## Minnesota State Arts Board Awards Grants to three faculty members and one alumnus for 2015

**St. Paul, Minn.** – The Minnesota State Arts Board has awarded grants to three faculty members and one alumnus for 2015.

**Eric W. Carroll** of Minneapolis is a visiting assistant professor in the Art and Art History Department who teaches photography. He was awarded \$10,000 and was one of 19 who received a photography grant. Carroll will explore Minnesota's scientific community by photographing some of the tools, spaces, and people who identify as scientists in different parts of the state. He will present his project *G.U.T. Feeling*, through an exhibition in the Twin Cities and in public lectures around the state.

**Cléa M. Galhano** of Saint Paul is a visiting music instructor in the Music Department and directs the Macalester Early Music Ensemble. She was awarded \$10,000 and was one of 20 who received a music grant. She will record a CD of Latin music from her cultural heritage, reaching out to the Latin community in the Twin Cities and introducing them to a new repertory of music from Brazil, Argentina, and Cuba. A CD release event is planned for Sundin Hall in Saint Paul.

**Jonathan W. Kaiser** of Minneapolis, a 2001 Macalester graduate, was awarded \$10,000 and was one of 58 to receive a visual arts grant. Kaiser will present an exhibition of new artwork that uses experimental photographic processes to explore the relationships between the human body and architecture. An exhibition in the Twin Cities is being planned.

**Megan E. Vossler** of Minneapolis is a visiting assistant professor of drawing in the Art and Art History Department. She was awarded \$10,000 and was one of 58 who received a visual arts grant. Vossler will create new work based on the description of landscape and natural phenomena in Dante's *Inferno*. She will present a public talk at the Soo Visual Arts Center and for the art department at Mankato State University about her new work, and the connections between art and literature.

The Minnesota State Arts Board is a state agency that stimulates and encourages the creation, performance, and appreciation of the arts in the state with individual artists and organizations. It provides financial support to artists at all stages of their careers and organizations throughout the state to ensure that all Minnesotans have the opportunity to participate in the arts. The Minnesota State Legislature, the National Endowment for the Arts and private donors provide funding for Arts Board programs.

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