

## Grant Writing Workshop

for Arts Organizations, Community Groups & Schools



Tuesday, July 11th

**5:30-6:30 p.m.**



Held at the Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council Office

105 22nd Avenue NE, Waseca, MN

(At the intersection of Hwy. 13 N. and 22nd Ave. NE)

**RSVP by Monday, July 10th to [plrac@hickorytech.net](mailto:plrac@hickorytech.net).**

**New applicants are encouraged to attend!** Past applicants may call to discuss their grant, budget and any changes to their arts activities; and don't need to attend in person.

## **Prairie Lakes Grants for FY 2018 Will Begin on July 1, 2017**

**The Arts & Cultural Heritage Deadline is August 1, 2017, and the maximum grant is \$8,000 with a 50% cash match.** The ACH Festival grant maximum is \$5,000 and ACH Education Grants to Schools are \$4,000. These grants require goals, measurable outcomes & a survey of participants. Details about grant deadlines & amounts are on pages 2-3. A variety of activities including art and music festivals, community choirs, dance performances, literary readings, instrumental and vocal music concerts, theater productions, visual art classes and exhibitions are eligible.

**There is a July 1st and August 1st deadline** for State funded Small Art Project and School Arts -In-Education grants for a maximum of \$2,000; with a 25% cash match; this remains the same.



## 25th Annual Prairie Lakes Regional Art Exhibition

**Entry Date: Monday, Sept. 18, 2:30-5:30 p.m.**

**Entry Fee is \$10 per piece, 2 pieces max.**

Entry Form is on pages 7-9.

**Cash Prizes totaling \$1,300**

Artists - Bring original work to:

**Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave.**



Dates of  
Show:  
**Sept. 23  
to Oct. 22,  
2017**

### **Gallery Hours:**

Tues. & Wed. 1-6 p.m., Thurs. 1-8 p.m. Fri. 1-5 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sun. 1-5 p.m.

# Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council has Two Board Positions Open.

**Application Deadline is July 21, 2017**

The Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council has two vacant positions on the Board for representatives from **Martin County and the City of Fairmont.**

The deadline for submitting an application is July 21, 2017. Interested persons residing in these areas should contact Brenda Byron, Executive Director of PLRAC at (800) 298-1254 or [plrac@hickorytech.net](mailto:plrac@hickorytech.net) to find out more about our board. **We will email you a Board Application and a list of responsibilities.**

The Council seeks to appoint people who represent a cross-section of art forms as well as various arts perspectives: Artists, teachers, and representatives of arts organizations. We are especially interested in having dancers or people who are familiar with dance, writers and literary artists apply for the Board.

Board members serve a three year term. Some Board Members may be reappointed if they have served only one term. **Monthly evening meetings are held the fourth Thursday of the month in Mankato, at Bethany Lutheran College.** Board members are reimbursed for their mileage to meetings. Attendance at several PLRAC funded arts events per year is required.



## FY 2018 PLRAC GRANT DEADLINES

July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018

Organizational Grants - Non-profit arts organizations, community groups, schools, or public organizations producing or sponsoring arts activities for their community are eligible. Fundable projects may include: community choirs & bands, dance activities, literary readings, music presentations, theatre productions, visual arts classes and exhibitions, etc. Maximums for the Arts & Cultural Heritage grants vary as well as matching fund requirements; check guidelines for details. **Organizations can only receive one grant per year.** Details are on pages 3-4.

Artist Grants - Are for specific projects that will enhance your arts career. Applications are online at [www.plrac.org](http://www.plrac.org).

### Arts-In-Education & Small Arts Project - \$2,000

1st of the Month Deadline  
July 1, 2017 to May 1, 2018

### Youth Scholarship Grades 7-12 - \$300

October 1 Deadline

### Youth Scholarship Grades 3-6 - \$200

November 1 Deadline

### Arts and Cultural Heritage Grant

\$8,000

ACH Education- \$4,000  
Arts Festivals - \$5,000

August 1 Deadline &  
February 1 Deadline

### Professional Mid-Career Artist Grant - \$3,000

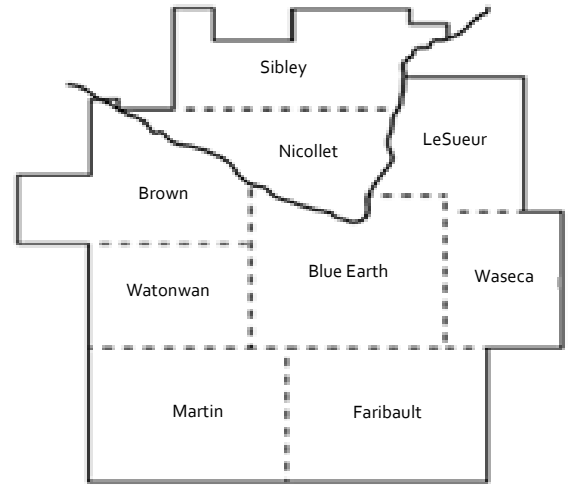
September 15 Deadline

### Artist Career Development Grant - \$1,000

January 15 Deadline

**All grant applications are online in 2017-18.**

A tutorial that explains the online process is on our website.



**FY 2018 Arts and Cultural Heritage Grant**  
**Deadlines are: Aug. 1 and Feb. 1**

**1. Arts and Arts Access – Maximum \$8,000.**

Proposals are for **arts programming** by an organization, maintaining on-going arts programs and services, and offering new and different activities. A variety of activities including art and music festivals, community choirs, dance performances, literary readings, instrumental and vocal music concerts, theater productions, visual art classes and exhibitions are eligible.

Also equipment that enhances the artistic capabilities of the organization. **Equipment** may include office equipment and software, instruments, risers, theater lighting, theater curtains, sound system, display cases, etc. This also includes **public art**, sculpture, murals, etc; and activities that plan to reach **new audiences** such as youth, ethnic groups, senior citizen groups, etc. and engage the public in new ways. A 50% cash match is required.

**2. ACH Arts Education:**  
**There are three categories of support.**

A. Schools – Maximum \$4,000. This is available to all public or private non-parochial elementary, middle or secondary schools (K-12) in the nine county area. Grants may fund Artist residencies, live art performances, mini-workshops or arts related field trips. A 10% cash match is required for schools.



B. Non-profit and Community Groups – \$4,000

C. Youth Scholarship for Students (7-12) – \$300, and grades (3-6) - \$200. Students have the opportunity to study their chosen art with a practicing professional artist, take lessons, attend an arts workshop, series of classes, etc. This is for all Art disciplines. Deadline for grades 7-12 is October 1; and grades 3-6 is November 1.

**3. ACH Arts & Music Festivals - Maximum \$5,000.** For arts and music festivals and activities that represent diverse ethnic and cultural arts traditions. A 50% cash match is required.

**Small Arts Project Grant**

Non-profit arts organizations, community groups, or public organizations producing or sponsoring arts activities for their community are eligible. These are matching grants up to \$2,000 and may not exceed 75% of the project cost. Fundable activities include: community bands, choirs, theatre events, dance activities, literary readings, visual arts exhibitions and classes, etc. **Deadline: 1st of each month.**

**Arts-In-Education Grant**

Grants are for **public and private schools K-12.** Matching grants up to \$2,000 are available to fund Artist residencies, live art performances, mini-workshops or arts related field trips.  
**Deadline: 1st of each month.**

**Individual Artist Grant**

These McKnight Artist Grants are for specific projects that contribute directly to an Artists growth and professional development in dance, music, theater or visual art. Funds may be used for matting and framing, equipment, attending a workshop, studio time, or studying with a mentor, etc. Deadlines are:

**September 15** - Professional Mid-Career Artist Grant, \$3,000 each.

**January 15** - Artist Career Development Grant, \$1,000 each.

## In 2017-2018 All PLRAC Grant Applications will be Online.

We will continue the online Grants Management System from Foundant technologies for all our grant programs!

