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July 2022 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 1-8** Monica Ihrke's Prints Exhibit inspired by the North Shore of Minnesota. Held at 4 Pillars Gallery, The Grand Center for Arts and Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. Gallery hours: Tues.-Sat. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Viewing also available online in the virtual gallery. (507) 359-9222 or www.thegrandnewulm.com.

***July 1-29** Glen Burns' Exhibit in the Great Hall Gallery and the Hometown Art Show in the Beckmann Gallery with a Silent Auction. (Reception, July 29, 5-7 p.m., the winning bids will be awarded.) 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 or (507) 835-1701.

July 1-Aug. 5 "Broadcasting Live From the Triangle" Exhibit of vintage radios by Dwyane Jindra. 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.

July 1-Aug. 6 Kathy Moe's Hardanger Exhibit, 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.

***July 1-Aug. 27** 2022 Membership Show of visual and literary art. 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.

***July 1-April 2023** The 2022 CityArt Walking Sculpture Tour artwork is installed in the city centers of Mankato and North Mankato. www.cityartmankato.com or (507) 388-1062.

***July 4** Lakefest Music Festival at Clear Lake Park in Waseca, free. Pete Klug performs at 3 p.m., Miller Denn at 4 p.m., Los Tequileros at 5 p.m., Luke LeBlanc at 6:30 p.m., and Erik Koskinen at 7:30 p.m. Bring your own lawn chair or blanket, coolers permitted but no glass bottles. Fireworks at 10 p.m. (507) 835-7700.

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

July 4 Red, Hot, Boom, July 4th celebration, doors open at 5 p.m., with live entertainment and food. Fireworks begin at 10 p.m. and are synced to Mankato radio stations. 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, or call 1-800-745-3000. www.vetterstoneamphitheater.com/home-vetterstone.

***July 5** Henderson Music on Main Concert by Jeff Christ performing classic rock, country, and folk music, 5-8 p.m. Held in conjunction with the Classic Car Roll In. Held outdoors in the Evolution Shirts Parking Lot, 307 Main St., Henderson. Sponsored by the Henderson Lions Club, (507) 380-7789.

July 5 Summer Noontime Organ Recital by the Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, featuring David Fienen from Gustavus Adolphus College, 12:10 p.m., free. Recital held at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 105 N. 5th St., Mankato. (507) 934-1836 or www.agosiouxtrails.org.

***July 6** Gaylord Music on Main Concert Series: Tim Eggebraaten and Off Duty Chief performing classic rock and country music, 5-7 p.m. Held at the Gaylord City Park, intersection of Park Dr. and Lake Blvd. Sponsored by the Gaylord Area Chamber of Commerce. (507) 237-5535 or www.exploreGaylord.org/chamber-of-commerce.

July 6, 13 & 20 New Ulm Municipal Band Concerts, 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/.

***July 8** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music, featuring Tony Rook Band performing bluegrass music, 6-8 p.m., free. Food and beverages will be available. Held on the deck at the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or www.theGrandNewUlm.com.

***July 8** Hot Jazz for Decent People Series: Concert by The EZ Jazz Trio, 7-8:30 p.m. Free, bring your own chair, refreshments and coolers are permitted but no glass bottles. The St. Peter Public Library will host a free book giveaway. Held at Minnesota Square Park, St. Peter. Sponsored by the Arts Center of Saint Peter. (507) 931-3630 or www.artscentersp.org.

***July 8-9** Madelia Park Days. **July 8:** Parade at 7 p.m. including the Minnesota “Over-60” Band and other musical groups. Free music in the park by Red Dirt Road at 8:30 & 10:30 p.m. Fireworks at 10 p.m. **July 9:** 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, Mark Cameron Band, Scottie Miller Band, Bad Liquor Management, and Too Slim and the Taildraggers. Held at Watona Park, Madelia. Sponsored by the Madelia Area Chamber of Commerce. (507) 642-8822 or www.visitMadelia.com.

