



ARTS COUNCIL For Monterey County

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17 Emerging and 2 Established Artists From Monterey County Awarded Individual Artists Grant by Arts4MC

[MONTEREY, CA. May 13, 2025] The Arts Council for Monterey County (Arts4MC) is excited to announce the recipients of the 2025 Individual Artists Grant. This important initiative supports local artists as they create new works, engage with diverse audiences, and enhance the cultural landscape of our community.

Arts4MC remains committed to fostering artistic excellence by awarding nearly \$100,000 through various grants directly to local artists. These grants, funded by the County of Monterey, offer financial stipends of up to \$5,000 for emerging artists and \$10,000 for established artists, ensuring that creatives at every stage of their careers have the necessary resources to thrive.

"Our local artists inspire, challenge, and connect us in ways that strengthen our community," said Jacquie Atchison, Executive Director of Arts4MC. "By investing in their work, we recognize that artistic endeavors are real work, cultivate innovation across diverse disciplines, celebrate diversity, and enhance cultural experiences for residents and visitors alike."

Arts4MC is dedicated to providing programs that support the professional development of artists, such as BusinessWorks, a free professional development series. Through the Individual Artists Grants, Arts4MC offers monetary support to directly fund artistic projects, enabling local artists to create, share, and inspire.

Each application was reviewed by an independent panel of jurors composed of Adam Balesteri, Amir Ibrahim, Andrew Jackson, Audrey Summers, Chris Carpenter, Connie Frausto, Dexter Farm, Dirrick Williams, Gail Lehman, Gordon Dill, Jacqueline Leon, Jeff Hinderscheid, Jose Moran, Karen Cameron, Kiran Kamath, Laurie Bend, Laurie Iwami, LilliArlen Gomez, Michael Houston, Nate Stapleton, Pilar Mendoza, Robert Reese, Rosemary Soto, Sandie Borthwick, Sarah Hoeffel, Sarah Tier, Shagufta Khan, Tim Orme, and Vicky Lee.

Congratulations to the 2025 Individual Artists Grant Recipients!

Emerging Artists Katie Raquel (D1), Cristian Almanza (D1), Jonathan Ordiano (D1), Ivan Ramirez (D1), Nada Abdelshahid (D2), Arturo Cabrera (D3), Miguel Garcia (D3), Alicia Trujillo (D3), Edward Corpus (D4), Kee Hyon Higgins (D4), Jess Marie Soriano (D4), William Bell (D4), Rudy Medina (D4), Jackson Sherry (D5), Rachael Short (D5), Daniel Troia (D5), and Cambell Walker (D5). Established Artists Lillian Barbeito (D5), and Edgar Lorenzo (D1).

For more information about the 2025 grant recipients and upcoming Arts4MC programs, visit arts4mc.org/individual.



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*Arts Council for Monterey County (Arts4MC) is committed to enhancing the quality of life for all residents in our region through the arts. We provide a variety of ways to make art more accessible to everyone, including but not limited to providing **Arts Education** programs through schools and community organizations, offering business resources for artists and nonprofits through **BusinessWorks**, creating studio and public art spaces for local artists by **Curating Public Exhibitions** and via **ArtWorks**, awarding **Scholarships**, and providing **Grant Funding** to individual artists and nonprofits for community programs and events related to arts and culture. To learn more, visit arts4mc.org.*



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17 Artistas Emergentes y 2 Artistas Establecidos del Condado de Monterey han sido Galardonados con una Subvención para Artistas Individuales por Arts4MC

[MONTEREY, CA. 13 de mayo 13, 2025] El Consejo de las Artes del Condado de Monterey (Arts4MC) se complace en anunciar los beneficiarios de la Subvención para Artistas Individuales 2025. Esta importante iniciativa apoya a los artistas locales en la creación de nuevas obras, la integración con públicos diversos y la mejora del panorama cultural de nuestra comunidad.

Arts4MC mantiene su compromiso de fomentar la excelencia artística mediante la concesión de casi \$100,000 a través de la otorgación de varias subvenciones. Estas subvenciones, financiadas por el Condado de Monterey, ofrecen estipendios económicos de hasta \$5,000 para artistas emergentes y \$10,000 para artistas establecidos, asegurando que creativos en cada etapa de sus carreras tengan los recursos necesarios para prosperar.

«Nuestros artistas locales nos inspiran, desafían y conectan de forma que fortalecen nuestra comunidad», afirma Jacquie Atchison, Directora Ejecutiva de Arts4MC. «Al invertir en su trabajo, reconocemos que los esfuerzos artísticos son trabajo real, cultivamos la innovación a través de diversas disciplinas, celebramos la diversidad y mejoramos las experiencias culturales tanto para los residentes como para los visitantes.»

Arts4MC se dedica a ofrecer programas que apoyan el desarrollo profesional de los artistas, como BusinessWorks, una serie gratuita de desarrollo profesional. A través de las Subvenciones para Artistas Individuales, Arts4MC ofrece apoyo monetario para financiar directamente proyectos artísticos, lo que permite a los artistas locales crear, compartir e inspirar.