**Applicant Login**

The “Applicant Login” button can be seen on the Home page and the Grant Programs page of the PLRAC Website.  
<http://www.plrac.org/grants.html>

### New Grant Applications are available July 1, 2017.

On the “Grants Program Page” of the website, each is a downloadable link. Four program grants are listed:

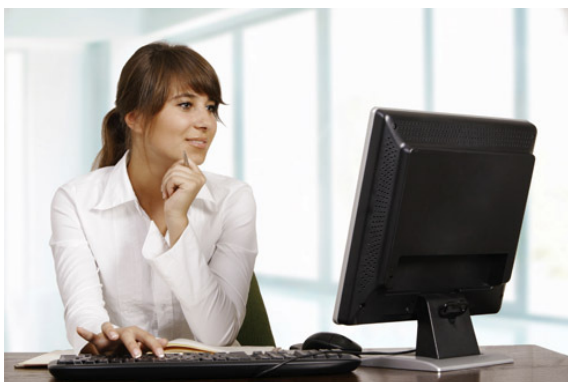
- Arts and Cultural Heritage
- Youth Scholarship, grades 7-12 and 3-6
- Small Arts or Arts-In-Education for schools
- Artist Grant

### Prairie Lakes has identified three primary goals for this change to online applications.

**Goal 1:** Increased accountability: Grantees will submit data collection information needed for our state funding, through the online application, which can be easily reported to the MN State Arts Board to document evaluation goals, outcomes, etc. that are needed for our Arts and Cultural Heritage funds.

**Goal 2:** Increase efficiency with the online application, contract, and final report for grantees.

**Goal 3:** Allow our Prairie Lakes board members to easily read, comment and score applications in a secure online format.



## In FY 2017 Prairie Lakes awarded 273 Grants totaling \$464,120

Here’s a summary of Grants awarded:

- \$45,000** - McKnight Artist Grants (27 grants)
- \$85,032** - State General funds (52 grants)
- \$334,088** - Arts and Cultural Heritage (ACH) (194 grants); 48 organizational grants & 146 Youth scholarships.

### The three categories of ACH grants and the amounts awarded were:

- (1) Arts Programming/Arts Access \$267,388, which includes grants to 38 nonprofit arts organizations and community groups, for their arts programs and activities.
- (2) Arts Education \$50,300, which includes 5 school grants and 146 Youth Scholarships of \$300 or \$200 each.
- (3) Arts & Cultural Heritage Festival grants were awarded to 5 events, for \$16,400.

## Prairie Lakes Board of Directors

Blue Earth County .....	Liz Miller
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Sibley County .....	Dennis Van Moorlehem
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### Staff

Executive Director .....	Brenda Byron
Program Manager .....	Cindy Lewer
Administrative Assistant...	Pam Trumbull



# RURAL ARTS AND CULTURE SUMMIT

The Rural Arts Summit was  
held June 6-8, 2017 in Morris



Above (L to R): Susan Hayes, Montgomery; Carolyn Borgen, New Ulm; Brenda Byron, Waseca; Maureen Gunderson, Montgomery and Lillian Robinson, Blue Earth.



Photo on Right: Dana Sikkila, N. Mankato & Brenda created artwork at the Arts Summit.

The Rural Arts Summit included two days of keynote speakers and discussion panels on broad themes, and some 22 breakout sessions on more specific working topics and performances to demonstrate the conference theme of inclusion in action. The session “**Creating Inclusive Rural Places Through the Arts**” featured Michael Strand, head of visual arts at North Dakota State University; Carlton Turner, executive director of Alternative Roots, Utica, Mississippi; Meredith Moats, folklorist and founder of the McElroy House in Dardanelle, Arkansas; Anton Treuer, author and professor of Ojibway at Bemidji State University.

It is the only rural-oriented conference of its type in the United States. The purpose of the summit is to help local communities improve arts programming and reach all community members. This year the theme of inclusion explored ways of expanding artistic opportunities for artists and audiences, ultimately to expand the impact of the arts on forming stronger communities and local economies. For example, inclusion of older adults, minorities and youth in programming built around local heritage themes builds more cohesive communities and larger audiences. This message was heard by more than 400 people attending the summit from Minnesota and 22 states. Attendees included artists and arts organization management, educators, government representatives, legislators, funding organizations and students. “Attendance by local representatives was underwritten by the Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council”, noted Brenda Byron. We provided scholarships for five arts leaders to attend the Arts Summit.

Bringing local heritage-oriented opportunities from urban areas to rural settings localizes urban exposure to local history. The exchange of experiences often strengthens both urban and rural, and discovers commonalities between the two types of communities that opens understanding and conversation.

[http://www.crowrivermedia.com/big\\_fish\\_lifestyle/events/creating-opportunities-for-artists-and-audiences/article\\_bd522ffc-5ce4-50bb-ab61-046608b3a1c0.html](http://www.crowrivermedia.com/big_fish_lifestyle/events/creating-opportunities-for-artists-and-audiences/article_bd522ffc-5ce4-50bb-ab61-046608b3a1c0.html)

This year marked the fourth Rural Arts and Culture Summit, and the third to be held at Morris. Byron was pleased to be interviewed by UMN, Morris and here is an excerpt from the article. <https://news.morris.umn.edu/news/rac-2017>

“The summit creates an opportunity for arts leaders, arts enthusiasts, artists, and other people in economic development or teaching to come together,” says **Lill Robinson, director of the Blue Earth Town & Country Players.** “Having 300 people who are likeminded and want to build vibrant communities is great.” “The summit gives participants a chance to explore new ideas because they’re already doing a lot of things in their community,” says **Brenda Byron, director of the Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council.** “But you have to be inspired, and you have to nourish yourself to go back to your town and keep doing it, because the work is hard and takes a lot of personal time.”

For Robinson, Byron, and other participants, the summit created an opportunity to share ideas, inspire others, and be inspired to continue advocating for the arts in rural communities. For more information about the Rural Arts and Culture Summit visit:

[www.ruralartsandculturesummit.com](http://www.ruralartsandculturesummit.com).

**The Arts are big business in Minnesota.** This was the news shared by Sheila Smith, executive director of Minnesota Citizens for the Arts, who was a presenter at the Rural Arts and Culture Summit. The arts as an economic driver can in part be attributed to the **Legacy Amendment passed in 2008.** The arts industry and artists contributed almost \$2.1 billion (that’s billion) to the economy of Minnesota in 2016-17. This includes nearly \$33 million by non-profit arts organizations, their audiences and artists in southcentral Minnesota (the 9-county area served by Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council) and the statistics are \$20 million for the 18-county southwest Minnesota regional economy. For more information, [visit www.creativemn.org](http://www.creativemn.org).



## State-Wide Online Resources

### COMPAS

[www.compas.org](http://www.compas.org)

A Minnesota resource for artist residencies in the arts.

### Minnesota Citizens for the Arts

[www.artsmn.org](http://www.artsmn.org)

State-wide Arts Advocacy Organization.

### Minnesota Council of Nonprofits

[www.minnesotanonprofits.org](http://www.minnesotanonprofits.org)

Information and links about board governance, marketing, fundraising, etc.

### Minnesota State Arts Board

[www.arts.state.mn.us](http://www.arts.state.mn.us)

Artist and Organization Grant Information.

### Springboard for the Arts

[www.springboardforthearts.org](http://www.springboardforthearts.org)

Artists & non-profit arts groups workshops.

### Statewide Website for Artists & Organizations

[www.mnartists.org](http://www.mnartists.org)

The website showcases the work of over 4,500 MN Artists in all disciplines.

## Artist Studios Available:

Artist studios & music teachers can rent space for lessons at The Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com) or (507) 359-9222.

New Artist Studios at the Plaza. Functional space for artists and art organizations to rent. At 108 S. Minnesota Ave., St. Peter. Contact through Facebook "Studios at the Plaza", (507) 243-4284 or [studiosattheplaza@gmail.com](mailto:studiosattheplaza@gmail.com).

Studio Space Available for visual artists and musicians at Dreaming-Elk Studio, 28½ North Minnesota Street, New Ulm. [dreamingelkstudio@gmail.com](mailto:dreamingelkstudio@gmail.com) or (507) 327-2130.

## **Artists Seeking a Gallery Exhibition**

**What are the three main items an Artist needs to provide to the gallery?** 1. **Images of your work on a CD** (5-10 jpg images) or by email and a List of the artwork. 2. **Resume** 3 . **Artist Statement**

Each gallery may have a slightly different procedure so just email them an inquiry note. Some have a formal application process, so be sure to ask about their process and schedule. Many of the galleries in our region have their exhibition calendar booked for the next 12 months. However, a few may not so contact them. Some art center galleries are not booked that far in advance and could offer some flexibility to artists who are seeking an exhibition date in the near future.

Artists that are planning to apply for a PLRAC grant need to contact a gallery and inquire about having an exhibit at their location, since having an exhibition at the conclusion of their project, is required as part of the Prairie Lakes Artist Grant.

## Prairie Lakes Board of Directors and Staff



**Row 1** (L to R): Cindy Lewer, Program Manager; Carol Soma; Dana Sikkila; Gina Wenger; Jessica Barens; Brenda Byron, Executive Director; and Diane Harms. **Row 2:** Denice Evers; Randy Mediger; Dennis Van Moorlehem; Pam Trumbull, Administrative Assistant; Greg Wilkins; Charles Luedtke; Steve Davis; and Lauren Shoemaker.

