

## Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council

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## August 2021 Arts Calendar

Created by Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council, for the 9-county area of southern Minnesota.

Individuals can submit information for our calendar by emailing our office by the 15th of the preceding month.

**Aug. 1** Fairmont Area Community Theater presents the musical “Mama Mia!”, 2 p.m. General admission tickets \$20, students \$8, available online at <https://fairmontoperahouse.org/tickets/>. Held at the Fairmont Opera House, 45 Downtown Plaza, (507) 238-4900 or [www.fairmontoperahouse.com](http://www.fairmontoperahouse.com).

**Aug. 1** “Little Theatre” theater performances by Minnesota Playwright Productions, 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Good will donations accepted at the door. Held at the Coffee Hag, 329 N. Riverfront Dr., Mankato. Contact Tom Barna at (507) 508-3336 for more information.

**Aug. 1-13** Gregory T. Wilkins’ “Black Lives Matter: Teach Your Children Well” Exhibit, held at Centennial Student Union Gallery, MN State University, Mankato. Wilkins is a fiscal year 2021 recipient of a Creative Support for Individuals grant from the Minnesota State Arts Board and a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. The art gallery is located on the lower level. Gallery hours: Mon.-Fri. 6:30 a.m. to 12 Midnight, Sat. 8 a.m. to 12 Midnight, and Sun. 10 a.m. to 12 Midnight. (507) 389-6767 or [www.mnsu.edu/artdept/](http://www.mnsu.edu/artdept/).

**\*Aug. 1-28** 2021 Membership Show. Held at the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. Gallery hours: Wed.-Fri. 1-5 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sun. 1-5 p.m. (507) 931-3630 or [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org).

**Aug. 1-Sept. 3** The Heinselmännchen Familie’ Whimsical Exhibit of German Fairytale. Held in the Smallest Museum in Minnesota display case, outside The Grand Center for Arts and Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**Aug. 1-Sept. 30** “Marian Anderson: Her Personal Collection” Exhibit highlighting many of Marian’s original works that her fine art prints have been made from. Held at Blue Earth County Historical Society, 415 E. Cherry St., Mankato. Hours: Tues.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. [www.blueearthcountyhistory.com](http://www.blueearthcountyhistory.com) or (507) 345-5566.

**Aug. 1-Sept. 30** Kay Herbst Helms’ “Pity the Water” Photography and Word Exhibit. Held at Blue Earth County Historical Society Art Gallery, 415 E. Cherry St., Mankato. Hours: Tues.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. [www.blueearthcountyhistory.com](http://www.blueearthcountyhistory.com) or (507) 345-5566.

**\*Aug. 1-April 30, 2022** The 2021 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.

**Aug. 2** Concert in the Park Series: The Misfits performing at 7 p.m., held at German Park, 200 N. German St., New Ulm. Sponsored by the New Ulm Chamber of Commerce. (507) 233-4300 or [www.newulm.com/chamber-of-commerce/](http://www.newulm.com/chamber-of-commerce/).

**\*Aug. 3** Summer Noontime Organ Recital by the Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, featuring Kraig Windschitl from Wayzata Community Church in Wayzata, 12:10 p.m., free. Recital held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 720 S. 2nd St., Mankato. (507) 951-2665 or [www.agosioxtrails.org](http://www.agosioxtrails.org).

**Aug. 3** Jolly Pops Music Show, 10 a.m. Held at Storybook Park, 900 Nicollet Ave., North Mankato. Sponsored by the North Mankato Taylor Library. [www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary](http://www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary) or (507) 345-5120.

**\*Aug. 3-27** Carter and Matt Johnson's "Desolate Ways" Mixed Media Exhibit featuring photography and woodworking. Held at 4 Pillars Gallery, The Grand Center for Arts and Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. Gallery hours: Tues.-Sat. 12 noon-5 p.m. Viewing also available in our Virtual Gallery at [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com). (507) 359-9222.

**\*Aug. 4** Dick Kimmel and Kelly Coyle perform as part of the Music on Main series, 5-7 p.m. Held at the Gaylord City Park. Sponsored by the Gaylord Area Chamber of Commerce. (507) 237-5535 or [www.gaylordmnchamber.com](http://www.gaylordmnchamber.com).

