UMass Arts Council
Mini Grants Awarded
2009-2010

$250  **B.A.S.I.C. Fall Gospel Concert**/Brothers and Sisters in Christ-RSO
B.A.S.I.C. will be hosting their annual fall gospel concert featuring eight performance groups, including students. October 30, 2009, 7pm, Student Union Ballroom.

$350  **10th Annual Mark Roskill Symposium in Art History**/Department of Art, Architecture and Art History
Keynote speaker Dr. Paul Staiti will highlight this student organized symposium in Art History. November 13, 2009, 1pm, 231 Herter Hall.

$750  **“The Laramie Project”**/UMass Theatre Guild-RSO
An undergraduate production of Moises Kaufman’s “The Laramie Project” will take place November 6-8, 2009 at various times, Herter 227.

$400  **Visiting Writers Series: Olstein and Wolff**/MFA Program for Poets and Writers
Authors Lisa Olstein and Rebecca Wolff will read their work and answer questions as part of the “Visiting Writers Series”. October 22, 2009, 8pm, Memorial Hall.

$500  **Visiting Writers Series: Sam Lipsyte**/MFA Program for Poets and Writers
Fiction writer Sam Lipsyte will read his work. December 3, 2009, 8pm, Memorial Hall.

$400  **Hip Hop Arts Workshops**/Student Bridges-RSO
Middle school students from Holyoke and Springfield will come to campus to create artwork for “Hip Hop Evolution”, developing college awareness and bringing communities together through art. October 24, 2009, 10am-6pm, Student Union Craft Center.

$600  **Visiting Writers Series: Donald Antrim**/MFA Program for Poets and Writers
Fiction reading by author Donald Antrim. February 18, 2010, 8pm, Memorial Hall.

$500  **“BUG”**/Department of Theater
Student production of Tracy Letts’ “Bug” to be held April 8-10, 2010 in FAC 204.

$500  **MFA Thesis Exhibitions**/Graduate Arts Student Associations-GSO

$600  **“The Sweet World”**/Department of Theater
Student production of “The Sweet World” including active collaboration with the playwright. May 1-5, 2010 in FAC 02.

$295  **“Loophole”**/Communications Department
A short documentary will be created examining how prohibited persons are in fact able to purchase guns from gun shows. Screening anticipated February, 2010.

$500  **“The Lifetime Adventures of Daniel Fergburger”**/Comparative Literature Department
More than 25 students will be involved in the creation of a short film, directed by Ben Leonberg. Filming will take place in the spring of 2010 with a screening to follow.
**MULTICULTURAL FILM FESTIVAL: CARYL PHILLIPS**/Interdepartmental Program in Film Studies
Caryl Phillips, professor and renowned Caribbean British writer, will introduce and discuss the film “Playing Away.” April 6-7, 2010, SOM137.

**MULTICULTURAL FILM FESTIVAL: BEACHES OF AGNES**/Interdepartmental Program in Film Studies
Filmmaker Agnes Varda will be speaking about her career and her film “Beaches of Agnes.” April 28, 2010, SOM137.

**INDIA NIGHT 2010**/Indian Students Assoc.-GSO
Cultural night featuring skits, slideshows and performances. Guest speaker Ilo Durandis from Haiti 2015. April 18, 2010, 6:30 pm, Student Union Ballroom.

**ASIAN SPRING FESTIVAL**/Pi Delta Psi Fraternity
Cultural event including traditional games and activities from a variety of Asian cultures (Chinese calligraphy, Japanese fish painting, and Indian henna tattoos). April 22, 2010, 10 am, Library Lawn.

**Polypore**/UMass Independent Film Production Club-RSO
30 students will be involved in the production of this feature length film. Work will be done throughout 2010, with screening February 24-25, 2011.

**Rhythms of Growth**/Art Department
Gemma Farrell will be displaying her BFA thesis work in ceramics, inspired by rhythms and patterns of life and growth. April 26, 2010, Durfee Garden.

**A+ Senior Showcase**/Department of Art, Architecture and Art History

**Hamlet: a 100-minute Adaptation**/Department of Theater
100 minute version of Hamlet, staying true to the original play with a modern twist and a cast of undergraduates and 2 alumni. April 28, 2010, 8pm, FAC 204.

**TCSA Cultural Night**/Taiwanese Chinese Student Association-RSO
Cultural event including various games, activities, and workshops to reflect Taiwanese and Chinese night markets (fish bowl toss, target shooting, calligraphy, charm-making, Asian clay figurine sculpting, and henna art). April 30, 2010, 5 pm, Student Union Ballroom.

**UStep Step Show Competition**/National Pan-Hellenic Council
Step performances and competition featuring local and regional teams. April 24, 2010, 7pm, Mullins Center.