***July 10** Summerburst Concert Series: Garrett Steinberg performing a Billy Joel and Elton John medley as well as old-time and traditional music, 12 Noon-1:30 p.m. Held at the New Richland City Park. Rain location is Trinity Lutheran Church, 204 1st St. NW, New Richland. (507) 521-1209.

July 10 Farm/City Fun Fest parade in Winthrop, including the Minnesota “Over-60” Band, 2 p.m. (507) 647-5306.

July 11 Concert in the Park Series: 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/.

***July 12** Noon Lunch with the Arts Program. Free musical entertainment by Sister Luv. Complimentary hot dog lunch. Held at the Red Rock Center for the Arts, 222 E. Blue Earth Ave., Fairmont. (507) 235-9262 or www.redrockcenter.org.

***July 12** Henderson Music on Main Concert by Farmer Josh performing folk, country, and rock music, 5-8 p.m. Held in conjunction with the Classic Car Roll In. Held outdoors in the Evolution Shirts Parking Lot, 307 Main St., Henderson. Sponsored by the Henderson Lions Club, (507) 380-7789.

July 12 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, 12:10 p.m., free. Recital held at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 105 N. 5th St., Mankato. (507) 934-1836 or www.agosiouxtrails.org.

July 12 Thunder of Drums, Drum and Bugle Corps Show and Competition at Blakeslee Field, Minnesota State University, Mankato, 7 p.m. Show includes the Govenaires, Colts, Colt Cadets, Madison Scouts, River City Rhythm, and Phantom Regiment. Reserved seats in advance \$23, 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. (507) 382-2739 or TODtickets@gmail.com.

July 12 Film screening and discussion of a film as part of the “Clint Eastwood Directs Series”, 6:30 p.m. Hosted by The New Ulm Film Society. Held at the New Ulm Public Library Meeting Room, 17 N. Broadway. (507) 359-8334 or www.newulmmn.gov/363/Library.

***July 12 & 19** The Mankato Area Community Band will perform free outdoor concerts in Mankato at 7:30 p.m. Concerts will be in Sibley Park at 900 Mound Ave. We play all of your favorites. These family concerts are for all ages. Bring a blanket or lawn chair. Rain or extreme heat will cancel the performance. (507) 387-6990 or “Mankato Area Community Band” on Facebook.

***July 13** Gaylord Music on Main Concert Series: Jeff Christ performing rock, country, and blues music, 5-7 p.m. Held at the Gaylord City Park, intersection of Park Dr. and Lake Blvd. Sponsored by the Gaylord Area Chamber of Commerce. (507) 237-5535 or www.exploreGaylord.org/chamber-of-commerce.

July 13-17 Waseca County Free Fair in Waseca, learn more at www.wasecacountyfreefair.com.

***July 14** Music in the Park series: Scott Kargas performing music from 1950-2000s, 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.

***July 14** Music at the Broz Concert Series: Smisek Bros. performing gospel, country, and rock music, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Bring lawn chairs or blankets to set out on the grass. Held on the grassy area west of the Hotel Broz, 212 W. Main St., New Prague. Sponsored by the New Prague Area Arts Council, (952) 758-1733 or <https://www.npaschools.org/community-education/arts-council>.

July 14 Music in the Park by The Benson Family Singers, performing barbershop, bluegrass, and gospel music, 6:30 p.m. Held at Gomsrud Park, 260 W. Lair Rd., Fairmont. Sponsored by Red Rock Center for the Arts. (507) 235-9262 or www.redrockcenter.org.

July 14 Music in the Park Series: Spoon Cherries performing rock, alternative, and country music, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Held at Wheeler Park, 402 Page Ave., North Mankato. Sponsored by the North Mankato Taylor Library. www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary or (507) 345-5120.

July 14-15 & 17 “West Side Story” theater performances. July 14-15 at 7 p.m., and July 17 at 2 p.m. Advanced tickets, adults \$10 and students \$8. At the door, adults \$9 and students \$7. Held at St. Mary’s School Auditorium, 104 St. Mary’s St. SW, Sleepy Eye. secommunitytheatre@gmail.com

July 14-17 Watonwan County Fair in St. James, learn more at www.watonwancountyfair.com.

