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Art Papers to Receive \$40,000 Grant from the National Endowment for the Arts

[Atlanta, Georgia]—National Endowment for the Arts Chairman Jane Chu has approved more than \$80 million in grants as part of the NEA's second major funding announcement for fiscal year 2018. Included in this announcement is an Art Works grant of \$40,000 to Art Papers to support content development for ART PAPERS magazine and ARTPAPERS.org and production of related public educational programming.

"The variety and quality of these projects speaks to the wealth of creativity and diversity in our country," said NEA Chairman Jane Chu. "Through the work of organizations such as Art Papers in Atlanta, NEA funding invests in local communities, helping people celebrate the arts wherever they are."

"Art Papers is extremely grateful to the National Endowment for the Arts for their continued belief in and support of our programming," stated Saskia Benjamin, Art Papers Executive Director. "We are pleased that the NEA has chosen to help make possible an ambitious year of programming around the theme of Art of the Built Environment, a topic that is resonant here in Atlanta and in cities across the globe."

"There is no doubt that Atlanta is a city experiencing rapid growth making Atlanta's art scene uniquely poised to engage in research and dialogue about art's relationship to the built environment. We feel that Art Papers is especially able to engage in and lead these conversations. It is our hope that topics covered this year become the basis for future dialogue across disciplines so there is greater understanding that the arts are a powerful tool in a city's toolbox that can be deployed to solve real world problems, and are more than just a decorative flourish at the end of a project," stated Benjamin.

The Art Works category is the NEA's largest funding category and supports projects that focus on the creation of art that meets the highest standards of excellence, public engagement with diverse and excellent art, lifelong learning in the arts, and/or the strengthening of communities through the arts.

For more information on projects included in the NEA grant announcement, visit arts.gov/news.

More about Art Papers

Art Papers is an Atlanta-based nonprofit organization with an educational mission to provide accessible forums for documenting, examining, commissioning, and presenting contemporary art and culture in the world today. We do this in print, online, and in person through our magazine, website, and live programs respectively. We support the careers of working artists and writers, connect Atlanta and its cultural community to the global art world, and explore the ways in which art is both a lens to better understand the world around us, and a tool for creating vibrant communities. Visit ARTPAPERS.org to learn more.

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