

## Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council

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## July 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.

**July 1-2** Two large paintings by Robert Clunie and Henry Gasser that were donated by Ohio collector James Woods, will be on display through the front window. The campus of Gustavus Adolphus College is open to the public. Held at the Hillstrom Museum of Art, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter. (507) 933-7200 or <https://gustavus.edu/finearts/hillstrom/exhibitions.php>.

**\*July 1-3** Kim Loranger's Exhibit of works in a variety of mediums. 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).

**\*July 1-3** Gary Campbell's "Visual Music" Exhibit of new work. 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).

**July 1-15** Mary Walchuk's "2020 in Colored Pencil" Drawing Exhibit, telling the story of a year of pandemic, politics, and social unrest. Held at Raydiance Salon Art Gallery, 11 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 101, Mankato. Gallery hours: Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sat. 8 a.m.-2 p.m. [raydiance@raydiancesalon.com](mailto:raydiance@raydiancesalon.com)

**\*July 1-16** Nan Karr Kaufenberg's "Treasured Images – 25 Years of Block Prints" Exhibit featuring landscapes, architecture, and every day scenes. 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.

**\*July 1-23** Arron Rykhus and Micayla Best's Exhibits, and the Youth Membership Show. 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.

**July 1-Aug. 6** 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. Guests attending who have not been vaccinated are required to wear masks; physical distancing is expected of all attendees. 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/).

**July 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 Art Gallery, 415 E. Cherry St., Mankato. [www.blueearthcountyhistory.com](http://www.blueearthcountyhistory.com) or (507) 345-5566.

**\*July 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.

**\*July 2** Music in the Park Series: The Paul Stewart Show performing 50's and 60's country, rock, and blues music, 12 Noon-1 p.m. Hot dogs 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).

**July 4** Lakefest Music Festival at Clear Lake Park in Waseca, free. Joe Nino performs at 3 p.m., Miller Denn at 4 p.m., Los Tequileros at 5:30 p.m., The Resonant Rogues at 7 p.m., and Charlie Parr with Liz Draper at 8 p.m. Bring your own lawn chair or blanket, coolers permitted but no glass bottles. Fireworks at 10 p.m. (507) 835-3260.

**July 4** 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade in Elysian, including the Minnesota "Over-60" Band, 2 p.m. (507) 267-4708.

**July 4** 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade in St. Peter, including the Mankato Area 77 Lancers Marching Band and the Riverblenders Chorus of Mankato, 10 a.m. (507) 934-3400.

**July 5** Concert in the Park Series: Sleepy Eye Concertina 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/).

**\*July 6** Summer Noontime Organ Recital by the Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, featuring David Mertesdorf from Church of the Ascension in Minneapolis, 12:10 p.m., free. Recital held at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 222 Pfau St., Mankato. (507) 951-2665 or [www.agosiouxtrails.org](http://www.agosiouxtrails.org).

**\*July 6 & 12** The Mankato Area Community Band Concerts for 2021 will take place in Sibley Park, 900 Mound Ave., Mankato, at the Leas Schwickert Memorial Band Shell, 7:30 p.m. Bring a blanket or lawn chair. Rain cancels. The band will rehearse outdoors this year on Mondays at the bandshell 6:30-8:30 p.m. and 6:30-7:30 p.m. before each concert. The public is invited to attend band practices or listen while doing other park activities. (507) 387-6990 or [www.mankatoareacommunityband.us](http://www.mankatoareacommunityband.us).

**\*July 7** Off Duty Chief performs 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).

**July 7, 14 & 21** New Ulm Municipal Band Concerts, 7 p.m., held at German Park, 200 N. German St., New Ulm. (507) 359-8347.

**July 8** Music with Maud Hixson. Dance along to the beautiful songs of Maud Hixson as she brings the world of author Maud Hart Lovelace's Betsy-Tacy series to life through music. 10:30 a.m. at Sibley Park shelter #3, 900 Mound Ave. Mankato. 1 p.m. at Martson Park, 110 N. Main St., Lake Crystal. 4 p.m. at Mapleton Library Park, 104 1<sup>st</sup> Ave NE. Sponsored by the Blue Earth County Library, 100 E. Main St., Mankato. (507) 304-4001 or [www.beclibrary.org](http://www.beclibrary.org).

**\*July 8-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).

**\*July 9** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music on their deck, featuring Colby Straka performing acoustic 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).

**\*July 9** Music in the Park Series: storytelling singers and songwriters Charlie Roth and Matt Folkers performing 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).

**\*July 9** Hot Jazz for Decent People Series: Jazz Concert by Chaz Draper and Friends, 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).

