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Dear Dawn:

Thank you for your information about the fundraiser for the UAS Artist Residency Fund, we are happy that you have included us in your emails about the fundraiser and delighted to hear that it is going into its second year. I am pleased to forward to you, on behalf of Gordon and myself a donation of \$250.00 which we hope helps this year's recipient pursue their artist interests.

When you first told me about the project and the purpose of the funds I thought it was a very unique and original idea. I really liked the format you had developed, getting fellow artists to help one another to attend a residency program is a wonderful way of the art community coming together. This type of approach also puts the artist in charge of the success of the event, the motivation to gather donations and mobilise support for the fundraiser is an empowering exercise for an artist. The premise of "what you put in, you get out" is a very good guiding principle. As well, your idea of leaving money in a "seed" fund for the next year's fundraiser shows your ongoing personal commitment to promoting and supporting your fellow artists. To support you in this special fundraiser, we wanted to offer a donation to help with this year's event. We hope that the donation that we send care of yourself will add to the funds that have been allocated for this year's event.

Also, I wanted to personally thank you for inviting me to visit you while you were on your residency in France. I really enjoyed my few days at CAMAC, meeting the other international artists and seeing the new art work that you developed was very interesting. Who can forget driving around in the "deux cheveaux"! What a wonderful opportunity you had in attending this residency in Marney Sur Seine in France last year. I know that is why you are working to ensure that the event continues so that others may benefit from that experience as well. Your foresight and drive to see that other artists also receive the opportunity to attend a residency program is to be commended.

Please let us know the result of this year's fundraiser, we would love to know how it goes. We hope the artist who benefits from this year's fund will have the experience of exploring new artistic ideas and discover a whole new world! Best of success with the Artist Residency Fund project!

Sincerely,

Dolores Maisonneuve