# 25<sup>th</sup> Annual

## Prairie Lakes Regional Juried Art Exhibition

**September 23 to October 22, 2017**

Participation is open to all living artists age 16 and over residing in Blue Earth, Brown, Faribault, LeSueur, Martin, Nicollet, Sibley, Waseca, and Watonwan counties, subject to the conditions and rules outlined in this entry form. This regional exhibition is an opportunity for emerging and established artists to display their work in a professional setting.

### ENTRY DATE AND FEE

**Monday, September 18, 2:30 – 5:30 p.m.**

Artwork must be brought to the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 South Minnesota Avenue, St. Peter. No entries will be accepted via any type of delivery service.

**The Entry Form must be entirely completed for artwork to be entered.** You must retain the Receipt Card and present it when claiming your artwork after the selection process or at the end of the exhibition.

You may complete the Entry Form at the ACSP the day of entry. If you have questions about the form call the PLRAC office at 1-800-298-1254.

Each artist may submit artwork in one class or combination of classes, but only 2 works total per artist. The number of pieces selected per artist is at the discretion of the juror.

Entry fee: \$10.00 per piece, non-refundable.

Make checks payable to: Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council or PLRAC.

**Submission of work and entry card signature indicates acceptance of all conditions and waiver of liability.**

### TOTAL AWARDS - \$1,300

1 <sup>st</sup> Place - \$200	4 <sup>th</sup> Place	- \$125
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place - \$175	5 <sup>th</sup> Place	- \$100
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place - \$150	11 Certificates of Merit	- \$550
	<b>Total Cash Awards</b>	<b>\$1,300</b>

### ARTWORK SPECIFICATIONS

Original artwork completed by a single artist in the last 4 years, or since January 1, 2013, may be entered. Artwork by more than one person will not be accepted. Artwork must not have been executed under direct instructor supervision in a workshop or classroom. Works that were displayed at any previous PLRAC Regional Exhibitions may not be entered again. Works accepted for exhibition may not be withdrawn from the exhibition for any reason.

**PLRAC reserves the right to accept or reject any artwork submitted for this exhibition that does not meet these specifications.**

- ◆ **Media** including, but not limited to:

Drawing	Painting (Acrylic, Oil, Watercolor)
Fibers	Photography
Jewelry	Print Making
Mixed Media	Sculpture (Ceramics, Glass, Wood)
- ◆ **No** fragile artwork, installation pieces, diptych pieces, or artwork that requires electricity.
- ◆ **Size & Weight Restrictions**
  - 2-D work - **4ft. wide and high**, maximum of 20 lbs.
  - 3-D work - Free standing piece, maximum of 50 lbs.
- ◆ **Presentation**

All 2-D works must be structurally and visually appropriate for gallery presentation:

  - ◆ Canvasses must have finished edges, framed or painted, without staples showing.
  - ◆ Hanging Materials: **Wire and eye hooks required.** Sawtooth hangers are acceptable only on small frames (under 12”) or when already part of a plastic frame.
  - ◆ Works on paper should be framed. Works more than 24” in height or width must be under plexiglass. Exhibition style matting preferred, white or neutral colored mats generally 2-3 inches wide are suggested with black or dark colored frame.

### PUBLICITY FOR REGIONAL ART EXHIBITION

The Arts Center of Saint Peter and PLRAC reserve the right to photograph exhibited artwork for catalog, educational and publicity purposes. A printed brochure of the exhibiting artists will be available at the gallery. Artists who enter work into this exhibition will be granting PLRAC the right to photograph their artwork or person for publicity purposes in news releases, in the PLRAC Newsletter, PLRAC website [www.plrac.org](http://www.plrac.org), Facebook and YouTube.

## JUROR'S NOTIFICATION AND RETURN OF WORK

Artists will be notified by **email only** of the decision of the juror, by September 21. Artists are responsible for picking up artwork on these dates:

**Declined Artwork:** Fri., Sept. 22, 3:00-5:30 p.m.

**Accepted Artwork:** Sun., October 22, 3:00-5:00 p.m.

A friend or relative may pick up your artwork on the designated dates, but they must have the Receipt Card. Artwork not picked up on Sept. 22 or Oct. 22, will be taken to the PLRAC office in Waseca and special arrangements will have to be made to pick it up in Waseca. A transportation & storage fee of \$10 will be charged per piece. Artwork not picked up by October 24, 2017 will become the property of PLRAC.

## ARTS CENTER OF SAINT PETER Gallery Hours

Tuesday & Wednesday 1-6 p.m.,  
Thursday 1-8 p.m., Fri. & Sun. 1-5 p.m.,  
and Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

The Arts Center is handicapped accessible.

315 South Minnesota Avenue, St. Peter  
(507) 931-3630, [info@artscentersp.org](mailto:info@artscentersp.org), or  
[www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org).

### OPENING RECEPTION

**Saturday, Sept. 23, 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

Artists will be presented with their awards at the Opening Reception. All artists, family and friends are cordially invited to attend.

**The Awards Program is at 7:00 p.m.**

## LIABILITY AND INSURANCE

All artwork must have a value listed on the Entry Form, whether or not the work is for sale. Works that are entered are not insured until they are juried into the exhibition, Sept. 23 to Oct. 22, 2017. **Insurance coverage is provided for the duration of the exhibition only.** Although the utmost care and precaution will be taken to protect works, the PLRAC and the Arts Center of Saint Peter are not responsible for lost or damaged work before or after the exhibition period. Artists may wish to personally insure their artwork on their renter or homeowner's insurance.

## SALE OF ARTWORK

Artists may choose to offer their artwork for sale. The Arts Center of Saint Peter (ACSP) receives a Commission Fee of 30%, which will be deducted from the price of any works sold during the exhibition. The buyer will pay the ACSP the listed price, and at the end of the exhibition the ACSP will send a check for 70% to the artist, at the address on the entry form. Therefore price your art work accordingly for sale.

## SELECTION PROCESS

All entries are juried and only the pieces accepted by the juror will be displayed. Space limitations at the ACSP permit about 80 pieces to be displayed. To insure impartiality the juror selected does not live in the nine-county area PLRAC serves.

**The juror will be selected soon, and we will update the Entry Form in August with the juror's name and background.**

## SUMMARY OF DATES

**Mon., Sept. 18, 2:30-5:30 p.m. - Entry Date**

Fri., Sept. 22, 3:00-5:30 p.m. - Declined artwork pick up

Sat., Sept. 23, 6:30-8:30 p.m. - Opening Reception

Sun., Oct. 22, 3:00-5:00 p.m. – Artists pick up artwork  
**End of Regional Exhibition**

## CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have questions about this entry form or the exhibition, please contact Brenda Byron, Executive Director at the **Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council office, 105 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NE, Waseca, MN 56093.** The Entry Form is also posted on our website at **[www.plrac.org](http://www.plrac.org)**. Contact us at [plrac@hickorytech.net](mailto:plrac@hickorytech.net), (507) 833-8721 or 1-800-298-1254.



ENTRY FORM / Prairie Lakes Regional Juried Art Exhibition / Sept. 18, 2017

ARTIST \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name

CURRENT ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

2nd Address for Students/Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL (required) \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (area code) \_\_\_\_\_

Title 1 \_\_\_\_\_ (maximum 40 characters)

Medium \_\_\_\_\_

For Sale? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No **Required: Insurance/Sale Price \$** \_\_\_\_\_ Year Completed \_\_\_\_\_

Title 2 \_\_\_\_\_ (maximum 40 characters)

Medium \_\_\_\_\_

For Sale? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No **Required: Insurance/Sale Price \$** \_\_\_\_\_ Year Completed \_\_\_\_\_

**WAIVER:** I relieve PLRAC and the Arts Center of Saint Peter (ACSP) from the responsibility for loss or damage of any kind to my work before or after the exhibition period, Sept. 23-Oct. 22, 2017. Works that are entered are not insured until they are juried into the exhibition. Insurance coverage is provided for the duration of the exhibition only. I also understand that the PLRAC and ACSP are not responsible for artwork left beyond the pickup date of Oct. 22, 2017. **Submission of work and entry card signature indicates acceptance of all conditions and waiver of liability.** I hereby grant to the PLRAC the right to photograph my artwork or myself for publicity purposes in news releases, in the PLRAC Newsletter, PLRAC website, Facebook and YouTube.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Entry Fee: \$10** (\$20 for 2 pieces) **Cash or check made payable to Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council**

**JUROR'S NOTIFICATION** (Information will be **Emailed only** to you by Sept. 21, 2017.)

Artist \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Title 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Accepted \_\_\_\_ Declined \_\_\_\_

Title 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Accepted \_\_\_\_ Declined \_\_\_\_

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**RECEIPT CARD/PLRAC Art Exhibit** **KEEP:** This receipt **MUST** be presented when picking up art work.  
**Declined work:** Sept. 22, 3:00 to 5:30 p.m. **Exhibited work:** Oct. 22; 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

ARTIST \_\_\_\_\_

Title 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_\_

Title 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_\_

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**Work #1 IDENTIFICATION CARD**  
♦ Attach securely to back side (**upper right**) of work  
Artist \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_

**Work #2 IDENTIFICATION CARD**  
♦ Attach securely to back side (**upper right**) of work  
Artist \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Price \_\_\_\_\_



# Arts Calendar



(An asterisk\* denotes Arts Events funded by a Prairie Lakes Grant.)