Cada solicitud fue revisada por un jurado independiente compuesto por Adam Balesteri, Amir Ibrahim, Andrew Jackson, Audrey Summers, Chris Carpenter, Connie Frausto, Dexter Farm, Dirrick Williams, Gail Lehman, Gordon Dill, Jacqueline Leon, Jeff Hinderscheid, José Morán, Karen Cameron, Kiran Kamath, Laurie Bend, Laurie Iwami, LilliArlen Gómez, Michael Houston, Nate Stapleton, Pilar Mendoza, Robert Reese, Rosemary Soto, Sandie Borthwick, Sarah Hoeffel, Sarah Tier, Shagufta Khan, Tim Orme y Vicky Lee.

¡Felicidades a los beneficiarios de las Subvenciones para Artistas Individuales 2025!

Artistas emergentes: Katie Raquel (D1), Cristian Almanza (D1), Jonathan Ordiano (D1), Ivan Ramirez (D1), Nada Abdelshahid (D2), Arturo Cabrera (D3), Miguel Garcia (D3), Alicia Trujillo (D3), Edward Corpus (D4), Kee Hyon Higgins (D4), Jess Marie Soriano (D4), William Bell (D4), Rudy Medina (D4), Jackson Sherry (D5), Rachael Short (D5), Daniel Troia (D5) y Cambell Walker (D5). Artistas establecidos Lillian Barbeito (D5), y Edgar Lorenzo (D1).



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Para más información sobre los beneficiarios de esta subvención en 2025 y los próximos programas de Arts4MC, visite arts4mc.org/individual.

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*Arts Council for Monterey County (Arts4MC) se compromete a mejorar la calidad de vida de todos los residentes de nuestra región a través de las artes. Ofrecemos una variedad de maneras de hacer el arte más accesible a todos, incluyendo, pero no limitado a proporcionar programas de **Educación Artística** a través de escuelas y organizaciones comunitarias, ofreciendo recursos de negocios para artistas y organizaciones sin fines de lucro a través de **BusinessWorks**, la creación de espacios de estudio y de arte público para artistas locales mediante la **Curaduría De Exposiciones Públicas** y a través de **ArtWorks**, la concesión de **Becas**, y la concesión de **Subvenciones** a artistas individuales y organizaciones sin fines de lucro para programas comunitarios y eventos relacionados con las artes y la cultura. Para más información, visite arts4mc.org.*

Congratulations / ¡Felicidades!



Cristian Almanza, Salinas
District 1



Edgar Lorenzo, Salinas
District 1



Ivan Ramirez, Salinas
District 1



Jonathan Ordiano, Salinas
District 2



Katie Raquel, Salinas
District 1



Nada Abdelshahid, Salinas
District 2



Alicia Trujillo, King City
District 3



Arturo Cabrera, Soledad
District 3



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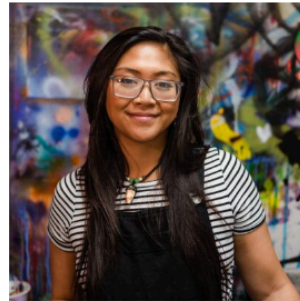
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Miguel Garcia, Greenfield
District 3



Edward Corpus, Seaside
District 4



Jess Marie Soriano, Seaside
District 4



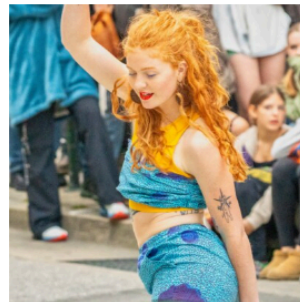
Kee Hyon Higgins, Seaside
District 4



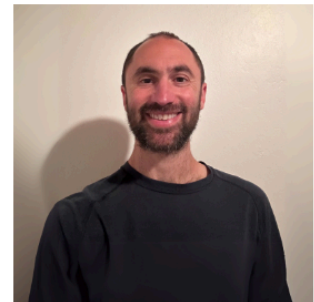
Rudy Medina, Marina
District 4



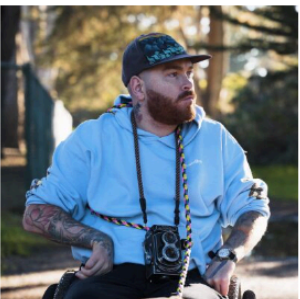
William Bell, Salinas
District 4



Cambell Walker, Monterey
District 5



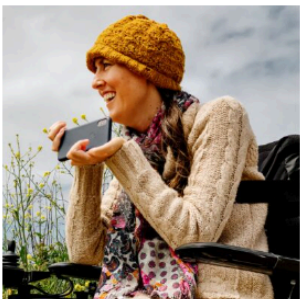
Daniel Troia, Pacific Grove
District 5



Jackson Sherry, Monterey
District 5



Lillian Barbeito, Carmel
District 5



Rachael Short, Carmel
District 5