**\*Aug. 4-8** Sibley County Free Fair in Arlington, view a complete schedule at [www.sibleycountyfair.com/](http://www.sibleycountyfair.com/).

**\*Aug. 4-Sept. 10** Mary Walchuk's "Then Sings My Soul: A Celebration in Color" Drawing Exhibit and Jacky Garlock's Painting Exhibit. (Reception, Aug. 5, 6-8 p.m., with Bully Pulpit performing.) Held at Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. Gallery hours: Wed. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Thurs & Fri. 12 Noon-7 p.m. [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org) or (507) 835-1701.

**Aug. 5-8** 23rd Annual Ribfest. Musical Performances include: Aug 5: Church of Cash, The Kentucky Headhunters, and Steve Earle & The Dukes. Aug. 6: Arch Allies, Vertical Horizon, and Scott Stapp the voice of Creed. Aug. 7: Lonesome Losers, Viva Knievel, and Hairball. Aug. 8: Tribute to Steve Murphy featuring The Murphy Brothers Band, The Jade Murphy Band, the Rain Kings, and more. \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Reserved seating for music \$39.50 each day. Held at the Vetter Stone Amphitheater, Riverfront Park, 310 W. Rock St., Mankato. Tickets available at the Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center Box Office, [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com), or call 1-800-745-3000. Go to [www.vetterstoneamphitheater.com/home-vetterstone](http://www.vetterstoneamphitheater.com/home-vetterstone) for times and more information.

**\*Aug. 5-21** Community Art and Photography Show. Held at the Red Rock Center for the Arts, 222 E. Blue Earth Ave., Fairmont. Gallery Hours: Tues. and Thurs. 10 a.m.- 5 p.m. or by appointment. (507) 235-9262 or [www.redrockcenter.org](http://www.redrockcenter.org).

**\*Aug. 5-Sept. 4** Czech Heritage Club's Exhibit featuring memorabilia of the Czech Republic. Held at the Arts & Heritage Center of Montgomery, 206 First St. N. 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).

**\*Aug. 6** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music on their deck, featuring Morgan Myles performing soul, pop, country, and rock music, 6-8 p.m., free. Food and beverages will be available. Held at the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**\*Aug. 6** Hot Jazz for Decent People Series: Jazz Concert by The EZ Jazz Trio, 7 p.m. Limited refreshments will be for sale by local vendors. Free, bring your own chair, coolers are permitted but no glass bottles. Held at Minnesota Square Park, St. Peter. Sponsored by the Arts Center of Saint Peter. (507) 931-3630 or [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org).

**Aug. 6-22** Beth Ann Hamilton's "Domestic Multiplexity" Mixed Media Exhibit. (Reception, Aug. 6, 7-9 p.m.) Held at The 410 Project, 523 S. Front St., Mankato. Gallery hours: Wed.-Sat. 2-6 p.m. [www.the410project.com](http://www.the410project.com).

**\*Aug. 8** Music Festival and Threshing Day in Fairmont, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Barefoot Becky and the Ivanhoe Dutchman performing German polka and Czech music. Kids games, building tours, wagon rides, and more.

Free, held at Heritage Acres, South Central Minnesota Interpretive Center, 507 W. Lake Ave., Fairmont. (507) 238-4645 or [www.heritageacresmn.org](http://www.heritageacresmn.org).

**Aug. 8** Giant Days parade in LeSueur, including the Govenaires Drum and Bugle Corps, 1 p.m. (507) 665-2501.

**Aug. 8** “This and That” theater performance by Minnesota Playwright Productions, 2 p.m. Good will donations accepted at the door. Held at The Blue Boat, 12 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 1710, Mankato. Contact Tom Barna at (507) 508-3336 for more information.

**Aug. 9** Concert in the Park Series: Larry Mages and the Mages Family Band performing at 7 p.m., held at German Park, 200 N. German St., New Ulm. Sponsored by the New Ulm Chamber of Commerce. (507) 233-4300 or [www.newulm.com/chamber-of-commerce/](http://www.newulm.com/chamber-of-commerce/).

**\*Aug. 10** Community Common Ground Series including fun and educational conversations that take two seemingly unrelated topics, learn about them from local community experts, and then work together to find the common ground that connects them, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Aug.’s event will feature punk rock music and pollinator gardens. The event will be held virtually on Zoom. Sponsored by the Living Earth Center, 170 Good Counsel Dr., Mankato. (507) 389-4272 or [www.livingearthcentermn.org](http://www.livingearthcentermn.org).