**\*July 9-10** Madelia Park Days. **July 9:** Parade at 7 p.m. including the Minnesota “Over-60” Band and other musical groups. Free Concert in the park IV Play at 8 p.m. Fireworks at 10 p.m. **July 10:** Rivers Edge Arts & More Fair, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and free Blues Music Festival, beginning at 11:40 a.m., including performances by Billy and the Bangers, Inside Straight Blues Band, Phil Kitze & the Resonators, Soulmates, and the Jimmy’s. Held at Watona Park, Madelia. Sponsored by the Madelia Area Chamber of Commerce. (507) 642-8822 or [www.visitmadelia.com](http://www.visitmadelia.com).

**\*July 9-Aug. 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).

**July 9-Sept. 3** The Heinselmannchen 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).

**July 10** Poetry Speaks!, sponsored by Minnesota Poetry Out Loud, 10 a.m. Event includes student recitations, professional poet performances, and more. Free. Held at Curiosi-Tea House, 1745 Commerce Dr., North Mankato. Contact Melanie Schmidt at [poetry@mnspsc.org](mailto:poetry@mnspsc.org) or (507) 317-5386 for more information.

**July 10** Fun Days parade in North Mankato, including the Mankato Area 77 Lancers Marching Band, 11 a.m. (507) 625-4141.

**July 11** Farm/City Funfest parade in Winthrop, including the Minnesota “Over-60” Band, 2 p.m. (507) 647-5306.

**July 12** Concert in the Park Series: The Wendinger 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/).

**\*July 13** 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. July’s event will feature murals presented by artist Dana Sikkila and mushrooms presented by Rick Esser. 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).

**\*July 13** Summer Noontime Organ Recital by the Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, featuring Grace Kunkel from Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Mankato, 12:10 p.m., free. Recital held at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 222 Pfau St., Mankato. (507) 951-2665 or [www.agosioxtrails.org](http://www.agosioxtrails.org).

**July 14** Festag Days parade in Minnesota Lake, including the Minnesota “Over-60” Band, 7 p.m. (507) 462-3277.

**\*July 14** Jeff Christ performs 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).

**July 14-18** Waseca County Free Fair in Waseca, view a complete schedule at [www.wasecacountyfreefair.com](http://www.wasecacountyfreefair.com).

**\*July 15** Music in the Park series: Dakota Ramblers performing country 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).

**July 15** Music on Parkway: Powerhouse performing classic rock, rhythm and blues, swing, and soul music, 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/>.

**July 15** Music in the Park Series: Dave Sandersfeld performing 5:30-7:30 p.m. Held at Wheeler Park, 402 Page Ave., North Mankato. Sponsored by the North Mankato Taylor Library, 1001 Belgrade Ave. [www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary](http://www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary) or (507) 345-5120.

**July 15-18** Watonwan County Fair in St. James, view a complete schedule at [www.watonwancountyfair.com](http://www.watonwancountyfair.com).

**July 15-18** Bavarian Blast, a German & American Music Festival featuring all sorts of music on multiple stages, including German-style bands, old-time, rock, and country music. Visit [www.bavarianblast.com](http://www.bavarianblast.com) for a complete schedule of events. Held at the Brown County Fairgrounds, 1212 N. Franklin St., New Ulm. (507) 233-4300.

**\*July 16** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music on their deck, featuring Freaque performing folk 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).

**\*July 16** Mankato Area 77 Lancers Marching Band 2021 Final Concert, 7 p.m. Held at the Mankato East High School Football Field, 2600 Hoffman Rd. [www.77lancers.com](http://www.77lancers.com) or (507) 389-5545.

**July 16-17** 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Murder Mystery Dinner Theater starring local cast members, "Murder on Budd Lake". Doors open at 5:30 p.m. to meet the cast. Dinner and show at 6:30 p.m. each night. Members \$40, non-members \$45, table of 6 \$250, table of 8 \$330, advanced purchase required at <http://redrockcenter.ticketleap.com>. Held at the Red Rock Center for the Arts, 222 E. Blue Earth Ave., Fairmont. (507) 235-9262 or [www.redrockcenter.org](http://www.redrockcenter.org).

**July 19** Concert in the Park Series: Molly & Sunny Boy 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/).

**\*July 20** Summer Noontime Organ Recital by the Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, featuring Sean Connolly from Church of St. Mary in Sleepy Eye, 12:10 p.m., free. Recital held at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 222 Pfau St., Mankato. (507) 951-2665 or [www.agosioxtrails.org](http://www.agosioxtrails.org).

**July 20** Junk Funk Drumming with Marc Anderson. Use everyday objects to create hip-hop grooves, traditional African rhythms, and iconic funky beats. 1 p.m. at Martson Park, 110 N. Main St., Lake Crystal. 4 p.m. at Mapleton Library Park, 104 1<sup>st</sup> Ave NE. Sponsored by the Blue Earth County Library, 100 E. Main St., Mankato. (507) 304-4001 or [www.beclibrary.org](http://www.beclibrary.org).

