

**Tacoma Artist Initiative Program
2001 – 2002 funding recipients**

Fritz Church

Visual Art

Fritz created a permanent public art piece from steel that is installed in South Tacoma.

Brent Hartinger & Michael Jensen

Literary Art

Brent and Michael produced a book of essays of black humor and social commentary entitled "Pee on the Toilet Seat". Essays from the book appeared in a guest column of the Tacoma News Tribune.

Fumiko Kimura

Visual Art

Fumiko created a new series of sumi on rice paper paintings that explored the relationship of light, space, and living subjects in the natural world. She exhibited her work at the Handforth Gallery and presented a gallery talk, demonstrations, and free classes to children and senior citizens during the exhibit period.

Peter West

Media Arts

Peter created a 30-minute documentary film based on extensive footage recorded by the late Michael McCallum that tells the story of Doc Hillyer and NW Trek. The film was made available for public viewing at NW Trek, the Washington State History Museum, and at Tacoma Public Libraries.

Tom Jones

Literary Art

Tom wrote a play which was set in Tacoma. Developmental readings were performed by Tacoma actors.

Kate Miner

Interdisciplinary

Kate created a body of hand-colored black and white photographs that were exhibited at the Sandpiper Gallery. She also taught a two part hand-coloring workshop at the Tacoma Art Museum.

Al Zantua

Visual Art

Al created a 7-foot high wood carving of an eagle in red cedar wood and in the style of the NW Coast Indians. The piece was raised and displayed at the University of Puget Sound.

Lucas Smiraldo

Interdisciplinary

Lucas created and produced "The Absence of Black" a one-man 'word opera' performance that confronted the subtle and tenacious continuation of racism in the American workforce. The work premiered at the new Evergreen State College in Tacoma.

Christopher Hoppin

Visual Art

Christopher produced a series of personal work for exhibition at the "D" Alley Art Center and at the Kickstand Café. He taught several free clay workshops for kids at the D Alley Art Center and provided exhibit opportunities for the students.

Roger Freiheit & Clement Reid

Performing Art

Roger and Clement presented a program of contemporary chamber music works and improvisation at the Broadway Center Rehearsal Hall.