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TWELFTH CYCLE OF FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM FOR VISUAL ARTISTS ANNOUNCED

Greater Milwaukee Foundation’s Mary L. Nohl Fund Fellowships for Individual Artists Program to Recognize Seven Artists in 2014

The Bradley Family Foundation, in collaboration with the Greater Milwaukee Foundation, announces the twelfth cycle of the prestigious fellowship program for visual artists. The program, funded by the Greater Milwaukee Foundation’s Mary L. Nohl Fund, provides unrestricted funds for artists to create new work or complete work in progress. Under the terms of the program, seven fellowships will be awarded in 2014: three for established artists ($15,000 each) and four for emerging artists ($5,000 each). The program is open to practicing artists residing in the four-county area comprised of Milwaukee, Waukesha, Ozaukee, and Washington counties. Seventy-four fellowships have been awarded since the program began in 2003.

Applications and guidelines for the twelfth cycle of the fellowship program will be available beginning Tuesday, September 2, 2014. The electronic application will be available on the web at <http://lyndensculpturegarden.org/nohl> beginning at 10 am.Completed applications are due no later than Thursday, October 2, 2014. If you are unable to access the electronic application, you may receive application materials and complete eligibility requirements by contacting Polly Morris at (414) 446-8794 or by e-mail at pmorris@lyndensculpturegarden.org. Awards will be announced on Monday, November 3, 2014.

Three public workshops will be offered to help applicants better understand the application process. Polly Morris, executive director of the Lynden Sculpture Garden, who administers the fellowship program, will be joined by current and past Nohl Fellows at these informal sessions. The workshops are free and open to new applicants as well as those who have applied in the past.

* Monday, September 8, 2014, 6-7:30 pm at Ayzha Fine Arts Gallery, The Shops at the Grand Avenue Mall, 275 W. Wisconsin Ave., 2nd floor (enter at 3rd Street & Wisconsin Avenue). This session is co-sponsored by Wisconsin Visual Artists.
* Wednesday, September 10, 2014, 6-7:30 pm at Walker’s Point Center for the Arts, 839 S. 5th St.

 This session is co-sponsored by WPCA.

* Sunday, September 14, 2014, 10:30 am-12 noon at Jazz Gallery, a Riverwest Community Art Center, 926 E. Center St. This session is co-sponsored by Riverwest Artist Association.

Artist Mary L. Nohl of Fox Point, Wisconsin, died in December 2001 at the age of 87. Her $9.6 million bequest to the Greater Milwaukee Foundation is one of the largest gifts the Foundation has received from a single donor in its 99-year history. The Fund, by supporting local visual arts and arts education programs, keeps Nohl’s passion for the visual arts alive in the community.

The 2014 Nohl Fellows will be selected by a panel of recognized visual arts professionals working outside the four-county area: Courtney Fink, Executive Director, Southern Exposure, San Francisco; Daniel Fuller, Director of the Institute of Contemporary Art at the Maine College of Art, Portland; and Naima J. Keith, Assistant Curator at The Studio Museum in Harlem, New York.

In addition to receiving an award, the Nohl Fellows will participate in an exhibition in the autumn of 2015. An exhibition catalogue will be published and disseminated nationally.

A reception honoring the seven fellows selected in the 2013 cycle of the competition—Ray Chi, Sheila Held and Special Entertainment (Bobby Ciraldo & Andrew Swant) in the Established Artist category; and Emerging Artists Cris Siqueira, Tim Stoelting, Eddie Villanueva and Josh Weissbach--will be held in conjunction with the opening of the Fellowship Exhibition on Friday, October 10, 2014. The opening of the exhibition at INOVA, 2155 N. Prospect Ave., begins at 5 pm and is free and open to the public.

The Mary L. Nohl Fund Fellowship program also includes a Suitcase Fund for exporting work by local artists beyond the four-county area. The twelfth cycle of the Suitcase Export Fund will open on Monday, December 1, 2014, when the electronic application and guidelines will become available at http://lyndensculpturegarden.org/nohl.

The Greater Milwaukee Foundation is a family of more than 1,200 individual charitable funds, each created by donors to serve the local charitable causes of their choice. Grants from these funds serve people throughout Milwaukee, Waukesha, Ozaukee and Washington counties. Started in 1915, the Foundation is one of the oldest and largest community foundations in the world.

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