**July 1** “Proof” theater production, 7:30 p.m., at Andreas Theatre, MN State University, Mankato. Adults \$16, seniors over 65 and youth under 16 \$14. (507) 389-6661 or [www.mnsu.edu/theatre/](http://www.mnsu.edu/theatre/).

**\*July 1** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture presents Stephanie Nilles with Thomas Deakin performing jazz and punk music, 8 p.m., free. At the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com) or (507) 359-9222.

**July 1-2** “Cutting it to Size: A History of Art Through Collage” Exhibit by Curt Germundson. At The 410 Project, 523 S. Front St., Mankato. Gallery hours: Wed., Fri., Sat. 2-6 p.m. and Sun. 1-4 p.m. [www.the410project.com](http://www.the410project.com).



**July 1-9** EAT: Exhibit by Members of the Arts Center of Saint Peter. At the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. Gallery hours: Tues. & Wed. 1-6 p.m., Thurs. 1-8 p.m., Fri. & Sun. 1-5 p.m. & Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (507) 931-3630 or [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org).

**July 1-15** “Mom’s Kitchen” Exhibit of vintage aprons, cookbooks, kitchen gadgets and household items. At the Arts & Heritage Center of Montgomery, 206 B. First St. Hours: Thurs & Fri. 2-5 p.m. and Sat. 9 a.m.-12 Noon. (507) 364-8107 or [www.artsandheritagecenter.org](http://www.artsandheritagecenter.org).



**\*July 1-21** “Through Jimmy’s Eyes – Color as Communication” Exhibit by Jimmy Reagan. At 4 Pillars Gallery, The Grand Center for Arts and Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. Hours: Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Sat. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**\*July 1-April 2018** The 2017/18 CityArt Walking Sculpture Tour artwork is installed in the city centers of Mankato and North Mankato. [www.cityartmankato.com](http://www.cityartmankato.com) or (507) 388-1062.

**July 3** Thunder of Drums, Drum and Bugle Corps show and competition at Blakeslee Field, Minnesota State University, Mankato, 6:30 p.m., including a preshow performance by a mass band of local high school students. Show includes the Govenaires, Bluecoats, Minnesota Brass, and more. Reserved seats in advance \$22, at the door \$25; general admission in advance \$12, at the door \$15, youth 12 and under \$6. General admission tickets available at Mankato grocery stores, Music Mart, and Community Bank; reserved tickets available at [www.thunderofdrums.org](http://www.thunderofdrums.org). [tickets@thunderofdrums.com](mailto:tickets@thunderofdrums.com) or (507) 382-2739.

**July 3-19** “Resilience” Exhibit by Shelly Caldwell. At the Emy Frenz Gallery, Twin Rivers Council for the Arts, 523 S. Second St., Mankato. Gallery hours: Mon., Tues., Wed. and Fri., 12 Noon-4 p.m. and Thurs. 4-8 p.m. (507) 387-1008 or [www.twinriversarts.org](http://www.twinriversarts.org).

**July 4** Fourth of July parade in St. Peter, including the Govenaires and the Minnesota “Over-60” Band, 10 a.m. (507) 934-3400.

**July 4** Fourth of July parade in Elysian, including the Minnesota “Over-60” Band, 2 p.m. (507) 267-4040.

**\*July 4** St. James Summer Concerts in the Park Series: Dick and Ian Kimmel performing bluegrass music, 4:30-6:30 p.m. Food available for purchase at 4 p.m. At Memorial Park, St. James. Sponsored by the City of St. James. (507) 375-4370

**July 4** “Rockin’ Fourth of July” celebration. Free concert at 7 p.m. with City Mouse and the Mankato Symphony Orchestra performing separately and then together. Bingo fundraiser at 6 p.m. Fireworks begin immediately after the concert with choreographed music. “Lean Back” bench dedication at 9:15 p.m. At Riverfront Park, 310 Rock St., Mankato. [www.mankatosymphony.com](http://www.mankatosymphony.com) or (507) 625-8880.

**\*July 4** Music Festival in Fairmont, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Performances by Barefoot Becky and Steve Lang. Food vendors, antique displays, kids games, and more. Free, at Heritage Acres, South Central Minnesota Interpretive Center, 507 W. Lake Ave., Fairmont. (507) 238-4645 or [www.heritageacres.mn.org](http://www.heritageacres.mn.org).

**July 4** Lakefest at Clear Lake Park in Waseca. Music in the afternoon with fireworks at dusk.

**\*July 5-14** “Past is Present” Painting Exhibit by Scott West in the Beckmann Gallery and “Double Back: Tracing Histories of the Red River Ox-Cart Trail” Exhibit by Kit Leffler in the Lobby Gallery. At Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. Gallery hours: Tues., Wed. & Fri. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and Thurs. 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Summer Saturday hours: 12 Noon-3 p.m., through Aug. 26. [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org) or (507) 835-1701.

**\*July 5** The Frye performs Americana music as part of the Music on Main series, 5-7 p.m., downtown Gaylord. Sponsored by the Gaylord Area Chamber of Commerce. (507) 237-5535 or [www.gaylordmnchamber.com](http://www.gaylordmnchamber.com).

**July 6, 13, 20, & 27** Thursday’s Open Studio, 7-9 p.m., non-instructional studio time, come share artistic talents, work on projects and socialize with fellow artists. At Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. (507) 835-1701 or [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org).

**\*July 6-22** “Extraordinary Dialogues” Mixed Media and Multimedia Exhibit by Lucía Castañeda-Medina in the Rotunda and Fireplace Galleries, and “Rebirth: Out of the Ashes II” Ceramics Exhibit by Michelle Kaisersatt in the Cook Gallery. (Reception, July 8, 7-9 p.m.) At the Carnegie Art Center, 120 S. Broad St., Mankato. Gallery hours: Thurs. 1-7 p.m., Fri. 1-4 p.m. and Sat. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Wheelchair accessible. [www.thecarnegiemandato.com](http://www.thecarnegiemandato.com) or (507) 625-2730. Michelle received a PLRAC/McKnight Artist Grant in 2016 from Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council.



**\*July 6-31** Exhibit by Alexandra Hurney and Bonnie Wedge. At Red Rock Center for the Arts, 222 E. Blue Earth Ave., Fairmont. Hours: Tues. & Thurs. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and Wed. & Fri. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., evenings and weekends by appointment. [www.redrockcenter.org](http://www.redrockcenter.org) or (507) 235-9262.

**\*July 7** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture presents American Feedbag performing folk, country, and bluegrass music, 8 p.m., free. At the Grand Kabaret, 210 North Minnesota Street, New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**\*July 7-8** Madelia Park Days. July 7: Parade at 7 p.m. including the Minnesota “Over-60” Band and other musical groups. Free Concert in the park by The Switch Road Band at 8 p.m. Fireworks at 10 p.m. July 8: Rivers Edge Arts & More Fair, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Blues Music Festival, beginning at 11:40 a.m., including performances by Everett Smithson Band, Sweet Papa Dave Band, Billy and the Bangers, Lisa Wenger & Her Mean Mean Men, and Indigenous. Free Harmonica lessons will be given by Everett Smithson at 11 a.m. At Watona Park, Madelia. Sponsored by the Madelia Area Chamber of Commerce. (507) 642-8822 or [www.visitmadelia.com](http://www.visitmadelia.com).

**July 7-23** “Wonder Beyond the Edge of the World” Community Interactive Exhibit inspired by local author Nicole Helget’s book “Wonder at the Edge of the World”. (Reception, July 7, 7-9 p.m.) At The 410 Project, 523 S. Front St., Mankato. Gallery hours: Wed., Fri., Sat. 2-6 p.m. and Sun. 1-4 p.m. [www.the410project.com](http://www.the410project.com).

