

## The Mayor's Arts Award

The *Mayor's Arts Award* will be granted annually to a Grand Rapids area business, organization, or individual(s) that supports and promotes local arts organizations, programs or individual artists through funding and/or advocacy in the Grand Rapids area.

### Eligibility Guidelines:

- Businesses, organizations, or individuals may be nominated or may nominate themselves by sending a letter of nomination to the Grand Rapids Arts and Culture Commission, 420 N. Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids MN55744 as described below.
- Businesses, organizations, or individuals must be located in, or a resident of, the City of Grand Rapids or adjacent townships.
- The Grand Rapids Arts and Culture Commission will identify a winning nomination, or more than one nomination if the Commission deems fit, and forward its recommendation(s) to the City Council for its consideration at a City Council Meeting.
- Winners will be personally notified prior to the award ceremony.
- Telephone nominations will not be accepted.
- Questions concerning this award may be directed to the City Clerk.

### Timeline and Selection:

- A press release calling for nominations will be advertised by January 1<sup>st</sup> of every calendar year. Notice of the same will be advertised in the *Grand Rapids Herald Review*, or other designated legal publication, at least twice prior to the nominations deadline. The notice will also be posted on the City's website and physically placed upon the public notice board at City Hall during the same timeframe.
- Deadline for nominations is February 1<sup>st</sup> of every year.

- Letters of nomination will be provided to the Grand Rapids Arts and Culture Commission in February and selection made at a subsequent meeting.
- Letters of nomination will be carried forward for a period of one year.
- The Grand Rapids Arts and Culture Commission will identify a winning nomination, or more than one nomination if the Committee deems fit, and forward its recommendation to the City Council for its consideration.
- The award will be presented at an event selected by the Arts and Culture Commission.
- The award will consist of an item of art produced by an area artist that highlights the Mayor's appreciation of the efforts of a business, organization, or individual(s) to promote the arts in the City of Grand Rapids.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Rapids, Minnesota, this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Dale Christy, Mayor

Attest:

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Kim Gibeau, City Clerk