**\*July 21** The Whitesidewalls 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).

**July 21-Aug. 1** Fairmont Area Community Theater presents the musical “Mama Mia!”, July 21-24 & 29-30 at 7 p.m. and July 25, 31 & Aug. 1 at 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).

**July 22** The Mavericks En Espanol World Tour Concert, doors open at 6 p.m., show at 7 p.m. Tickets \$30-\$80. 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).

**July 22** Music in the Park Series: Good Night Gold Dust performing 5:30-7:30 p.m. Held at Wheeler Park, 402 Page Ave., North Mankato. Sponsored by the North Mankato Taylor Library, 1001 Belgrade Ave. [www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary](http://www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary) or (507) 345-5120.

**July 22-25** Blue Earth County Fair in Garden City, including a concert by the Minnesota “Over-60” Band, July 22 at 5 p.m. View a complete schedule at [www.blueearthcountyfair.org](http://www.blueearthcountyfair.org).

**\*July 23** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music on their deck, featuring Mark Braun & Caleb Braun-Schultz performing rock, country, blues, and Americana 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).

**\*July 23** Hot Jazz for Decent People Series: Jazz Concert by the Ted Olsen Quartet, 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).

**July 23-25** “Little Shop of Horrors” theater performance, July 23 & 24 at 7 p.m. and July 25 at 2 p.m. Tickets: In advance adults \$12.50, students \$8, available online at [www.statestreetnewulm.org](http://www.statestreetnewulm.org), at New Ulm HyVee or the New Ulm Chamber of Commerce; 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).

**\*July 23-25** “A Night of One Acts” by actors in grades 9-12. Contact Healthy Communities/Healthy Youth for location, performance times, etc. Sponsored by Healthy Communities/Healthy Youth of Brown County, (507) 354-8632 or [hchynua@newulmtel.net](mailto:hchynua@newulmtel.net).

**July 24** Marktstrasse, a maker fair for vendors with only handcrafted items, including glass work, pottery, paintings, and more. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Held in downtown New Ulm. (507) 340-1721 or [makerfairmn@gmail.com](mailto:makerfairmn@gmail.com).

**July 25** Kolacky Days parade in Montgomery, including the Minnesota “Over-60” Band, 12 Noon. (507) 953-0094.

**July 26** Concert in the Park Series: The Schell’s Hobo 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/).

**\*July 27** Summer Noontime Organ Recital by the Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, featuring Wayne Wagner and Craig Hirschmann from Martin Luther College in New Ulm, 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).

**\*July 28** The Brueskes 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.gaylordmncchamber.com](http://www.gaylordmncchamber.com).

**July 28** Indigenous Hoop Dancing performance by the Sampson Brothers, 10 a.m. Held at Storybook Park, 900 Nicollet Ave., North Mankato. Sponsored by the North Mankato Taylor Library, 1001 Belgrade Ave. [www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary](http://www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary) or (507) 345-5120.

**July 28-31** Faribault County Fair in Blue Earth, view a complete schedule at [www.faribaultcountyfair.com](http://www.faribaultcountyfair.com).

**\*July 28-Sept. 10** Mary Walchuk's "Then Sings My Soul: A Celebration in Color" Drawing Exhibit and Jacky Garlock's Painting Exhibit. 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.

**\*July 29** Music in the Park series: John "A-Frame" Beck performing blues, folk, and rock-a-billy 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).

**July 29** Music in the Park Series: DW3 performing 5:30-7:30 p.m. Held at Wheeler Park, 402 Page Ave., North Mankato. Sponsored by the North Mankato Taylor Library, 1001 Belgrade Ave. [www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary](http://www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary) or (507) 345-5120.

**\*July 30** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music on their deck, featuring Crista Bohlmann performing rock, country, folk, and bluegrass 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).

**\*July 31-Aug. 27** Carter and Matt Johnson's Exhibit. 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.

### **\*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>

### **\*Project GEM**

Project GEM is hosting their Annual Creative Youth Show virtually in 2021, showcasing student artwork from the area. Go to their website and click on the Gallery link to view the artwork. [www.projectgemMN.org](http://www.projectgemMN.org) or (507) 726-6047.

Area Wineries have brought back 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**

**July 6** 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 "Birthday Banner Bonanza". 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).

**July 6 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 “Jewelry, Let’s Make Some!” 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).

**July 8 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/).

**July 8-Aug. 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; or all 14 classes for \$140, Art Center members \$100. 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).

**\*July 12-15 International Language Camp**. For students who have completed grades 3-6, 9 a.m.-12 Noon each day. Students will learn about the cultures of France, Spain, Germany, and China and will participate in a variety of activities including songs, crafts, games, cooking, language instruction, and more. \$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.

