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## Fund For Essential Compositional Tools

I am incredibly grateful to the Miller Arts Scholar program for the minigrant that allowed me to expand my compositional tools this spring and summer. As stated in my proposal, I have become very interested in composition for film and theatre in fall 2020 and spring 2021. Over the course of this past year I have worked as a composer on several student productions, several of which have been produced by other Miller Arts Scholars. I was only able to complete these projects, before I received my grant, by renting or borrowing tools from other composers. Now I will be able to work completely on my own which will be especially beneficial for the projects I have lined up for the upcoming fall semester.

The first item I requested was the software Logic Pro. This software is a DAW meaning it is a program that allows one to turn their computer into a recording studio at home. The second item I requested was an interface that allows a microphone to be connected to one's computer. The third item I requested was a microphone to record the music that I write into my computer. In my proposal I requested an sE7 condenser mic, but I had \$10 left over. I applied this \$10 to purchase another mic along with my arts award money which I have listed below. All of these things together allowed me to create my very own recording studio out of my laptop.

Attached are two short films that I composed for using this type of equipment from the spring semester. In the fall I have signed on to be the composer for fellow Miller Arts Scholar Claire Murphy's thesis project that she's making as a 30-40 minute film. I also received an arts award and am taking an independent study with Professor Rasbury to complete this project. The equipment I received from this grant will be the foundation of the tools that I need to compose and produce the score for this project. Again, I am grateful to the Miller Arts Scholar program for the opportunities and resources they have given me and look forward to sharing my upcoming work with the program.

### Budget:

<b>Expense:</b>	<b>Cost:</b>
Logic Pro	\$200
sE7 Mic	\$140
Scarlett Interface	\$150
SM57 Mic (from arts award)	\$124
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$614</b> (\$114 came from the arts award)

Pictures:

