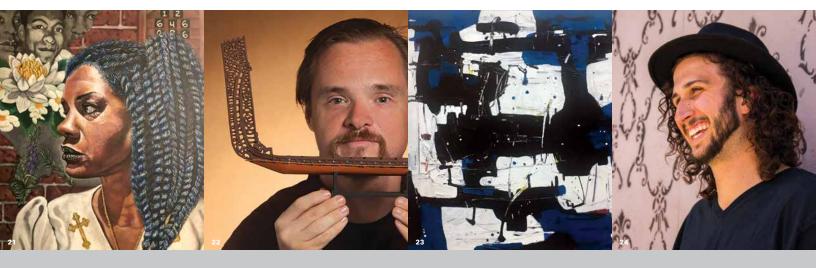
Undoubtedly, there are good feelings in looking back. But looking forward is even more exciting. Being a part of the continuum of culture in Northeast Florida has always been a motivating force for The Community Foundation. Knowing these grants will be made in perpetuity allows us to see our region as part of something bigger. A continuum of hope!

With gratitude,

Nina M. Waters, President

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- 1. Nancy Hamlin-Vogler
- 2. Douglas Eng3. Nicole Holderbaum
- 4. Rebecca Levy
 5. Ebony Payne-English
 6. Dustin Harewood
- Richard Colado
- 8. Christina Mastrangelo





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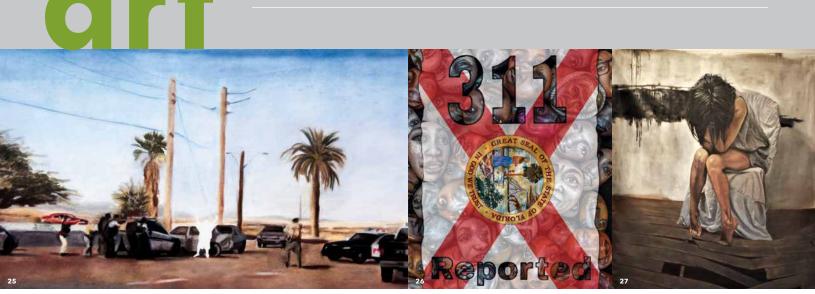
I am so fortunate to have the support of The Community Foundation, both as an individual artist and for my family's organization, "Don't Miss A Beat." Support from Art Ventures has helped us focus on unique ways to expand our vision of the Arts being a bridge for a better life for "At-Hope children."

Ulysses Owens Jr.

Becoming a recipient of an Arts Ventures grant was a launching pad for my most important creative work to date. It opened the floodgates for poems about the intersections of race, identity, family and the prison system that allowed me to repair one of the most pivotal relationships in my life. Those poems have led to several fellowship appointments and my most prestigious publication credits to date. It is not an exaggeration to say the support of The Community Foundation has been essential to my current creative success.



Tiffany Melanson



SMALL ARTS ORGANIZATIONS AWARDED

5 & Dime Theatre Company 100 Black Men of Jacksonville

Amelia Arts Academy

Amelia Community Theatre

Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival

Arc of St. Johns

The Artelier Ensemble

Art League of Jacksonville

Art with a Heart in Healthcare

All Beaches Experimental Theatre

Avant Arts

Beaches Fine Arts Series

Beaches Museum

Big Orange Men's Chorus

Cathedral Arts Project

City Kids Art Factory

Clamour Theatre Company

Concert on the Green

Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra

Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville

The Dance Company

Deck the Chairs

Don't Miss A Beat, Inc.

Eartha M.M. White Museum

Fernandina Little Theatre

The Florida Ballet

Florida Chamber Music Project

Friday Musicale

Friends of Hemming Park

Friends of St. Augustine Amphitheatre

Hope at Hand

Island Art Association

Jacksonville Actor's Theatre

Jacksonville Centre of the Arts

Jacksonville Children's Chorus

Jacksonville Coalition for the Visual Arts

Jacksonville Consortium of African

American Artists

Jacksonville Country Day School

Jacksonville Cultural Development

Corporation

Jacksonville Dance Theatre

Jacksonville Film Events

Jacksonville Harmony Chorus

Jacksonville Museum of Modern Art

Jacksonville Stage Company

Kuumba Art Festival

Limelight Theatre

Nassau County Writers and Poets Society

Opera Jacksonville

Players by-the-Sea

Ritz Chamber Music Society

Ritz Theatre & LaVilla Museum Foundation

Riverside Fine Arts Association

Shoshannah Arts

Springfield Preservation and Restoration (SPAR)