**\*Aug. 10** Summer Noontime Organ Recital by the Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, featuring Christine Schulz from Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Mankato, 12:10 p.m., free. Recital held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 720 S. 2nd St., Mankato. (507) 951-2665 or [www.agsiouxtrails.org](http://www.agsiouxtrails.org).

**\*Aug. 11** Kris and the Riverbend Dutchmen perform as part of the Music on Main series, 5-7 p.m. Held at the Gaylord City Park. Sponsored by the Gaylord Area Chamber of Commerce. (507) 237-5535 or [www.gaylordmnchamber.com](http://www.gaylordmnchamber.com).

**Aug. 11-15** Brown County Free Fair in New Ulm, view a complete schedule at <https://browncountyfreefair.com/>.

**Aug. 11-15** Nicollet County Fair in St. Peter, view a complete schedule at <https://nicolletcountyfair.com/>.

**\*Aug. 12** Music in the Park series: Larry Mages performing pop, country, and polka music, 6:30 p.m. Held at the Winthrop City Park, Cottonwood St. Rain location is Hahn’s Dining & Lounge, 206 N. Main St. Sponsored by the City of Winthrop. (507) 647-5306 or [www.winthropminnesota.com](http://www.winthropminnesota.com).

**Aug. 12** The Beach Boys, 2021 Feel Flows World Tour Concert, doors open at 6:30 p.m., show at 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$40-\$130. Held at the Vetter Stone Amphitheater, Riverfront Park, 310 W. Rock St., Mankato. Tickets available at the Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center Box Office, [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com), or call 1-800-745-3000. [www.vetterstoneamphitheater.com/home-vetterstone](http://www.vetterstoneamphitheater.com/home-vetterstone).

**Aug. 12-15** Gaylord’s Eggstravaganza Days, including a concert by the Minnesota “Over-60” Band, Aug. 14 at 3 p.m. View a complete schedule at <https://www.facebook.com/GaylordEggDays/>.

**\*Aug. 13** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music on their deck, featuring The Langer’s Ball performing Irish punk music, 6-8 p.m., free. Food and beverages will be available. Held at the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**\*Aug. 13** Music in the Park Series: Big John & Connie Pedersen performing country music, 12 Noon-1 p.m. Pizza slices available for purchase. Held at Citizen's Park, downtown Fairmont. Sponsored by Red Rock Center for the Arts. (507) 235-9262 or [www.redrockcenter.org](http://www.redrockcenter.org).

**Aug. 13-14** Disney's Moana Jr./Sr. High Musical Theater performance, 7 p.m. each day. Held at the Mankato West High School Auditorium, 1351 S. Riverfront Dr., Mankato. Sponsored by Mankato Area Community Education, (507) 387-5501 or [www.mankatocer.com](http://www.mankatocer.com).

**Aug. 13-15** "Into the Woods" theater performance by the Protean Players, Aug. 13-14 at 7 p.m. and Aug. 15 at 2 p.m. Tickets: In advance adults \$10, students \$5, available online at [www.statestreetnewulm.org](http://www.statestreetnewulm.org); at the door adults \$15, students \$10. Held at the State Street Theater, 1 N. State St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9990 or [www.statestreetnewulm.org](http://www.statestreetnewulm.org).

**Aug. 15** Maker Market, sponsored by the Minnesota Makers & Artist Guild, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., in-person. Shop for truly unique items created by local artists. Live performances and food vendors on site. Held at the Mankato Makerspace, 1700 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. (507) 514-2921 or [www.mankatomakerspace.org](http://www.mankatomakerspace.org).

**Aug. 16** Concert in the Park Series: Original German Band performing at 7 p.m., held at German Park, 200 N. German St., New Ulm. Sponsored by the New Ulm Chamber of Commerce. (507) 233-4300 or [www.newulm.com/chamber-of-commerce/](http://www.newulm.com/chamber-of-commerce/).

**Aug. 16-22** Martin County Fair in Fairmont, view a complete schedule at [www.mnotherbigfair.com/](http://www.mnotherbigfair.com/).