July 14-17 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 for a complete schedule of events. Held at the Brown County Fairgrounds, 1212 N. Franklin St., New Ulm. (507) 233-4300.

***July 15** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music, featuring The Double Down Daredevils performing bluegrass and Americana music, 6-8 p.m., free. Food and beverages will be available. Held on the deck at the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or www.thegrandnewulm.com.

July 15 Festag Days parade in Minnesota Lake, including the Minnesota “Over-60” Band, 7 p.m. (507) 462-3277.

***July 15-Aug. 12** Andrew Hellmund’s Sculpture Exhibit of recycled metals. Held at 4 Pillars Gallery, The Grand Center for Arts and Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. Gallery hours: Tues.-Sat. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Viewing also available online in the virtual gallery. (507) 359-9222 or www.thegrandnewulm.com.

July 16-17 “Shrek The Musical Jr.” performances, 7 p.m. each day. Tickets: adults \$15, seniors \$10, youth free, Veterans/Active Duty \$7.50, available online at <https://fairmontoperahouse.org/tickets/>. Held at the Fairmont Opera House, 45 Downtown Plaza, (507) 238-4900 or www.fairmontoperahouse.com.

***July 18-24** Minnesota Original Music Festival, free concerts and educational workshops hosted by Minnesota artists at multiple locations in St. Peter, including the 72 Hour Band Challenge, singer/songwriter showcases, and music jams. Go to www.mnomf.org for a complete schedule of events.

***July 19** Henderson Music on Main Concert by Dirt Roads Band performing classic rock music, 5-8 p.m. Held in conjunction with the Classic Car Roll In. Held outdoors in the Evolution Shirts Parking Lot, 307 Main St., Henderson. Sponsored by the Henderson Lions Club, (507) 380-7789.

July 19 Summer Noontime Organ Recital by the Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, featuring Elisabeth Urtel from Bethan Lutheran College, 12:10 p.m., free. Recital held at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 105 N. 5th St., Mankato. (507) 934-1836 or www.agosioxtrails.org.

July 19 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. The event will feature free art presented by artist Patti Ruskey of Sidetracked and floral arranging presented by Sara Nett of Sweet Alice Floral. Held at the Living Earth Center, Big Red Barn, 170 Good Counsel Dr., Mankato. (507) 389-4272 or www.livingearthcentermn.org.

***July 20** Gaylord Music on Main Concert Series: The Whitesidewalls performing 50’s and 60’s music, 5-7 p.m. Held at the Gaylord City Park, intersection of Park Dr. and Lake Blvd. Sponsored by the Gaylord Area Chamber of Commerce. (507) 237-5535 or www.exploreGaylord.org/chamber-of-commerce.

***July 21** Music at the Broz Concert Series: Air Force Starlifter Band performing rock, pop, jazz, country, and patriotic music, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Bring lawn chairs or blankets to set out on the grass. Held on the grassy area west of the Hotel Broz, 212 W. Main St., New Prague. Sponsored by the New Prague Area Arts Council, (952) 758-1733 or <https://www.npaschools.org/community-education/arts-council>.

July 21 Music in the Park Series: Lost Walleye Orchestra performing 5:30-7:30 p.m. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Held at Wheeler Park, 402 Page Ave., North Mankato. Sponsored by the North Mankato Taylor Library. www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary or (507) 345-5120.

July 21-22 Minnesota author Sean Jensen will share the stories of professional athletes from his “Middle School Rules” series, focused for ages 7-12. **July 21:** 10 a.m. at the Elysian Public Library, 202 E. Main St.; 1 p.m. at the Janesville Public Library, 100 W. 2nd St.; 4 p.m. at the Waseca Public Library, 408 N. State St.; 6

p.m. at the New Richland Public Library, 129 Broadway Ave. S. **July 22:** 10 a.m. at the LuSueur Public Library, 118 Ferry St. and 1 p.m., at the LeCenter Public Library, 10 W. Tyron St. www.wasecalesueurlibraries.com or (507) 835-2910.