**\*July 8** Music in the Park series: Leon Olson, performing old time music, 6:30-8 p.m., at the Winthrop City Park. Sponsored by the City of Winthrop. (507) 647-5306 or [www.winthropminnesota.com](http://www.winthropminnesota.com).

**\*July 8** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture presents Lonesome Dan Kase performing blues music, 8 p.m., free. At the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).



**July 9** Farm/City Funfest parade in Winthrop, including the Minnesota “Over-60” Band, 2 p.m. (507) 647-5306.

**July 9** Open Clay Studio, 3-5 p.m. For all ages and ability levels, under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. An instructor will be available. At Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org) or (507) 931-3630.

**\*July 11, 18 & 25** Mankato Area Community Band will perform free outdoor concerts on Tuesdays, 7:30 pm., at Sibley Park in Mankato. The July 25 concert will include a performance by the Bass Brand Brass Band and Techno Peasants. Playing all your favorite styles, bring a blanket or lawn chair, rain cancels. For questions, call 507-779-1567.

**July 11, 18, & 25** Free Summer Noontime Organ Recitals by the Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, 12:10 p.m. July 11-David Mertesdorf and July 18-Craig Hirschmann, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 222 Pfau St., Mankato. July 25-Emily Bruflat, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 720 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Mankato. 507-933-7447 or [www.agosioxtrails.org](http://www.agosioxtrails.org).

**\*July 12** Mary Guentzel Quintet performs jazz and swing music as part of the Music on Main series, 5-7 p.m., downtown Gaylord. Sponsored by the Gaylord Area Chamber of Commerce. (507) 237-5535 or [www.gaylordmnchamber.com](http://www.gaylordmnchamber.com).



**\*July 12** Lunch with the Arts, 12 Noon, bring a bag lunch. Musical entertainment by Big John and Connie Pedersen. At the Red Rock Center for the Arts, 222 E. Blue Earth Ave., Fairmont. [www.redrockcenter.org](http://www.redrockcenter.org) or (507) 235-9262.

**July 12** Festag Days parade in Minnesota Lake, including the Minnesota “Over-60” Band, 7 p.m. (507) 462-3469.

**\*July 12 & 19** Lake Crystal Area Community Band Concerts, 6:30 p.m. July 12 at Our Saviour’s Lutheran, 20674 484<sup>th</sup> Ave., Lake Crystal (Butternut) and July 19 at First Presbyterian Church, 302 E. Prince St., Lake Crystal. (507) 726-2747.

**July 12 & 19** Watch the Metropolitan Opera’s performances: July 12 “Nabucco” and July 19 “Carmen”, 6 p.m. both days. Adults \$22, seniors \$20, children \$15. At Cinemark Movies 8 in the River Hills Mall, Mankato. [www.metopera.org/metopera/liveinhd/unitedstates.aspx](http://www.metopera.org/metopera/liveinhd/unitedstates.aspx) or (507) 625-1929.

**July 12-16** Waseca County Free Fair in Waseca, view a complete schedule at [www.wasecacountyfreefair.com](http://www.wasecacountyfreefair.com).

**\*July 13** Music in the Park series: Mary Quentzel Quintet, performing jazz and swing music, 6:30-8 p.m., at the Winthrop City Park. Sponsored by the City of Winthrop. [www.winthropminnesota.com](http://www.winthropminnesota.com) or (507) 647-5306.

**July 13-16** Blue Earth Town and Country Players will present the musical "Seussical!" July 13, 14 & 15 at 7:30 p.m. and July 16 at 2 p.m. \$10, tickets can be reserved by the Blue Earth Chamber of Commerce at (507) 400-1827 or purchased at the door. At Blue Earth Area High School Performing Arts Center, Highway 169 N. "Blue Earth Town & Country Players" on Facebook.

**July 13-16** "Once Upon a Mattress" theater production. July 13 & 14 at 7:30 p.m. and July 16 at 2 p.m. Advance/Reserved Tickets: Adults & ages 12 and up \$12, children \$6; available at the box office at Sleepy Eye High School Room 109 or by mail at 400 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. SW, Sleepy Eye, MN 56085. General Admission available at the door: Adults & ages 12 and up \$10, children \$5. At St. Mary's High School Auditorium, 104 St. Marys St. NE, Sleepy Eye. Presented by the Sleepy Eye Community Theatre. (507) 794-7873.

**July 13-15 & 19-22** "The Little Mermaid" musical theater production, 7:30 p.m. each night. Adults \$22, seniors over 65 and youth under sixteen \$19. At the Ted Paul Theatre, MN State University, Mankato. (507) 389-6661 or [www.mnsu.edu/theatre/](http://www.mnsu.edu/theatre/).

**\*July 14** Curse of the Blessed Showcase, 7 p.m., featuring the documentary "Curse of the Blessed" by the late Wes Schuck, music videos by Algo Underground, and a performance by Ian Hilmer. Cam Johnson worked on the recordings and music for the event. At Studio Six, 509 South Front Street, Mankato. (507) 382-4319. Cam received a PLRAC/McKnight Artist Grant in 2016 from Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council.

**\*July 14** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture presents Chris Holm performing acoustic folk, blues, and country music, 8 p.m., free. At the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com) or (507) 359-9222.

**\*July 14** Mankato Area 77 Lancers Marching Band 2017 Final Concert, 7 p.m., free, at MN State University, Mankato, in the Taylor Center's Bresnan Arena. [www.77lancers.com](http://www.77lancers.com) or (507) 381-2200.

**\*July 14-15** Prairie Fire Children's Theatre performances of "Jack and the Beanstalk" by grades 3-9, July 14 at 7 p.m. and July 15 at 1 p.m., \$2. New Ulm High School Theater, 1600 Oak Street. Sponsored by Healthy Communities/Healthy Youth of Brown County, (507) 354-8632 or [hchynua@newulmtel.net](mailto:hchynua@newulmtel.net).

**July 14-16** Bavarian Blast German Festival in New Ulm. Music begins at 11 a.m. each day and continues all day in multiple venues, including the Leon Olsen Show, Schell's Hobo Band, Austrian Express, the Wendinger Band, and the Concord Singers. Grand Parade on July 16, 12:30 p.m. Visit [www.bavarianblast.com](http://www.bavarianblast.com) for a schedule of events. (507) 354-1123.

**July 14-Aug. 13** Exhibit by Adam McCauley. (Reception, July 15, 3-5 p.m.) At the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. Gallery hours: Tues. & Wed. 1-6 p.m., Thurs. 1-8 p.m., Fri. & Sun. 1-5 p.m. & Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org) or (507) 931-3630.

**\*July 15-Aug. 19** "Paintings and Drawings" Exhibit by Craig Groe. (Reception, July 15, 5-7 p.m.) At Austin Artworks Center, 300 N. Main St. Gallery hours: Tues.-Fri. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. (507) 434-0934 or [www.austinareaarts.org](http://www.austinareaarts.org). Craig received a PLRAC/McKnight Artist Grant in 2016 from Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council.

**July 18-Aug. 25** "Jingle Birds and Spiral Forms" Exhibit of Ceramic Works by Lucy Yogerst in the Beckmann Gallery and "Scenes from Near and Far" Painting Exhibit by Adele Beals in the Lobby Gallery. (Reception, July 21, 5-8 p.m.) At Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. Gallery hours: Tues., Wed. & Fri. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and Thurs. 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Summer Saturday hours: 12 Noon-3 p.m., through Aug. 26. [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org) or (507) 835-1701.

**\*July 19** Ian Kimmel performs bluegrass music as part of the Music on Main series, 5-7 p.m., downtown Gaylord. Sponsored by the Gaylord Area Chamber of Commerce. [www.gaylordmnchamber.com](http://www.gaylordmnchamber.com) or (507) 237-5535.

**July 19** The Everett Smithson Band Concert and Harmonica Lessons, participants will receive a harmonica to keep. 10:30-11:30 p.m. at the Blue Earth County Library, 1001 E. Main St., Mankato, (507) 304-4001. 1-2 p.m. at the Lake Crystal Elementary School Gymnasium, 502 E. Watonwan St. 3:30-4:30 p.m. at the Mapleton Public Library, 104 1<sup>st</sup> Ave., (507) 524-3513.

**July 20** Lower Sioux Agency Dakota Pottery presentation. Learn about the impact of pottery on Dakota communities and make your own arrowhead, 7 p.m. At the Waseca Public Library, 408 N. State St. (507) 835-2910 or [www.wasecalesueurlibraries.com](http://www.wasecalesueurlibraries.com).

