



THE DEPOT FOUNDATION

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and Annual Report

Spring 2014

**The Fourteenth Annual Depot Foundation Arts and Culture Awards Ceremony recognized these individuals for their significant contributions to the arts and culture of our region:**



## *2013 Arts and Culture Award Recipients*

(front): Cathy and Dan Mundt, *Lifetime Achievement Award*

(back, L to R): David Salmela, *Lifetime Artist Award*

Anne Labovitz, *Artist Award*

Ken Buehler, *Community Enrichment Award*

Dan Hartman, *Historic Preservation and Interpretation Award*

Don Ness, *Community Enrichment Award*

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## A Message from the Board



**Dexter Larson**  
Chair  
Grants Committee

The Depot Foundation Grants Committee is appointed by the Chair of The Depot Foundation and is presently comprised of seven Board members. The purpose of the Grants Committee is to conduct a process to identify and evaluate potential recipients of funds of the Depot Foundation and submit its recommendations for grant awards to the Foundation Board for approval. Grants are made from both the Undesignated and Designated Funds. The Undesignated Fund is comprised of Foundation funds as well as funding provided by the Muriel Whiteside Charitable Trust and the Prindle/Wood Family Memorial Fund, and grants are made at the discretion of the Board. Designated Funds have been donated to the Foundation and are under its management for the benefit of a participating member organization designated by the donor.

The Foundation has adopted guidelines for the grants from the Undesignated Fund, which stipulate that the project must be applicable to one of the Foundation's areas of arts and cultural interests, including artistic performance, arts and cultural education programming, cultural preservation and interpretation, cultural and historic preservation, interpretation and emerging artists; additionally the grant must support one of the Foundation's priorities including projects that increase patronage for the Depot. All of such projects must occur within the Depot building. The Designated Funds are granted for general operating costs, whereas Undesignated Funds are not available for such costs.

Grants are made only upon grant application in the format required by the Depot Grants policies. Undesignated Funds Grants have two application cycles. The first cycle commences April 1; the second begins September 1 of each year. The Designated Fund has one cycle, it begins in October. Following review, the Committee prioritizes the applications for grant funding and presents its recommendations to the Foundation Board.

During fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, \$208,883 of grants were awarded and for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, the granting process has been completed and grants totaling \$234,562 were awarded by the Foundation Board of which \$226,107 were from the Undesignated Fund.

## Year End Financials

(Fiscal year July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013)

	2013	2012		2013	2012
<b>Public Support and Revenue</b>			<b>Grants and Operating Expenses</b>		
Cash Contributions .....	\$200,133	\$157,130	Grants and Grant Making .....	\$208,883	\$162,040
Recognized In-Kind Contributions .....	28,070	27,620	Management and Administrative .....	58,529	57,987
Investment Income .....	111,317	98,311	Fund raising .....	29,258	33,480
Net Realized and Unrealized			<b>Total Grants and Operating Expenses .....</b>	<b>\$296,670</b>	<b>\$253,507</b>
Investment Gains (Losses) .....	461,885	(171,888)	Change in Depot Foundation-Owned Net Assets .....	\$512,688	\$(133,870)
Other .....	7,953	8,464	Depot Foundation-Owned Net Assets, Beginning of Year .....	5,155,463	5,289,333
<b>Total Public Support and Revenue .....</b>	<b>\$809,358</b>	<b>\$119,637</b>	<b>Depot Foundation-Owned Net Assets, End of Year .....</b>	<b>\$5,668,151</b>	<b>\$5,155,463</b>
			Funds Managed for		
			Affiliated Organizations .....	\$304,016	\$278,103

Audited financial statements are available at the Depot Foundation Office; the IRS Form 990-PF is available for review at the Depot Foundation Office

## NEW TO THE BOARD

The Depot Foundation is pleased to announce the election of three new board members:

### Laura Budd

is an active supporter of our community and currently volunteers at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, serves on the Marshall School Board of Trustees, the Woodland Hills Board of Directors and The Kitchi Gammi Club Foundation Board.

A recipient of the Depot Foundation's 2012 Lifetime Achievement Award, the Depot Foundation welcomes Laura's return to the board.



### Pat Cutshall

has worked at ALLETE for 25 years. He is currently the Director of Investments. His professional designations are Certified Public Accountant and Chartered Financial Analyst.