**\*Aug. 18** Larry Mages and the Mages Family Band perform as part of the Music on Main series, 5-7 p.m. Held at the Gaylord City Park. Sponsored by the Gaylord Area Chamber of Commerce. (507) 237-5535 or [www.gaylordmnchamber.com](http://www.gaylordmnchamber.com).

**Aug. 19** Music on Parkway: City Mouse performing at 7 p.m. Held at the city owned green space between the American Legion and Eagles Nest along Parkway Ave. in Eagle Lake. Sponsored by the City of Eagle Lake. (507) 257-3218 or <https://eaglelakemn.com/>.

**Aug. 19-22** LeSueur County Free Fair in LeCenter, view a complete schedule at <https://www.lesueurcountyfair.org/>.

**\*Aug. 20** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music on their deck, featuring The Blue River Combo performing swing music, 6-8 p.m., free. Food and beverages will be available. Held at the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**\*Aug. 20** Hot Jazz for Decent People Series: Jazz Concert by Adrian Barnett & The Questet, 7 p.m. Limited refreshments will be for sale by local vendors. Free, bring your own chair, coolers are permitted but no glass bottles. Held at Minnesota Square Park, St. Peter. Sponsored by the Arts Center of Saint Peter. (507) 931-3630 or [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org).

**\*Aug. 21** "Droppin' Beets" Community Concert in the Garden, 5-7 p.m. Three bands will perform. Free, bring a canned food item for the ECHO Food Shelf. Food trucks will be onsite. Held outside the Living Earth Center, 170 Good Counsel Dr., Mankato. (507) 389-4272 or [www.livingearthcentermn.org](http://www.livingearthcentermn.org).

**\*Aug. 21** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music on their deck, featuring Adrian Barnett & The Questet, performing jazz music, 7-9:30 p.m., tickets will be sold. Food and beverages will be

available. Held at the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**Aug. 23** Concert in the Park Series: Worst Band Ever performing at 7 p.m., held at German Park, 200 N. German St., New Ulm. Sponsored by the New Ulm Chamber of Commerce. (507) 233-4300 or [www.newulm.com/chamber-of-commerce/](http://www.newulm.com/chamber-of-commerce/).

**\*Aug. 25** Todd Anderson performs a Neil Diamond tribute as part of the Music on Main series, 5-7 p.m. Held at the Gaylord City Park. Sponsored by the Gaylord Area Chamber of Commerce. (507) 237-5535 or [www.gaylordmnchamber.com](http://www.gaylordmnchamber.com).

**Aug. 26** Author Pamela Nowak will discuss her book “Never Let Go” Survival of the Lake Shetek Women”, based on the real women and events of the 1862 Dakota War conflict, 12 noon-1:30 p.m. Held at the New Ulm Public Library Meeting Room, 17 N. Broadway. (507) 359-8334 or [www.newulmlibrary.org](http://www.newulmlibrary.org).

**\*Aug. 27** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music on their deck, featuring Los Rebeldes, performing Tex-Mex music, 6-8 p.m., free. Food and beverages will be available. Held at the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**\*Aug. 28-29** American Indian Creator’s Game Camp for youth from grades 5-8 to learn about and play lacrosse. Choose a two-hour camp time either day, 10 a.m.-12 Noon or 1-3 p.m. Learn about the culture, sport, and history from Dakota and Ojibwe perspectives. The sport will be played the historical way, to educate them on the origins of the game. The event is free and open to the public. Held at Wheeler Park, Center St., lower North Mankato.

**Aug. 27-Sept. 12** “Selfhood” Exhibit by Minnesota based female, femme, trans, and non-binary artists. Held at The 410 Project, 523 S. Front St., Mankato. Gallery hours: Wed.-Sat. 2-6 p.m. [www.the410project.com](http://www.the410project.com).

**Aug. 30** Concert in the Park Series: Teddy Bear Band performing at 7 p.m., held at German Park, 200 N. German St., New Ulm. Sponsored by the New Ulm Chamber of Commerce. (507) 233-4300 or [www.newulm.com/chamber-of-commerce/](http://www.newulm.com/chamber-of-commerce/).

