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## Yukon visual artists receive funding through latest intake of Advanced Artist Award

WHITEHORSE—Four Yukoners are receiving funding through the Advanced Artist Award to create new visual art works.

"This intake of the Advanced Artist Award is funding a diverse range of visual arts," Minister of Tourism and Culture Mike Nixon said. "The Yukon government remains committed to providing funding to the varied and vibrant arts community in the territory."

The four visual artists are among a total of 13 funding recipients. They will use their awards as follows:

- **Rosemary Scanlon:** Create a new body of work, including the exploration of new techniques at the Banff Centre—\$10,000
- **Evan Rensch:** Produce an exhibition of photographic works and video installations as thesis work for Master of Fine Art studies—\$5,000
- **Rebekah Miller:** Create a series of drawings, lithographs and installation pieces based around the notion of skin—\$5,000
- Elise Bousquet: Complete the Society of Botanical Artists Distance Learning Diploma and exhibit the completed pieces with a focus on Yukon flora—\$2,663

"The Advanced Artist Award funding will allow me to create work that explores the notion of skin as clothing," Rebekah Miller said. "This project will help me strengthen a prior body of work for exhibition and other means of dissemination."

This is the first Advanced Artist Award intake since the funding amounts were doubled. Established artists may apply for "A Level" funding of up to \$10,000 and "B Level" funding of up to \$5,000. The increase was a response to the Yukon Arts Advisory Council which recommended a funding increase so artists would have the potential to undertake larger projects over a longer period of time.

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