Stage Aurora Theatrical Company

St. Johns County Cultural Council

tag! Children's Museum

Teal Sound

The Art Center Cooperative

Theatre Jacksonville

Veddy Theatre Group

West Nassau Historical Society





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The Community
Foundation's remarkable
commitment to supporting
artists in our community
is vitally important—now
more than ever. These grants
boldly propel artists to the
next most crucial step in
cultivating their work, from
hopeful vision into concrete
reality, ultimately to share
with our community and
beyond. It is exceptional
that such an abundance of
support for 'the artist' exists
in Northeast Florida.

Roxanna Lewis



INDIVIDUAL ARTISTS AWARDED

Luis Abella	2011	Nancy Hamlin-Vogler	2006/2020	David Olson	1997
Anthony Aiuppy	2018	James Joshua Hansbrough	2020	Lisa O'Neil	2012/2014
Yvette Angelique Hyater-A	Adams 2016	Anthony Haney-Jardine	1990	Ulysses Owens, Jr.	2017/2020
Valerie Anthony	1990	Dustin Harewood	2016	Longineu Parsons	1990/1993
Mary Atwood	2011	Jovita Harper	2018	Ebony Payne-English	2020
Patrick Barry	2015	Marsha Hatcher	2004/2019	Sara Pedigo	2016
Cindy Bear	2019	Linda Hilf	1991	Henry Petersen	1994
Roy Berry	2015	Sharon Weightman Hoffmann	1991/2012	Adrian Pickett	2016
Gail Beveridge	2004	Hillary Hogue	2009	Christian Pierre	2002/2003
Ivy Bigbee	1995	Nicole Holderbaum	2019	Jordan Poole	2018
Vanessa Bowers	2005	Christina Hope	1991	Princess Rashid	2006
Rhonda Bristol	2008	Emmie Howard	1997	Carrie Richter	2011
Shawana Brooks	2019	Edith Moore Hubert	2008	Mark Anthony Rivera	2008
Linda L. Broadfoot	2001/2003/2007	Jeremiah Johnson	2014	Leslie Robison	2017
Drew Brown	2016	Jamal Jones	2013	Anthony Rodrigues	2009
Kenneth O. Brown	1991	Tara Jones	2016	Kate Garcia Rouh	2012/2015
Thomas Carey	2012	Paul Karabinis	1995/2003	Rob Ruttenberg	2017
Daniel Cauthorn	1994	Erin Kendrick	2017	Miguel G. Sanchez	2002
Jennifer Chase	2013	John Richard Kirkland	1990	Bonnie Barry Sanders	2005
Kevin Christenson	1997	Mary Sue Koeppel	1993	Sharon Scholl	1995/2003
Christopher Clark	2018	Lily Kuonen	2013	Skye D. Schwarzer	2010
Manila Clough	2018	Daryl LaRoche	1997	Joe Segal	1999/2003/2006
Barbara Colaciello	2020	Al Letson, Jr.	2005/2009	Theresa Segal	1999/2013/2020
Richard Colado	2020	Joy Leverette	2014	Kathran Seigel	1990
Laura E. Colomb	2020	Rebecca Levy	2020	Jay Shoots	1993/1995
Helen Cowart	2012	Alisha Lewis	2020	Katherine Skaggs	1993
Jonathan Cox	1997	Roxanna Lewis	2017/2020	William Slaughter	1994
Mark Creegan	1999	Gerald Lilliard	2014	Toni Smailagic	2019
Sarah Crooks	1991/2003/2018	Agnes Lopez	2018	Arvid B. Smith	2014
Caroline Scott Daley	1990	Jonathan Lux	2001		9/2001/2004/2007
Ingrid Damiani	2008/2018	JoAnne Maffia	2020	Jay Solomon	2010
Will Dickey	2014	Christina Mastrangelo	2020	Helen Stanley	1993/1994
Nofa F. Dixon	1991	Tiffany Manning	2019	Katherine Rea Stark	2005/2013/2016
Emily Arthur Douglass	2004/2007	Franklin Matthews	2020	Constance Stumin	1990
Holly Draper	2012	Tiffany Melanson	2017	Jack Tamul	1993
James Draper	1999	Aisling Millar McDonald	2020	Brian K. Terrell	2005
Overstreet Ducasse	2012	Traci Mims	2019	Ben Thompson	2018
Annelies M. Dykgraaf	2008	Anna Morgan McClellan	2008	Meredith Tousey Matthew	
Roseann Herud Egidio	2007	Richard McMahan	2014	Michael Turnquist	1994/1997
Ginny Elliott	1995	Hope McMath	2002	Marisella Veiga	2020
Douglas Eng	2010	Bill McQuaid	1990	Richard Wagner	1991/1994
Shannon Lilley-Estlund	2002/2006	Hamish G. MacEwan	1993	Tony Walsh	2015
Fabricio Farias	2015	lan Mairs	1993/2010	Grant Ward	1990
Barbara Ferrari	1990	Mary Jo Maraldo	1993	Roosevelt Watson III	2016
Crystal Floyd	2013	Dominick Martorelli	2001	Jeff Whipple	2017
Christina Foard	2010	Gilbert Mayers	2001	Mark Williams	2002
Jay Fogg	1991	Carlos Miller	2010	Mary Williamson	2002/2003
Jason Fort	1990	Pamela Miller	2011	Barry Wilson	1991/2003
Zachary Freeman	2007	David Montgomery	2014	Mark Sain Wilson	2010
Julianne French	2011/2014	Hiromi Moneyhun	2015	Russell Wilson	2005
Daniel Fulmer	2019	Laura Mongiovi	2018	Hurley Winkler	2020
Lynne Alcott Funcheon	2006	Robert Moore	2020	Tony Wood	2009
Liz Gibson	2013/2017	Denise Murphy	2013	Jennifer Woodall	2007
Ana Paula Habib	2015/2017	Justin Murphy	2019	Mary Worthy-Dumbleton	1991
	5/2002/2004/2009	Leigh Murphy	2001	Daniel Wynn	2006
Jenny K. Hager-Vickery	2014/2019	Bryon Nobles	2008	Bill Yates	2009
Darryl Reuben Hall	2015	Elena Ohlander	2018		
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ANN McDONALD BAKER ART VENTURES AWARD