### **\*GSR Fine Art Festival**

The GSR Fine Art Festival in Mankato continues as a virtual gallery to purchase local artists’ work. Search their ShopART gallery at: <https://shopart.gsrfineartfestival.com>

Area Wineries have live musical entertainment on Friday and Saturday evenings. Please contact them 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 631st Ave., Janesville. [www.indianislandwinery.com](http://www.indianislandwinery.com) or (507) 234-6222.  
Morgan Creek Vineyards, 23707 478th Ave., New Ulm. (507) 947-3547 or [www.morgancreekvineyards.com](http://www.morgancreekvineyards.com).  
Next Chapter Winery, 16945 320th St., New Prague. (612) 756-3012 or [www.nextchapterwinery.com](http://www.nextchapterwinery.com).

## **Youth Opportunities/Classes**

**\*Aug. 2-5** Summer Creativity Camp. For students who have completed K-7th grade. Morning sessions from 9 a.m.-12 Noon will be for grades K-3 and afternoon sessions from 1-4 p.m. will be for grades 4-7. Students participate in a variety of fine arts activities. \$100, registration required with New Ulm Community Ed at [www.newulm.k12.mn.us/community-ed/](http://www.newulm.k12.mn.us/community-ed/). Scholarships are available. Held at the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com) or (507) 359-9222.

**Aug. 2-14** Disney's Moana Jr./Sr. High Musical Theater, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. each day, for ages 11-18. Youth cast in this show will participate in all aspects of play production from acting to set creation, costume and make up design. \$80, register with Mankato Area Community Education. Held at the Mankato West High School Auditorium, 1351 S. Riverfront Dr., Mankato. (507) 387-5501 or [www.mankatocer.com](http://www.mankatocer.com).

**Aug. 3** Make and Take Art Class, 4:30-6 p.m. Grades K-3, \$10. Students will use elements of art and principles of design to complete a project to take home. This month is "Very Hungry Caterpillar Art" using watercolor resist techniques. Registration required with Waseca Community Education at <https://waseca.ce.eleyo.com/>. Meets first Tuesday of the month. Held at the Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. (507) 835-1701 or [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org).

**Aug. 3** Club Picasso Class, 4:30-6 p.m. Grades 4-6, \$10. Students will use elements of art and principles of design to complete a project to take home. This month is "Printmaking City Skylines." Registration required with Waseca Community Education at <https://waseca.ce.eleyo.com/>. Meets first Tuesday of the month. Held at the Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. (507) 835-1701 or [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org).

**Aug. 5** Messy Art Fun, for all ages, under age 10 with an adult, 10-11 a.m., \$10. An outdoor class to learn new and favorite messy art techniques and experimentation. Rain or shine! Dress for the mess and for the weather. Register with Fairmont Community Education, (507) 235-3141. Held at Red Rock Center for the Arts, 222 E. Blue Earth Ave., Fairmont. (507) 235-9262 [www.redrockcenter.org/](http://www.redrockcenter.org/).

**Aug. 5-20** Drawing Fundamentals Class, Thursdays and Fridays, 9:30 a.m.-12 Noon each day, for grades 7-12. Develop your drawing skills and technique with every class focusing on a different element or principle of design. \$10 per class, pick and choose. Registration required with Waseca Community Education at <https://waseca.ce.eleyo.com/>. Held at the Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. (507) 835-1701 or [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org).

**\*Aug. 9-13** Introduction to Social Justice Theatre for Youth Camp, 1-3:30 p.m. each day, for grades 5-8. Learn how to use the arts and theatre to highlight social justice issues such as environment, inclusion, bullying and more. \$30, register with Mankato Area Community Education. Held at the Lincoln Community Center Auditorium, 110 Fulton St., Mankato. (507) 387-5501 or [www.mankatocer.com](http://www.mankatocer.com).

**Aug. 10** Stained Glass Art Class, 12:30-2 p.m. for ages 7-11. Create a freeform style stained glass project on glass, using kid friendly materials. Please dress appropriately or bring a paint shirt. All materials provided! \$18, register with New Ulm Community Education. Held at the Washington Learning Center, Room 104, 910 14th St. N., New Ulm. (507) 233-8307 or [www.newulm.k12.mn.us/community-ed](http://www.newulm.k12.mn.us/community-ed).

