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NEW HAMPSHIRE INSTITUTE OF ART RECEIVES GRANT FROM VERIZON FOUNDATION

MANCHESTER, NH – The New Hampshire Institute of Art is proud to announce the receipt of a \$10,000 grant from the Verizon Foundation to support the campus Writing Studio.

The Writing Studio is a critical component benefiting the liberal arts and studio curriculum in the BFA, Certificate and Continuing Education programs at the Institute. The writing studio supports students' writing skills and helps to increase the clarity and power of their written work. In addition it serves as access to research tools, academic accommodations and digital software, all provided free of charge.

The Verizon Foundation defines portions of their charitable giving to support literacy and understands the important role technology plays in today's learning environment. By supporting the Writing Studio expansion, the Verizon Foundation will continue to make an impact on students' abilities to express themselves with the written word. "The Verizon Foundation is focused on improving literacy skills in America and helping students develop important e-learning skills," said Jill Healey Wurm, Public Affairs Director, Verizon New Hampshire. "The challenge is not simply teaching people to read or write but helping them develop the necessary skills for jobs in the 21st century."

The Institute is honored to have the support of the Verizon Foundation to make the Writing Studio a stronger and more powerful tool for Institute students and the community.

The New Hampshire Institute of Art is the only independent college of art in New Hampshire and Vermont and is nationally accredited by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design. The Institute offers a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree along with non-credit continuing education and certificate programs.

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