In 2015, to mark the 25th anniversary of Art Ventures, The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida proudly established the Ann McDonald Baker Art Ventures Award.

This special distinction is awarded to an individual artist who articulates a vision and radiance in a medium or discipline which brings distinction to Northeast Florida as an inspiring environment that nurtures creativity.

The Award is designed to build momentum for an artist or performer with exceptional talent whose investigations create work accessible to the Northeast Florida community. This is not a lifetime achievement award, but it does celebrate past achievement and acknowledges a resolute commitment to an artistic discipline/field. The Award also acknowledges the artist's personal investment, and empowers him/her further with an unrestricted grant of \$10,000 to be used however the artist sees fit.

It is fitting this extraordinary award honors Ann McDonald Baker. She co-founded The Community Foundation's Art Ventures Fund which began supporting individual artists and small arts organizations in 1990. She founded Jacksonville's Art Assembly, now known as the Cultural Council, and helped establish Douglas Anderson School of the Arts. Ann led The Community Foundation's Board of Trustees in 2002-03, and was the first female chairman. Ann was also one of the founders of the Women's Giving Alliance, an initiative of The Community Foundation that makes grants to benefit women and girls in Northeast Florida.





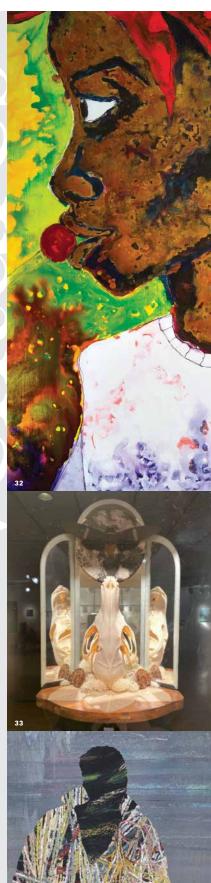
David Engdahl, Sculptor, Public Art Advocate



Louise Freshman Brown, Visual Artist, Artistic & Academic Mentor



Jorge Peña, Viola, Co-founder St. Augustine Music Festival; Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra





35. Christopher Clark | 36. Patrick Barry



Ann Baker & Courtenay Wilson

ART VENTURES FUND DONORS

There are several signature gifts that have helped propel the Art Ventures Fund into the strong source of support it is today.

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37. Adrian Pickett | 38. Aisling Millar McDonald



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