**Aug. 10** Art Start for Tots, ages 18 months-4 years old with an adult, 10-11 a.m., \$8. Explore colors, shapes, counting, cultures, and more. Create artwork to take home. Register with Fairmont Community Education, (507) 235-3141. Held at Red Rock Center for the Arts, 222 E. Blue Earth Ave., Fairmont. (507) 235-9262 or [www.redrockcenter.org/](http://www.redrockcenter.org/).

**\*Aug. 21** Children's Learn to Paint Class with instructor Rhonda Johnson. 10 a.m.-12 Noon. Grades Kindergarten+, \$25. Children will be taught step-by-step painting technique. Registration required. Held at the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com) or (507) 359-9222.

**Aug.** Fall Registration for the Mankato Ballet Company. Classes start on Sept. 13 with in-person classes being held in the new location, 1650 Tullamore St., Mankato. Contact Mankato Ballet Company for class offerings and scheduled class times. (507) 625-7716 or [www.mankatoballet.org](http://www.mankatoballet.org).

**Aug. Fall Registration** for the Mankato Children's Chorus for the 2021-2022 season. Students in all choirs will automatically qualify for a one-time, 50% "Welcome Back" discount. Go to [www.mankatochildrenschorus.org](http://www.mankatochildrenschorus.org) to complete the online registration. (507) 774-0597 or [www.mankatochildrenschorus.org](http://www.mankatochildrenschorus.org).

## **Adult Opportunities/Classes**

**\*Aug. 2-23 Open Pottery Lab**, Mondays, 6-9 p.m. Purchase a punch card & clay coupon at the Mankato Community Education Office. Punch cards are \$39 for 8 sessions and a clay coupon is \$25 including 25 pounds of clay, glaze and firing. Held at the Lincoln Community Center, Room 153, 110 Fulton St., Mankato. (507) 387-5501 or [www.mankatocer.com](http://www.mankatocer.com).

**Aug. 4 & 18 Needlework Group**, self-directed time to work on projects including quilting, embroidery, crochet, knitting, etc. 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., meets the first and third Wednesdays of the month. Bring your own supplies. Held at the New Ulm Public Library Meeting Room, 17 N. Broadway. (507) 359-8334 or [www.newulmmn.gov/363/Library](http://www.newulmmn.gov/363/Library).

**Aug. 5-20 Drawing Fundamentals Class**, Thursdays and Fridays, 5:30-7:30 p.m. each day. Develop your drawing skills and technique with every class focusing on a different element or principle of design. \$10 per class, pick and choose. Registration required with Waseca Community Education at <https://waseca.ce.eleyo.com/>. Held at the Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. (507) 835-1701 or [www.wasecartcenter.org](http://www.wasecartcenter.org).

**\*Aug. 7 Writing in the Park Class**. 10 a.m.-12 Noon. Bring a notebook, a pen, and a lawn chair, and join poet Ronda Redmond for writing prompts to strengthen your creative muscles. For all types of creatives at all levels. \$10, register at [www.artscentersp.org/classes/](http://www.artscentersp.org/classes/). Contact the Arts Center for class location. Sponsored by the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. (507) 931-3630 or [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org).

**Aug. 9 Poetry Group**, each participant is encouraged to read aloud two or three poems, of their own or by others, and discuss them. 6:30 p.m. Held at the New Ulm Public Library Meeting Room, 17 N. Broadway. (507) 359-8334 or [www.newulmlibrary.org](http://www.newulmlibrary.org).

**Aug. 10 Jewelry Making Hematite Bracelet Class**, 6-7 p.m., \$29. Learn what hematite is and create a beautiful piece of art to take home. Register with Waseca Community Education at [www.waseca.ce.eleyo.com](http://www.waseca.ce.eleyo.com). Held at Waseca Central Building, 501 E. Elm Ave. (507) 835-5626 or [www.waseca.ce.eleyo.com](http://www.waseca.ce.eleyo.com).

**\*Aug. 15-16 Auditions** for the Mankato Playhouse's performances of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.", 7 p.m. each day. Callbacks, if needed, will be Aug. 17. Please bring sheet music for a song you have already learned. Mankato Playhouse will provide a pianist at auditions to accompany you. Do not use a song from the show. Do not sing to taped music or sing a cappella. Performance dates are Oct. 8-24. Held at the Mankato Event Center, 12 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 1700. (507) 508-6539 or [www.mankatoplayhouse.com](http://www.mankatoplayhouse.com).