At the present time, Pat serves as the Treasurer on the Paul Staudemaier Boys & Girls Club of Duluth Foundation.



### Robert Hofmann

has been the Senior Director of Development with the UMD School of Fine Arts for the past seven years during which time he helped to raise more than \$8M for student scholarships and programs. He is a Certified Fund Raising Executives (CFRE), a graduate of Rhode Island College with a Masters of Arts degree, and Saint John's University of Collegeville, MN.

Rob is a member of Rotary Club of Duluth Club #25 and the Knights of Columbus.





The 2013 Circle of Friends Celebration was held in the Great Hall of the St. Louis County Heritage and Arts Center. This event honors its members and the Arts and Culture Awards recipients.



Gayle Taylor and Crystal Taylor



Mark Boben and Renee Mattson



Mary Ellen Owens and Patty McNulty



Kate Horvath, Tessa Lenneman and Ruth Ann Eaton



Cheng-Kee Chee and Clyde Olson



Dean Casperson and Patra Sevasitades



Lisa LaPlant and Laura McCain



Barbara Fischer and Mike Bowes



Dennis Hughes, Karin Swor, Milissa Brooks Ojibway and Allie Melander



Dennis Hughes, JoAnne Coombe and Arlene Whittaker



Mark Labovitz and Anne Labovitz



Ruth Frederick, David & Gladys Salmela and Harold Frederick



## THE DEPOT FOUNDATION

in support of arts and culture

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### PARTICIPATING MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

#### **Arrowhead Chorale**

Jody Ondich, *Chorale Coordinator*

#### **Duluth Art Institute**

Anne Dugan, *Interim Director*

#### **Duluth Children's Museum**

Michael Garcia, *President*

#### **Duluth Playhouse**

Christine Gradl Seitz,  
*Executive and Artistic Director*

#### **Duluth Superior Symphony Orchestra**

Rebecca Lynn Petersen,  
*Executive Director*

#### **Historic Union Depot**

Ken Buehler, *Executive Director*

#### **Lake Superior Railroad Museum**

Ken Buehler, *Executive Director*

#### **Matinee Musicale**

Charlotte Taylor, *Board President*

#### **Minnesota Ballet**

Robert Gardner, *Artistic Director*

#### **St. Louis County Historical Society**

JoAnne Coombe, *Executive Director*

### DEPOT FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Richard Fischer, *Chair*

Jean B. Olson, *Vice Chair*

Melinda Machones, *Treasurer*

Tom Whittaker, *Secretary*

Linda Boben • Laura Budd

Pat Cutshall • Ben Fornear

Rob Hofmann • Dexter Larsen

Renee Mattson • Marla Thibodeau

Pete Weidman

## HELP US HONOR OUR ARTS AND CULTURE LEADERS

Who do YOU think has made a significant contribution to the arts and culture of our region? An artist – volunteer – philanthropist – administrator – organization? Here is an opportunity to recognize and thank those who have made our region a vibrant cultural hub.

Established in 1999, the Depot Foundation Arts and Culture Awards celebrate the efforts of outstanding individuals and organizations. *Please help by nominating an individual or organization for each or any of the following awards:*

***Lifetime Achievement Award*** recognizes lifetime contributions to the arts and culture of our region.

***Community Enrichment Award*** recognizes bold steps taken to strengthen the arts and culture of our region.

***Initiative Award*** recognizes those individuals or organizations demonstrating exemplary initiative in creating opportunities in, or expanding access to, the arts and culture of our region.

***Historic Preservation Award*** recognizes an individual, organization or project that has made a substantial impact on historic preservation and/or interpretation in the region.

***Artist Award*** recognizes an artist whose distinguished career has made significant contributions to the development of both artists and the arts.

***Lifetime Artist Award*** recognizes an Arrowhead Region artist whose lifetime artistic excellence, dedication and vision have made a positive impact on our community.

Nomination forms are available on our website, [www.depotfoundation.org](http://www.depotfoundation.org) or call the Depot Foundation office at (218) 279-9913 for information. Deadline is **May 30, 2014**. Then join us on October 22nd at our fifteenth annual *Circle of Friends Celebration* honoring Depot Foundation members and the *Arts and Culture Awards* recipients.