**July 20-22 & 27-29** Merely Players Community Theatre presents "W;t", 7:30 p.m. each night. Adults \$15, Seniors \$13, Youth 16 and under \$10. At the Mankato Event Center, 12 Civic Center Plaza, Suite #10, Mankato. (507) 388-5483 or [www.merelyplayers.com](http://www.merelyplayers.com).

**July 20-23** Watonwan County Fair in St. James, view a complete schedule at [www.watonwancountyfair.com](http://www.watonwancountyfair.com).

**\*July 20-23** "The Wizard of Oz" performances by State Street Theater Company. July 20 & 21 at 7:30 p.m. and July 22 & 23 at 2 p.m. At the State Street Theater, 1 N. State St., New Ulm. [www.statestreetnewulm.org](http://www.statestreetnewulm.org) or (507) 359-9990.



**July 20-Aug. 17** Exhibit by Lu Mulder. (Reception, July 20, 5-7 p.m.) At the Emy Frenzt Gallery, Twin Rivers Council for the Arts, 523 S. Second St., Mankato. Gallery hours: Mon., Tues., Wed. and Fri., 12 Noon-4 p.m. and Thurs. 4-8 p.m. [www.twinriversarts.org](http://www.twinriversarts.org) or (507) 387-1008.

**July 20-Sept. 9** “Do You See What I See” Juried Photography Exhibit and “Look Into The Past: Kolacky Days” Exhibit featuring Kolacky Days photos and memorabilia. At the Arts & Heritage Center of Montgomery, 206 First St. North. Hours: Thur. & Fri. 2-5 p.m. and Sat. 9 a.m.-12 Noon. (507) 364-8107 or [www.artsandheritagecenter.org](http://www.artsandheritagecenter.org).

\***July 21** Concert by Phil Camel, as part of Music on Main, 6:30-8:30 p.m. At Toody’s Sweet Treats, 417 Main St., Henderson. Sponsored by Henderson Chamber of Commerce. (507) 248-3234.

**July 21** Hot Jazz for Decent People Series: Concert by Doug Snapp & Friends, 7:30 p.m., \$10. During the 2<sup>nd</sup> set there will be live action sketching by members of the Arts Center’s drawing group. At the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org) or (507) 931-3630.

\***July 21-23** “A Night of One Acts” by actors in grades 9-12. July 21 & 22 at 7:30 p.m. and July 23 at 3 p.m., \$5. At The Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 North Minnesota Street, New Ulm. Sponsored by Healthy Communities/Healthy Youth of Brown County, (507) 354-8632 or [hchynua@newulmtel.net](mailto:hchynua@newulmtel.net).

\***July 21-Aug. 31** “Images of Change: Sharing the Personal Life Experiences of Elders from Diverse Cultures” Photography Exhibit by Kay Herbst Helms. (Reception, July 21, 1-3 p.m.) At Vine Adult Community Center, 421 E. Hickory St., Mankato. Hours: Mon.-Fri. 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m., Sat. 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sun. 8 a.m.-12 Noon. (507) 469-8745. [Kay received a PLRAC/McKnight Artist Grant in 2016 from Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council.](#)

\***July 26** Off-Duty Eggs perform new age music as part of the Music on Main series, 5-7 p.m., downtown Gaylord. Sponsored by the Gaylord Area Chamber of Commerce. [www.gaylordmnchamber.com](http://www.gaylordmnchamber.com) or (507) 237-5535.

**July 26-29** Faribault County Fair in Blue Earth, view a complete schedule at [www.faribaultcountyfair.com](http://www.faribaultcountyfair.com).

\***July 27** Minnesota Filmmaker Series: Film screening of the documentary “Women Outward Bound” and discussion with filmmaker Maxine Davis, 7 p.m., free. At the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. Sponsored by The New Ulm Film Society. (320) 522-4678.

**July 27** Art as Prayer with Pastor Tara DeCock, drop in for an artful, inspiring lunch hour, 12 Noon-1 p.m. At Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. (507) 931-3630 or [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org).

**July 27** Presentation by Magical Mia, combining magic tricks and Asian dance moves, 1 p.m. At the Waseca Public Library, 408 N. State St. (507) 835-2910 or [www.wasecalesueurlibraries.com](http://www.wasecalesueurlibraries.com).

**July 27-30** Blue Earth County Fair in Garden City, including a concert by the Minnesota “Over-60 Band, July 27 at 5 p.m. View a complete schedule at [www.blueearthcountyfair.org](http://www.blueearthcountyfair.org).

\***July 28** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents Open Mic Night with local artists performing, 8 p.m., free. At the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com) or (507) 359-9222.

\***July 28** Opening Reception for the Sam Mater Art Exhibit, 7-9 p.m., at 4 Pillars Gallery, The Grand Center for Arts and Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. Hours: Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Sat. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

\***July 28-Aug. 13** Illustrations Exhibit by James Hohenstein. At The 410 Project, 523 S. Front St., Mankato. Gallery hours: Wed., Fri., Sat. 2-6 p.m. and Sun. 1-4 p.m. [www.the410project.com](http://www.the410project.com). [James received a PLRAC/McKnight Artist Grant in 2016 from Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council.](#)

\***July 29** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture presents Captain Gravitone performing Americana folk rock and jazz music, 8 p.m., free. At the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com) or (507) 359-9222.

**July 30** Kolacky Days parade in Montgomery, including the Minnesota “Over-60” Band, 12 Noon. (507) 953-0094.

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**Area Wineries** have musical entertainment on Friday and Saturday evenings. Please visit their websites for times and musicians.

[Chankaska Creek Ranch and Winery](#), 1179 E. Pearl St., Kasota. [www.chankaskawines.com](http://www.chankaskawines.com) or (507) 931-0089.

[Indian Island Winery](#), 18018 631<sup>st</sup> Ave., Janesville. [www.indianislandwinery.com](http://www.indianislandwinery.com) or (507) 234-6222.

[Morgan Creek Vineyards](#), 23707 478<sup>th</sup> Ave., New Ulm. (507) 947-3547 or [www.morgancreekvineyards.com](http://www.morgancreekvineyards.com).

[Next Chapter Winery](#), 16945 320<sup>th</sup> St., New Prague. (612) 756-3012 or [www.nextchapterwinery.com](http://www.nextchapterwinery.com).



# Youth & Adult Opportunities

## Youth Classes

**July 5** Teen Digital Photography Class, 1 p.m., ages 12 and up. Nature photography, Ron Boduan will teach the class, cameras will be provided. At Riverside Park, New Ulm. Sponsored by the New Ulm Public Library. [www.newulmlibrary.org](http://www.newulmlibrary.org) or (507) 359-8334.

**July 11** Club Picasso, 4:30-5:45 p.m. Grade 4 and up, \$10. Explore techniques with instructor Karen Krause. In July, "Sunny Sunflower Study", learn drawing techniques completed with a variety of shading techniques using colored pencils. Meets first Tuesday of the month. (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in July due to July 4.) At Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. Call to register (507) 835-1701. [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org).

**July 13** Make and Take Art Class, 4:30-5:45 p.m. Grades K-3, \$10. This month is "Daydreaming", using dream memories as the basis for a drawn collage. Meets first Thursday of the month. (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday in July due to July 4.) At Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. Call to register, [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org) or (507) 835-1701.

**July 15-29** Kids' Clay Class, Saturdays, 10 a.m.-12 Noon, ages 8-12. Create several pieces to take home. \$57, register at [www.stpetercommunityedonline.com](http://www.stpetercommunityedonline.com). At the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. (507) 931-3630 or [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org).

**July 19** Cartoon Drawing Class with Gary Harbo, 3 p.m., ages 7-12. At the Waseca Public Library, 408 N. State Street. (507) 835-2910 or [www.wasecalesueurlibraries.com](http://www.wasecalesueurlibraries.com).

**July 22-Aug. 26** Teen Clay Class, Saturdays, 2-4 p.m., ages 12-15. Create several pieces to take home. [www.stpetercommunityedonline.com](http://www.stpetercommunityedonline.com) to register, \$74. At the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 South Minnesota Ave. [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org) or (507) 931-3630.

**\*July-Aug.** Dance Conservatory of Southern MN has many youth summer dance camps available for new or returning dancers. Go to <http://dcsmdance.com/mankato-summer-camp/5312966> to view dates, times, and classes available and to download a registration form. (507) 625-2005.

**\*July-Aug.** Mankato Area Youth Symphony Orchestra, Mankato Area Youth Winds Ensemble, North Star Strings, and the new Youth Philharmonic are taking submissions for auditions. Sign up for an audition time online at [www.mayso.net/audition](http://www.mayso.net/audition). Auditions and practices take place in the Performing Arts Center at Minnesota State University, Mankato. For more information contact Carolyn, (612) 251-8492 or [info@mayso.net](mailto:info@mayso.net).