**\*Aug. 26 Painting with Rhonda Class** for teens and adults with disabilities, 6:15-7:30 p.m. Classes are free; however registration is required via call, text, email or website. The in-person class will be held outside at the New Ulm Community Center lower level parking area, 600 N. German St. For more information contact Adaptive Recreational Services Coordinator Karrie Borchert, (507) 217-0383, [arsnu@newulmtel.net](mailto:arsnu@newulmtel.net), or [www.nuars.org](http://www.nuars.org).

**\*Aug. Singing Hills Chorus Fall Session Registration**. Rehearsals for the "Hearts & Harmony" fall season will be held from Thursday, Sept. 9-Dec. 9, 9:30-11:30 a.m., including a half hour social time. Fee: \$25.00 per person. The chorus is accepting registrations for "singing duets", a person living with Alzheimer's or a related

dementia and a care partner (family or friend). The fall concert will be held on December 11. Held at School Sisters of Notre Dame, 170 Good Counsel Drive, Mankato. Visit [www.singinghillschorus.org](http://www.singinghillschorus.org) for more information.

**Aug. Art Appreciation Group**, meets every Wednesday, except holidays. Two sessions available: Morning sessions 10 a.m.-12 Noon or afternoon sessions 5:30-7:30 p.m. This group works on different techniques and learns new things from each other. Every week is different. Sign up at the Waseca Art Center or online at [www.wasecaartscenter.org](http://www.wasecaartscenter.org). Free for Art Center members or \$35 per session for non-members. Held at Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. (507) 835-1701 or [www.wasecaartscenter.org](http://www.wasecaartscenter.org).

**Aug. Call for Artists**. Do you have an idea for an exhibit at the Red Rock Center for the Arts? Solo and group shows welcome. Visit <https://www.redrockcenter.org/current-and-upcoming-exhibits.html> or call the Red Rock Center to submit a 2022 Exhibition Proposal today! [www.redrockcenter.org](http://www.redrockcenter.org) or (507) 235-9262.

**Aug. GSR Fine Art Festival Applications**. The GSR Fine Art Festival is a juried exhibition held at the Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center in Mankato. Applications are now being accepted through Sept. 1. All sales from the festival go directly to the artists. Accepted artists will also be included in the online gallery, ShopART, <https://shopart.gsrfineartfestival.com/>. Festival dates are Nov. 27-28, 2021. For more information contact (507) 351-5008 or [www.gsrfineartfestival.com](http://www.gsrfineartfestival.com).

**\*Mankato Makers Space** is offering art classes in ceramics, leather, glass work, metal sculpture, woodworking and more. Classes may have limited numbers of participants. Visit their website to view the list of classes offered. Held at the Mankato Makerspace, 1700 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. (507) 514-2921 or [www.mankatomakerspace.org](http://www.mankatomakerspace.org).

**Minnesota State Arts Board** is conducting an open call for Grant Application Reviewers. The Minnesota State Arts Board seeks generous involvement of Minnesota citizens to review grant program applications remotely, serving a four-week term during July 2021-March 2022. Receive a modest financial stipend for your time providing feedback on assigned applications and help determine which will be recommended to receive funding. For more information contact (800) 866-2787, [Jenea.Rewertz-Targui@arts.state.mn.us](mailto:Jenea.Rewertz-Targui@arts.state.mn.us), or go to [www.arts.state.mn.us/reviewer.htm](http://www.arts.state.mn.us/reviewer.htm).

**\*The Grand Center for Arts and Culture** in New Ulm has an opportunity for artists, historians, and makers in all disciplines to curate a bi-monthly exhibit in “The Smallest Museum in Minnesota”. The museum cabinet is 31.75” wide, 32.75” high and 7.5” deep. The museum is located outside The Grand’s front entrance and can be visited anytime at 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. Find more information at [www.thegrandnewulm.com/smallest-museum-in-mn](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com/smallest-museum-in-mn).

