

CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF  
**DCASE**  
CULTURAL AFFAIRS & SPECIAL EVENTS

2015 Individual Artists Program – Professional Development Cycle 1

The goal of the DCASE Individual Artists Program (<http://goo.gl/PpCz4R>) is to discover, nurture, and expand the work of Chicago’s individual artists. Through this grant program, DCASE awards grants to Chicago-based artists over 18 years of age, at all career levels and working across numerous disciplines.

DCASE’s Cultural Grants Program strives for an equitable distribution of artistic services across the city’s wards. When making final recommendations, panelists are instructed to take geographic access into account, incentivizing projects created by or serving residents of wards, which have been historically underserved with little access to arts and culture activities or resources.

Panelists:

Elise Glickman, Jenny Shanks, Luis Romero, Sheila Lewis

Grant Recipients (<http://goo.gl/iPYIYI>):

Anita Darwish	Jeff Baraka	Miriam Hamilton
Asha Veal Brisebois	Johnathan Wallace	Molly Zakrajsek
Beatriz Ledesma	Jonathan Pivovar	Nathan Otto
Benjamin van Loon	Jorge Santos	Nicole Beck
Brian Hurwitz	Julianne Ehre	Nomi Epstein
Cesario Williams	Kara Johnson	Olivia Kim
Chelsea Voulgares	Martie Sanders	S. L. Wisenberg
Emily Rapport	Mary Lenzini	Sarah Rose Graber
Emily Robbins	Matthew Austin	Susan Giles
Eric Leonardson	Matthew Test	Thea Nichols
Erin Barlow	Megan Williamson	Thomas Gallagher
Holly Chernobyl	Melody Saraniti	Tim Corpus
James Davis	Meredith Miller	Tina Jenkins Bell
Jason Dunda	Michael Jones	Vanessa Stokes



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