ARIZONA ART TANK MEDIA COVERAGE

Television

"New Arts Funding"

KAET 8; Arizona Horizon; Host Ted Simons; November 14, 2013 "The Arizona Commission on the Arts received a one-time budget allocation of \$1 million for fiscal year 2014 from the state legislature. Arts Commission Executive Director Robert Booker will discuss the new funding."

"Artists Pitch Dream Projects in 6 Minutes or Less"

Arizona Public Media; Mark McClemore; January 30, 2014 "'Art Tank is about explaining your passion in clear terms to someone else that can help you achieve this passion,' said Arizona Commission on the Arts Executive Director Robert Booker."

Radio

"Art Tank: North Interview"

K-Jazz, 90.1FM Prescott; *Prescott Arts Beat*; Host Andrew Johnson-Schmit; January 19, 2014 "Musician John Searles, **AZ Commission on the Arts Deputy Director Jaime Dempsey** and I talk about a fantastic new grant program called **Art Tank**"

"Funding State Arts Organizations"

KJZZ, 91.5 FM Phoenix; *KJZZ Here & Now;* Host Steve Goldstein; January 22, 2014 "thanks to a one-time allocation, money from interest on the state's rainy day fund, the **Arizona Commission on the Arts** has introduced 'Arizona Art Tank.'"

"Dead Reckoning, Art Tank, Tomorrow's Theatre Tonight"

KQNA, 99.9 FM Prescott; Q&A; Host Sandy Moss; January 23, 2014 Prescott-area AM Radio Show interviews Andrew Johnson-Schmit about Arizona Art Tank: North.

Print

"Seed money goes to 'fast-pitch' venture artists"

Peoria Times; Carolyn Dryer; January 29, 2014

"Those are the words in the first two paragraphs for **Arizona Art Tank**, what is being described as 'an innovative new funding initiative designed by the **Arizona Commission on the Arts** to make strategic investments in Arizona's most promising and daring arts ventures.""

"Art Tank spreads 'seed money' for outside-the-box ideas"

Arizona Republic; Kerry Lengel; January 31, 2014

"The **Arizona Commission on the Arts** is looking to reality television to help it inject some entrepreneurial spirit, along with its annual infusion of cash, into the state's cultural sector."

"Art Tank gives Tucsonans a peek at the creative process and its funding"

Arizona Daily Star; Kathy Allen; February 2, 2014 "The **Arizona Commission on the Arts** is giving us all a peek into that process with its **Arizona Art Tank**."

"Arizona Art Tank a compelling peek at the 'process'"

Arizona Daily Star; Kathy Allen; February 4, 2014 *"If you ever doubt that art is important, can make a difference, check out the process that the* **Arizona Commission on the Arts** goes through."

"BlackBox Foundation gets \$4,000 from arts commission"

Casa Grande Dispatch; NA; February 7, 2014 "The BlackBox Foundation was awarded a \$4,000 grant Monday from **Arizona Art Tank South**, a funding initiative by the **Arizona Commission on the Arts**."

"Smoki Museum Receives Grant to Repair 'Nellie's Basket"

The Hopi Tutuveni; NA; February 18, 2014

"**The Arizona Commission on the Arts** awarded \$5,500 to the Smoki Museum in Prescott for their campaign to repair 'Nellie Quamalla's Basket', the world's largest Hopi basket."

Online

"The Arizona 'Art Tank' Experiment"

Barry's Blog, Westaf.org; Barry Hessenius; February 17, 2014 "Arizona Art Tank is a funding initiative of the Arizona Commission on the Arts that makes strategic investments in Arizona's best arts-based entrepreneurial ventures."

"Shark Tank' For The Arts? Here's How It Worked In Arizona"

ArtsJournal; NA; February 17, 2014

"Inspired by the ABC series 'Shark Tank,' the agency last week hosted four **Art Tank** events, in Peoria, Chandler, Prescott and Tucson, where applicants were given six minutes to pitch a project or idea."

"Arizona Art Tank to Grant Arts Funding Before Live Audience"

Phoenix New Times; Katrina Montgomery; January 23, 2014

"The **Arizona Commission on the Arts** is shaking things up this month with Arizona Art Tank, a new funding initiative designed to give public awards to entrepreneurial arts ventures across the Valley."

"A Light Rail Tale"

Art Musings; Lynn Trimble; January 28, 2014 "During the first of four Arizona Art Tank events being presented by the Arizona Commission on the Arts, Rising Youth Theatre shared plans to engage youth in taking theater performance to the light rail."

"Art Tank North Results!"

Prescott Arts Beat Blog; Andrew Johnson-Schmit; February 11, 2014 "Final results from last night's **Art Tank North** grant pitching session at Prescott College. (All grant money and this event itself courtesy of the **Arizona Commission on the Arts**)."

"ASU Herberger Institute dives into Arizona Art Tank, comes up big winner"

ASU News; Deborah Sussman Susser; February 26, 2014

"Entrepreneurial ventures led by Herberger Institute students, faculty and alumni swept the top prizes at both Art Tank East and Art Tank West last month, taking home a substantial chunk of the more than \$120,000 in seed money distributed by the **Arizona Commission on the Arts** during the event" "BlackPoet Ventures Members Vie For \$10K In Arizona Art Tank Seed Funding"

PHXSoul.com; N/A; January 23, 2014

"Valley-based performing arts company BlackPoet Ventures is among 32 artists/arts organizations vying for \$10,000 at the first-ever Arizona Art Tank, a grant program of the Arizona Commission on the Arts."

"TUSD's Opening Minds through the Arts program reels in \$7,500 at Art Tank competition"

TUSD In the Spotlight; NA; February 7, 2014

"Tucson Unified School District's Opening Minds through the Arts (OMA) program won first runner-up and \$7,500 in an **Arizona Commission of the Arts competition** on Feb. 3."