## **Grant Opportunities**

**Aug. 6 Minnesota State Arts Board Creative Support for Individuals Deadline**. This program is flexible and meant to help Minnesota artists and culture bearers adapt to a changing and challenging environment in which to work. This grant program will help them maintain their visibility and financial sustainability. Grantees will be able to use funds to sustain their practice and stay relevant and connected to audiences, participants, students, or communities now and in the future. Grant range: \$2,000-\$6,000. Application deadline: Aug. 6 at 4:30 p.m. For more information contact (800) 866-2787 or [CreativeSupport-Individuals@arts.state.mn.us](mailto:CreativeSupport-Individuals@arts.state.mn.us). For a link to the online application go to the MN State Arts Board website: [www.arts.state.mn.us](http://www.arts.state.mn.us).

**Oct. 1 Minnesota State Arts Board Creative Support for Organizations Deadline**. This program is flexible support for Minnesota arts organizations and for non-arts organizations that regularly offer arts programming as an integral part of their missions. It is meant to help rebuild, reimagine, and continue to adapt arts programming in response to the changing environment caused by the global pandemic. This grant program is intended to help



Minnesota organizations maintain the long-term viability of their arts programming so that Minnesota residents and communities will maintain access and connection to the arts. Grant range: \$5,000-\$25,000. Application deadline: Oct. 1 at 4:30 p.m. For more information contact (800) 866-2787 or [CreativeSupport-Organizations@arts.state.mn.us](mailto:CreativeSupport-Organizations@arts.state.mn.us). For a link to the online application go to the MN State Arts Board website: [www.arts.state.mn.us](http://www.arts.state.mn.us).

## **Non-Profit Art Centers**

**Arts & Heritage Center of Montgomery**, 206 B. First St. Various events and monthly exhibits. Gallery 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 all classes at [www.stpetercommunityedonline.com](http://www.stpetercommunityedonline.com) or [www.artscentersp.org/classes/](http://www.artscentersp.org/classes/). Gallery hours: Tues. & Wed. 1-6 p.m., Thurs. 1-8 p.m., Fri. & Sun. 1-5 p.m. and 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, (Temporarily Closed)** 120 S. Broad St., 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. [artctr@hickorytech.net](mailto:artctr@hickorytech.net), (507) 625-2730, or [www.thecarnegiemandkato.com](http://www.thecarnegiemandkato.com).

**Emy Frenz Arts Guild Gallery, (Temporarily Closed)** 523 S. Second St., Mankato. Artist studios and gallery space. (507) 779-7206, [emyfrenzartsguild@gmail.com](mailto:emyfrenzartsguild@gmail.com).

**Mankato Makerspace**, 1700 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Mankato. They offer art classes in ceramics, leather, glass work, metal sculpture, woodworking and more. Visit their website to view the list of classes offered. (507) 514-2921 or [www.mankatomakerspace.org](http://www.mankatomakerspace.org).

**Red Rock Center for the Arts**, 222 E. Blue Earth Ave., Fairmont. Hours: Tues., Wed. & Fri. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Thurs. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and 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 [info@redrockcenter.org](mailto:info@redrockcenter.org).

**The 410 Project**, 523 S. Front St., Mankato. Monthly exhibits. Gallery hours: Wed.-Sat. 2-6 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 will be scheduled in-person as possible and virtually, promoted via our web site and social media. Gallery shows held monthly, with virtual slideshows online. Gallery and gift shop hours: Tues.-Fri. 12 Noon-5 p.m., office hours Tues.-Fri. 10-4 p.m. The Smallest Museum in MN display case is located outside. Artist studios available for rent on third floor of The Grand. [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com), (507) 359-9222, or [grand@thegrandnewulm.com](mailto:grand@thegrandnewulm.com).

**Waseca Art Center**, 200 N. State Street. Monthly exhibits, educational programs, and weekly art appreciation discussions. Gallery hours: Wed. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Thurs.-Fri. 12 Noon-7 p.m. (507) 835-1701, [info@wasecaartcenter.org](mailto:info@wasecaartcenter.org) or [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org).

## **College Galleries**

**Bethany Lutheran College**, 700 Luther Dr., Mankato. Monthly art exhibits are held at Ylvisaker Fine Arts Center. Gallery hours are Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-9 p.m. and Saturday & Sunday 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/finearts/hillstrom/](http://www.gustavus.edu/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. To inquire about displaying artwork, email: [michelle.johnson@southcentral.edu](mailto:michelle.johnson@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.