**July 13 Art Start for Tots**, ages 18 months-4 years old with an adult, 10-11 a.m., \$8. Explore colors, shapes, counting, and cultures. Create artwork to take home. This month is “Spectacular Sculptures”. 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/).

**\*July 17 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.

**\*July 19-23 Introduction to Social Justice Theatre for Youth Camp**, 8:30-11 a.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).

#### Youth Summer Dance Class Opportunities:

Dance Conservatory of Southern Minnesota: <https://www.dcsmdance.com/performances> or (507) 625-2005.  
Mankato Ballet Company: <http://mankatoballet.org/classes/summer/> or (507) 625-7716.

## **Adult Opportunities/Classes**

**\*July 3 Writing in the Park Class**. Saturdays, 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. Additional session will be Aug. 7. \$10 drop-in fee per single session. Register at

[www.artscentersp.org/classes/](http://www.artscentersp.org/classes/). Contact the Arts Center for each 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).

**\*July 5-Aug. 23** Open Pottery Lab, Mondays, 6-9 p.m. Purchase a punch card & clay coupon at the Mankato Community Ed. 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).

**July 6-27** Intermediate Weaving Class, Tuesdays, 6-9 p.m. Take your weaving to the next level by exploring waffle weave. Learn about shrinkage, balance, and other key aspects of weaving a completed project. The Arts Center will provide a warped loom and fiber materials in advance. \$40, classes will be held as Zoom Meetings. Register at [www.artscentersp.org/classes/](http://www.artscentersp.org/classes/). Sponsored by Held at Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. (507) 931-3630 or [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org).

**July 7 & 21** 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).

**July 8-Aug. 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; or all 14 classes for \$140, Art Center members \$100. 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).

**July 12** 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).

**July 15** Downtown New Ulm Mural Application Deadline, 4 p.m. The New Ulm Downtown Action Team is seeking qualified artist(s) or an artist team to create a mural in the city's historic downtown at 1st North and North Minnesota Streets. The artwork will be displayed on the building's exterior wall of the Nuvera building. Your artwork, whether it be graphic design or a physical painting, will be in a framed 20' x 80' art medium. The artwork will not be directly on the building. It will be printed on billboard material that will then be placed in a frame. Themes could include New Ulm history or attractions. For more information go to <https://www.newulm.com/call-for-artists/>.

**July 15** Jewelry Making Hematite Bracelet Class, 1-2 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).

**\*July 16** Artist-in-Residence Application Entry Deadline. The Grand Center for Arts and Culture will host up to three artists for individual two-three week artist residencies for Fall 2021 and Winter 2022. Artists will have the opportunity to use the Cellar Press printmaking studios and create works as an integral part of their artistic practice. For more information go to [www.thegrandnewulm.com/artistinresidence-program](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com/artistinresidence-program). The Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**July 18** Exhibition application deadline. The 410 Project is hosting "Selfhood" an exhibition to bring large-scale street art into the gallery space. They are calling out to Minnesota female, femme, trans, non-binary artists, and makers to come in and create work directly on the gallery walls. The walls will be divided into strips (from



top to bottom), allowing 15 artists the space to create directly onto the wall. Artists will be invited to make work that defines and celebrates them as creatives. They can work in acrylic paint, spray paint, drawing materials, printmaking, fibers, and other 2D materials. Exhibition dates: Aug. 27–Sept. 12, 2021. All Ages Welcome. Contact the 410 Project or go to their Facebook page for a link to the Google Form application. Held at the 410 Project, 523 S. Front St., Mankato. [the410project@hotmail.com](mailto:the410project@hotmail.com) or [www.the410project.com](http://www.the410project.com).

**\*July 22 Painting with Rhonda Class** for teens and adults with disabilities, 6:15-7:30 p.m. Classes are free; however registration is required. The in-person class will be held outside at the New Ulm Community Center lower level parking area, 600 N. German St. There will be some canvases available for painting at home. Call to schedule pick up or delivery. 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).

**July 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.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.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.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org).

**\*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**

**July 15 Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation Small Town Grant Deadline.** Towns with populations of 10,000 or less are eligible. Requests of up to \$10,000 for eligible projects will be considered. The Small Town Grant Program supports projects which identify ways to boost the well-being of individuals and quality of life in small communities. Projects which foster community engagement and collaboration that impacts the culture, education, economy and/or social aspects of the town are eligible. Grant applications and guidelines are available at [www.smifoundation.org](http://www.smifoundation.org). Application deadline: July 15 at 4 p.m. Contact Jennifer at the Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation for more information, (507) 214-7040 or [jenniferh@smifoundation.org](mailto:jenniferh@smifoundation.org).

**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).

**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.