Individual Art Classes and Mentoring at The 410 Project, for ages 4-18. Director, Dana Sikkila, will give individual lessons based on the child's artistic interest, classes can be scheduled around the parent or guardian's schedule. \$15 per hour with student bringing supplies, \$20 per hour with the 410 Project's supplies, \$12 per hour for students 5 and under. Email for more information, [410project@hotmail.com](mailto:410project@hotmail.com). At The 410 Project, 523 South Front Street, Mankato. [www.the410project.com](http://www.the410project.com).

## Adult Artists

**July 1-2** Open Call for Submissions to be included in the 410's Project Bike exhibit. Artwork will be picked by a bicyclist. Artists must email 5-7 images of current work and live in southern and central Minnesota. Artwork must weigh less than 10 pounds after being packaged for travel; 2D work max size 3'x2'; 3D work max size 2'x10". For more information or to submit your images, email [the410project@hotmail.com](mailto:the410project@hotmail.com).



**July 1-Aug. 1** Twin Rivers Council for the Arts is accepting applications for the 2018 Emy Frentz Exhibition Schedule. The Emy Frentz gallery can accommodate a wide variety of works including poetry, paintings, photography, sculpture, installations and more. Artists will be notified by email. If chosen, there is an exhibition fee of \$25 for the general public and \$10 for TRCA affiliates. There is no application fee. Email [info@twinriversarts.org](mailto:info@twinriversarts.org) to request an application or for more information. Twin Rivers Council for the Arts, 523 S Second Street, Mankato. 507-387-1008 or [www.twinriversarts.org](http://www.twinriversarts.org).

**July 5, 12, 19 & 26** Wednesday Morning Drawing and Study Group, 9:30 a.m.-12 Noon, free and open to the public. 9:30-10:45 a.m. studio time to work on your own art. 11 a.m.-12 Noon, art appreciation discussion. Contact Rachel James at [racheljames@wasecaartscouncil.org](mailto:racheljames@wasecaartscouncil.org) for a schedule of topics. At Waseca Art Center, 200 State Street North. [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org) or (507) 835-1701.

**July 6, 13, 20 & 27** Thursday's Open Studio, 7-9 p.m., non-instructional studio time, come share artistic talents, work on projects and



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# Adult Arts Opportunities

socialize with fellow artists. At Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org) or (507) 835-1701.

**July 8** Plein Air Painting on the streets of Mankato, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Meet at Tandem Bagels, 200 E. Walnut St., Mankato at 9 a.m., create original paintings including the new sculptures in the CityArt Sculpture Walk, meet back at Tandem Bagels at 2 p.m. to share your work. Sponsored by the southern Minnesota members of the Outdoor Painters of Minnesota. (507) 340-5766.

**July 9** Writers' Critique Group, 3-5 p.m. Bring work in progress and a question or two for the group. Read for five minutes, get critiqued for ten. Leave with good vibes and new ideas for moving forward. Hosted by Ann Rosenquist Fee. All levels welcome, there is no previous participation or experience necessary. Held second Sunday of the month. No advanced registration required, \$5. At the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 South Minnesota Ave. (507) 931-3630 or [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org).

**July 11, 13 & 27** Throwing Large Pottery Workshop, 6-8 p.m. each night. For participants with prior throwing experience. Create several pieces to take home. \$52, register at [www.stpetercommunityedonline.com](http://www.stpetercommunityedonline.com). At the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 South Minnesota Ave. (507) 931-3630 or [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org).

**July 11-Aug. 1** Sculpture by Fire: Basic Fabrication and Casting Workshop by Greg Mueller, who is previously from the Mankato area. Classes are on Tuesdays, 9 a.m.-12 Noon. Introductory course to engage in metal fabrication and the casting processes, participants will create one fabricated and one cast metal sculpture. Tuition \$150, supply fee \$60. At the Grand Marais Art

Colony, 120 W. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Grand Marais. (218) 387-2737 or [www.grandmaraisartcolony.org](http://www.grandmaraisartcolony.org).

**July 10-Aug. 14** Intermediate Drawing Class, Mondays, 4-6 p.m. Class is intended for intermediate to advanced students. \$45, register at [www.stpetercommunityedonline.com](http://www.stpetercommunityedonline.com). At the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. (507) 931-3630 or [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org).

**July 11-Aug. 15** Drawing Workshop, Tuesdays, 4-6 p.m. Learn line, shape, shading, and how to use graphics as inspiration. \$45, register online at [www.stpetercommunityedonline.com](http://www.stpetercommunityedonline.com). At the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. (507) 931-3630 or [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org).

**July 13** Mankato Area Non-Profit Networking Lunch, 12 Noon-1 p.m. Meets monthly to discuss topics brought up by attendees, free. Bring your own lunch. At Shared Spaces, 127 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Mankato. Sponsored by Minnesota Council of Nonprofits. [www.minnesotanonprofits.org](http://www.minnesotanonprofits.org) or (507) 469-2217.

**July 18** Alice Lind Play Reading Society presents its monthly play reading series, 7 p.m. This month's script is "Heidi Chronicles" by Wendy Wasserman. Volunteers will be asked to read parts throughout the evening. Small reading parts can be requested. \$5 per script. RSVP to (507) 359-9990. At the John Lind House, 622 Center St., New Ulm. [www.lindhouse.org](http://www.lindhouse.org) or (507) 359-8802.

**July 28** Open Mic performance opportunity for musicians and poets, at 7:30 p.m., during Springfield's Riverside Days. At the Le Bon Entertainment and Event Center, 6 E. Central St., Springfield. (507) 430-5368.

**July 31** Application Deadline for the Lanesboro Artist Residency Program.

Emerging artists in all media from Minnesota and the five boroughs of New York City can apply to create new work and explore new ideas while utilizing a rural Minnesota community. Two and four week residences are available. Funding is through the Jerome Foundation. For more information and application details contact Adam at (507) 467-2446, [adam@lanesboroarts.org](mailto:adam@lanesboroarts.org), or [www.lanesboroarts.org](http://www.lanesboroarts.org).

**Aug. 7-11** Sculpture by Salvage: Re-Claimed Metal Fabrication Workshop by Greg Mueller, who is previously from the Mankato area and Last Chance Fabricating. Breathe new life into salvaged steel by creating sculptural solutions with re-purposed metal. Tuition \$375, supply fee \$60. At the Grand Marais Art Colony, 120 W. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Grand Marais. (218) 387-2737 or [www.grandmaraisartcolony.org](http://www.grandmaraisartcolony.org).

Artists are encouraged to join the Minnesota Makers & Artist Guild and participate in the creation of a makerspace in Mankato with the goal of creating a community workspace housing tools and equipment as well as the knowledge that comes with working in a shared environment. Go to [www.mankatomakerspace.org](http://www.mankatomakerspace.org) to become a member, sign up for their newsletter, and learn about upcoming events. Contact (507) 514-2921 or [mnmakersandartists@gmail.com](mailto:mnmakersandartists@gmail.com).

## Arts Event Happening in Your Area?

**Please submit the event information to us by the 15th of the prior month to be included in an upcoming newsletter!**

Email the date, time, location, ticket price, and a brief description of the event to: [plrac@hickorytech.net](mailto:plrac@hickorytech.net).



# The Betsy-Tacy Society is seeking an Executive Director

The Betsy-Tacy Society, governed by a Board of Directors, owns and operates two National Literary Landmark Historic Homes in Mankato. Betsy's House is a museum and Tacy's House is an interpretive center, gift shop and office. The BTS raises 80% of its annual operating budget via contributions and earned income. The position of Executive Director will provide leadership and administration for the Betsy-Tacy Society and Museum, including planning, organizing and directing operational, administrative and fundraising aspects of the organization. Candidate must possess strong organizational skills, have a general knowledge of accounting and experience with Quickbooks Point of Sale or similar bookkeeping software along with proficiency with Microsoft Office software. Excellent grammar skills and writing ability required. 30-40 hours per week. For a full description of the position, see the Betsy-Tacy Society website at [www.betsy-tacysociety.org](http://www.betsy-tacysociety.org). Applicants for the position should send a letter of application and resume to [BTSMankato@gmail.com](mailto:BTSMankato@gmail.com) or Betsy-Tacy Society, PO Box 94, Mankato, MN 56002-0094. Deadline for application is July 10, 2017.

## Twin Rivers Artist Workshop Series



All workshops are held at Twin Rivers Council for the Arts, Emy Frenz Arts Gallery, 523 S. Second St., Mankato.

