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**IDYLLWILD ARTS ACADEMY STUDENTS
RECEIVE
"NEW AND EMERGING ARTIST GRANTS"
FROM THE TRANSATLANTIC ARTS
CONSORTIUM**

Idyllwild, California-February 8, 2010... Jana Morlan, producer for the Transatlantic Arts Consortium, has just announced that two Idyllwild Arts Academy students have received "New and Emerging Artist Grants" from the Transatlantic Arts Consortium.

Cyndi Huang, a senior Dance major from Taipei, Taiwan has received a grant to choreograph and produce a dance show, based on a blend of what she has learned at Idyllwild Arts and traditional Chinese dance. Details regarding the performance have not yet been announced. Ellen Rosa, Chair of the Dance Department, and Denise Boughey, Chair of the Interdisciplinary Arts Department, will supervise the project.

Visual Art senior Samara Liu from Taichung, Taiwan has been given a grant to design and construct her own fashion line. Samara will be supervised and mentored by Idyllwild Arts adjunct faculty member Darrell Gillette.

The "New and Emerging Artist Grants" are competitively selected grants that support deserving young artists in their creative endeavors and artistic development. Idyllwild Arts Academy students must complete a detailed proposal, budget and timeline and submit for review by a committee composed of the Dean of Arts, the Art Department Chairs, and the TAC Leadership. The Transatlantic Arts Consortium (TAC) which was formed in 2005 is an international collaboration between Idyllwild Arts, CalArts and Dartington Hall. The TAC partners hold a common belief in the transformational power of the arts and a commitment to emerging generations of new talent.

Past recipients of the "New and Emerging Artist Grants" include

Kathleen Burke (IAA Class of 2008) who wrote, directed and produced her own theatrical work, "Rules of the Fifth Wall", at the Brava Theatre in San Francisco in July of 2009, academy alumna Amy Claussen (IAA Class of 2005) who created and performed her own one woman show, "Quarter Life", at the New York Fringe Festival in the Summer of 2009, and Visual Art graduate Quoi Alexander (IAA Class of 2009) who designed and created his own fashion line and produced a runway presentation to showcase his garments.

For more information on how you can help support young, gifted artists, please contact the Idyllwild Arts Foundation at 951-659-2171 ext. 2432 or visit the giving page at www.idyllwildarts.org to find out all the different ways you can support Idyllwild Arts. Press inquiries for Idyllwild Arts can be directed to Jeff Hocker at 760-320-5272 or jhocker@idyllwildarts.org.