Frye Art Museum / Artist Trust Consortium

This project addresses the greatest need of the Washington State arts community: support of exceptional artists who – despite national and at times international fame and recognition – often struggle to meet the basic necessities of life and to establish sustainable careers.

By linking the award of financial grants to artists with support for the production, exhibition, and documentation of their work as well as professional development, The Raynier Institute & Foundation is providing an unprecedented level of recognition and support for exceptional Washington State artists and artist groups.

The grant will support the following:

**The James W. Ray Distinguished Artist Award**

An unrestricted award of $50,000 given annually to recognize artists of all disciplines living and working in Washington State whose work demonstrates exceptional originality. The grant is intended to free artists to advance their creative work. Collaborative work will be considered.

The grant will be administered through Artist Trust on behalf of the Artist Trust / Frye Art Museum Consortium under the designation The James W. Ray Distinguished Artist Award.

The award will be made annually over a period of five years (2014 to 2018).

**The James W. Ray Venture Project Award**

Two restricted awards of $15,000 each given annually to support the development of new ideas, artistic excellence, and individual and collaborative projects by artists of all disciplines living and working in Washington State whose work demonstrates exceptional originality.

The projects will be presented at the Frye Art Museum and/or at another venue to be selected by the Frye Art Museum.

The grant will be administered through the Artist Trust on behalf of the Artist Trust / Frye Art Museum Consortium under the designation The James W. Ray Venture Project Award.

The award will be made annually over a period of five years (2014 to 2018).
The Raynier Institute & Foundation Exhibition

A one-time restricted grant of $450,000 made to the Frye Art Museum to support Raynier Institute & Foundation Exhibitions which showcase exceptional Washington State artist(s) within a local and global context over a period of five years (2014 to 2018), not necessarily in equal amounts.

The funds will be used to organize, present, and possibly tour the Raynier Institute & Foundation Exhibitions to be curated by the Frye Art Museum.

The exhibitions will include the work of James W. Ray Distinguished Artists as well as that of recipients of James W. Ray Venture Project Awards from 2014 to 2018.

The grant will be administered by the Frye Art Museum on behalf of the Frye Art Museum / Artist Trust Consortium under the designation Raynier Institute & Foundation Exhibition.

The award will be made in 2013 to support the Raynier Institute & Foundation Exhibition over a period of five years (2014 to 2018).

The Raynier Institute & Foundation Publication

A one-time restricted grant of $90,000 made to the Frye Art Museum to support the documentation of Raynier Institute & Foundation Exhibitions over a period of five years (2014 to 2018).

The grant will be administered by the Frye Art Museum on behalf of the Frye Art Museum / Artist Trust Consortium under the designation Raynier Institute & Foundation Publication.

This award will be made in 2013 to support three Raynier Institute & Foundation Publications over a period of five years (2014 to 2018).

Artist Support Grant

A restricted grant of $10,000 annually made to Artist Trust to support professional growth and career development opportunities for James W. Ray Distinguished Artist award recipients from 2014 to 2018.

Recipients will be offered flexible, individualized programs of advisory support and have access to artist advisors, consultants, business and financial planning, and other training opportunities offered through Artist Trust’s Creative Career Center, which will enable them to acquire skills that enhance their capacity for creative and professional success and help them achieve their goals.

The grant will be administered by Artist Trust on behalf of the Artist Trust / Frye Art Museum Consortium.