**Register for these workshops online at:**  
[www.twinriversarts.org/artist-workshops/](http://www.twinriversarts.org/artist-workshops/)

**5:30-6:30 p.m. Affiliates \$5, Non-Affiliates \$10**

**July 18 - Photographing Your Work: Art + Business**

Learn tips and tricks on lighting, angles, and composition.

**August 15 - Artwork Pricing: Where to Begin? Art + Business.** Learn about strategies for pricing artwork, including consideration for time, materials, and market.

**August 28 - Building the Best Board for your Nonprofit**

**Locally Sourced: 12 Noon-1:00 p.m.**

Writers from all genres and backgrounds are invited. [Find Inspiration in Your Own Backyard.](#) This writing workshop series is Free and open to the public. The presenter is Linnea Guerin. While you'll get the most out of attending all sessions, walk-ins are welcome every week. July 7 will include a craft talk, a discussion of published work, and a writing exercise.

**12 Noon-1:00 p.m.**

**July 7 - Finding Inspiration through Mixed Mediums**

**July 14 - Open Mic. at 7:00 p.m.** Everyone will get the chance to share something they wrote over the past four weeks.

## Art Centers Accepting Proposals to Exhibit Artwork

**Red Rock Center for the Arts** in Fairmont is seeking solo visual arts exhibitions or small group proposals for the 2018 calendar year. The Deadline is August 1, 2017. All mediums will be considered, family friendly pieces only, no nudity or violence. If interested please call or email Red Rock Center for the Arts for an application. (507) 235-9262 or [redrockcenter@frontiernet.net](mailto:redrockcenter@frontiernet.net).

**North Mankato Taylor Library** in partnership with **Twin Rivers Council for the Arts** will be accepting proposals for exhibits at the library, 1001 Belgrade Ave., North Mankato. There will be monthly and bi-monthly exhibits. Local and regional artists should email Joellen at [joellen.preston@gmail.com](mailto:joellen.preston@gmail.com) with inquiries. Twin Rivers Council for the Arts, 523 S. Second St., Mankato. [www.twinriversarts.org](http://www.twinriversarts.org) or (507) 387-1008.

**History Center Meeting Room Gallery in Mankato** is accepting proposals for local artists to exhibit. All mediums will be considered. Work must be able to be hung on a wall and must be family friendly to be considered. At Blue Earth County Historical Society, 415 East Cherry Street, Mankato, (507) 345-5566 or [bechsam@hickorytech.net](mailto:bechsam@hickorytech.net).

**Contact the other art centers listed on page 17 in 2017-18.**





# *Non-profit Art Centers*

**Arts & Heritage Center of Montgomery**, 206 B. First St. Various events and monthly exhibits. Hours: Thurs. & Fri. 2-5 p.m. and Sat. 9 a.m.-12 Noon. [www.artsandheritagecenter.org](http://www.artsandheritagecenter.org) or (507) 364-8107.

**Arts Center of Saint Peter**, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. Monthly exhibits, an extensive variety of children, youth, and adult art classes and clay classes are offered at [www.artscentersp.org/classes](http://www.artscentersp.org/classes). Register for classes at [www.stpetercommunityedonline.com](http://www.stpetercommunityedonline.com). Gallery hours: Tues. & Wed. 1-6 p.m., Thurs. 1-8 p.m., Fri. and Sun. 1-5 p.m. & Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Contact (507) 931-3630, [info@artscentersp.org](mailto:info@artscentersp.org) or [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org).

**Carnegie Art Center**, 120 S. Broad Street, Mankato. Artist studios, monthly exhibits and a unique Gift Shop featuring original art work by local artists. Wheelchair accessible. The Carnegie is closed one week each month for gallery installation. Gallery hours: Thurs. 1-7 p.m., Fri. 1-4 p.m. & Sat. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. [www.thecarnegiemandkato.com](http://www.thecarnegiemandkato.com), (507) 625-2730, or [artctr@hickorytech.net](mailto:artctr@hickorytech.net).

**Red Rock Center for the Arts**, 222 E. Blue Earth Ave., Fairmont. Hours: Tues. & Thurs. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and Wed. & Fri. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., evenings & weekends by appointment. Monthly art exhibitions, artist receptions, workshops, various events for all ages and ballroom dances. [www.redrockcenter.org](http://www.redrockcenter.org), (507) 235-9262, or [redrockcenter@frontiernet.net](mailto:redrockcenter@frontiernet.net).

**The 410 Project**, 523 S. Front St., Mankato. Monthly exhibits. Gallery hours: Wed., Thur., Fri., Sat. 2-6 p.m., and Sun. 1-4 p.m. [the410project@hotmail.com](mailto:the410project@hotmail.com) or [www.the410project.com](http://www.the410project.com).

**The Grand Center for Arts & Culture**, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. Music every Fri. & Sat. and monthly exhibits. Gallery hours: Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Artist studios available for rent on second and third floor of the Grand. Contact: (507) 359-9222, [grand@thegrandnewulm.com](mailto:grand@thegrandnewulm.com), or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**Twin Rivers Council for the Arts and the Emy Frenz Arts Guild Gallery**, 523 S. Second St., Mankato. Artist studios, gallery space, and Ticket Box Office for arts events in Mankato. Gallery hours: Mon., Tues., Wed., and Fri. 12 Noon-4 p.m. and Thur. 4-8 p.m. (507) 387-1008, [info@twinriversarts.org](mailto:info@twinriversarts.org), or [www.twinriversarts.org](http://www.twinriversarts.org). Also find other arts events at: [www.greatermankatoevents.com](http://www.greatermankatoevents.com). Gallery Application link: [www.twinriversarts.org/current-exhibit](http://www.twinriversarts.org/current-exhibit)

**Waseca Art Center**, 200 N. State Street. Monthly exhibits, educational programs, weekly art appreciation discussions, and spring concert series. Gallery hours: Tues., Wed. & Fri. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and Thurs. 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Summer Saturday hours: 12 Noon-3 p.m., through August 26. [info@wasecaartcenter.org](mailto:info@wasecaartcenter.org), (507) 835-1701 or [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org).

## *College Galleries*

**Bethany Lutheran College**, 700 Luther Dr., Mankato. Art exhibits are held at Ylvisaker Fine Arts Center. Gallery hours: Sun.-Thurs. 1-9 p.m. and Fri. & Sat. 1-8 p.m. [www.blc.edu/art-exhibits](http://www.blc.edu/art-exhibits).

**Conkling Art Gallery**, 139 Nelson Hall, MN State University, Mankato. Monthly exhibits are on display. Gallery hours: Mon. through Fri., 9 a.m.-4 p.m. (507) 389-6412 or [www.mnsu.edu/artdept](http://www.mnsu.edu/artdept).

**Hillstrom Museum of Art**, 800 W. College Ave., Gustavus Adolphus, College, St. Peter. Events are free and open to the public. Hours: weekdays 9 a.m.-4 p.m. and weekends 1-5 p.m. (507) 933-7200 or [www.gustavus.edu/oncampus/finearts/hillstrom/](http://www.gustavus.edu/oncampus/finearts/hillstrom/).

**South Central College Lookout Gallery**, Room C167, 1920 Lee Blvd., North Mankato. Gallery hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Artists can inquire about displaying their artwork to: [lu.mulder@southcentral.edu](mailto:lu.mulder@southcentral.edu).

**Student Union Gallery**, lower level of the Centennial Student Union, MN State University, Mankato. Gallery hours: Mon.-Fri. 6:30 a.m. to Midnight, Sat. 8 a.m. to Midnight, and Sun. 10 a.m. to Midnight.

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**MN State Arts Board  
 Grant Opportunities**

For more information call (800) 866-2787. For a link to the online application, go to the Minnesota State Arts Board website: [www.arts.state.mn.us/grants/](http://www.arts.state.mn.us/grants/). Deadlines are at 4:30 p.m. of each grant due date.

**July 14 Community Arts Education Support Deadline.**  
 To support the programming and operating goals of community arts education organizations and programs, so that they may maintain and grow ongoing services, staffing, and support functions. Requests of \$8,000 to \$25,000. Email contact: [richard.hitchler@arts.state.mn.us](mailto:richard.hitchler@arts.state.mn.us).

**Aug. 4 Artist Initiative Grants: Visual Arts Deadline.**  
 To support and assist professional Minnesota artists at various stages in their careers by encouraging artistic development, nurturing artistic creativity, and recognizing the contributions of individual artists to the creative environment of the state of Minnesota. Grants will be awarded for career building and for the creative development of artists. \$2,000-\$10,000. Email contact: [kathee.foran@arts.state.mn.us](mailto:kathee.foran@arts.state.mn.us).

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