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Kamloops Arts Council 7 Seymour St W, Kamloops, BC V2C 1E4

Dear Grant Committee,

I am writing to apply for a grant from the Kamloops Arts Council to support my artistic project, which focuses on the intersection of light installation art, astronomy, and color. As an emerging artist, I have recently completed my Bachelor of Fine Arts degree and have developed a unique blend of oil painting and light art that reflects my interest in the beauty of the universe and the human connection to it.

Project Title: Celestial Light - A Journey Through Art and Astronomy

Category: Community Development

Project Description:

My project aims to create an immersive and interactive art experience that encourages people to appreciate the beauty of the universe and rediscover their sense of wonder for the vast cosmos. The project will consist of two main components: light installation pieces and oil paintings.

Light Installations:

- 1. "Solar Eclipse" A circular convex glass, depicting the moon's surface, covered in 99.3% light-absorbent black paint, with LED lights attached to the back, projecting the eclipse onto a wall.
- 2. "Lunar Eclipse" A circular frame lined with red and blue LED lights on the inside and outside, covered by a sheet of rice paper, creating a soft, diffused light resembling a red moon and surrounding cosmos.

Oil Paintings:

- 1. "The Last Glimpse of Earth" Based on the Voyager's photograph of Earth, this painting captures the beauty and fragility of our home planet.
- 2. "Touching the Sky" A person lying in water, with fingers stretching towards the sky, illuminated by a beam of sunlight.
- 3. "Meteor Impact" A painting of a meteor striking the moon.
- 4. "Cosmic Campfire" A painting of a person near a multicolored fire, with colorful

stars emerging from the flames.

Project Goals and Objectives:

Create a space for community members to come together and experience the beauty of the universe, promoting a sense of unity and shared wonder.

Encourage individuals to look beyond their daily concerns and contemplate the vastness of the cosmos and their place within it.

Foster a greater appreciation for art as a means of exploring and understanding the world around us.

Grant Request and Budget:

I am requesting a grant of \$750 to cover the costs of materials, equipment, and exhibition space for this project. The funds will be used for:

1.LED lights and materials for light installations: \$300

2.Oil painting supplies: \$200

3.Exhibition space rental: \$250

With the support of the Kamloops Arts Council, I believe this project can create a unique and engaging experience for the local community, inspiring a renewed appreciation for both art and the wonders of the universe.

Thank you for considering my application. I am happy to provide additional information or documentation upon request.

Sincerely,

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