July 21-24 & 28-30 “Shrek The Musical” performances, July 21-23 & 28-30 at 7 p.m. and July 24 & 30 at 2 p.m. Tickets: adults \$18, seniors \$12, youth \$8, Veterans/Active Duty \$9, available online at <https://fairmontoperahouse.org/tickets/>. Held at the Fairmont Opera House, 45 Downtown Plaza, (507) 238-4900 or www.fairmontoperahouse.com.

***July 22** Hot Jazz for Decent People Series: Concert by Liz Draper et al, 7-8:30 p.m. Free, bring your own chair, refreshments and coolers are permitted but no glass bottles. The St. Peter Public Library will host a free book giveaway. Held at Minnesota Square Park, St. Peter. Sponsored by the Arts Center of Saint Peter. (507) 931-3630 or www.artscentersp.org.

***July 22** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music, featuring Miss Myra Duo performing swing and blues music, 6-8 p.m., free. Food and beverages will be available. Held on the deck at the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or www.thegrandnewulm.com.

July 23 Forever Elvis Tribute, 7 p.m. Advance tickets \$25, at the door \$30. Held at the State Street Theater, 1 N. State St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9990 or www.statestreetnewulm.org.

July 24 Kolacky Days parade in Montgomery, including the Minnesota “Over-60” Band, 12 Noon. (507) 953-0094.

***July 26** Henderson Music on Main Concert by Bob Kahle Band performing polka and old-time music, 5-8 p.m. Held in conjunction with the Classic Car Roll In. Held outdoors in the Evolution Shirts Parking Lot, 307 Main St., Henderson. Sponsored by the Henderson Lions Club, (507) 380-7789.

July 26 Summer Noontime Organ Recital by the Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, featuring Craig Hirschmann from Martin Luther College, 12:10 p.m., free. Recital held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 720 S. 2nd St., Mankato. (507) 934-1836 or www.agosiouxtrails.org.

***July 27** Gaylord Music on Main Concert Series: The Brueskes performing classic crooners music, 5-7 p.m. Held at the Gaylord City Park, intersection of Park Dr. and Lake Blvd. Sponsored by the Gaylord Area Chamber of Commerce. (507) 237-5535 or www.exploreGaylord.org/chamber-of-commerce.

July 27-30 Faribault County Fair in Blue Earth, learn more at www.faribaultcountyfair.com.

***July 28** Music in the Park series: Schell’s Hobo Band performing 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.

***July 28** Music at the Broz Concert Series: Timbre Junction performing bluegrass music, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Bring lawn chairs or blankets to set out on the grass. Held on the grassy area west of the Hotel Broz, 212 W. Main St., New Prague. Sponsored by the New Prague Area Arts Council, (952) 758-1733 or <https://www.npaschools.org/community-education/arts-council>.

July 28 Maud Hixson: The Songs of Maud Hart Lovelace, 1 p.m. Enjoy songs from the 1890s through WWI that are referred to in Maud Hart Lovelace’s beloved Betsy-Tacy series. Held at the Blue Earth County Library, 100 E. Main St., Mankato. (507) 304-4001 or www.beclibrary.org.

July 28 Music in the Park Series: Bee Balm Fields performing 5:30-7:30 p.m. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Held at Wheeler Park, 402 Page Ave., North Mankato. Sponsored by the North Mankato Taylor Library. www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary or (507) 345-5120.

July 28-31 Blue Earth County Fair in Garden City, including a concert by the Minnesota “Over-60” Band, July 28 at 5 p.m. Learn more at www.blueearthcountyfair.org.

***July 29** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music, featuring Musik Meisters performing old-time and German music, 6-8 p.m., free. Food and beverages will be available. Held on the deck at the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or www.thegrandnewulm.com.

***July 30** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music, featuring Phil Berbig performing popular and original music, 6-8 p.m., free. Food and beverages will be available. Held on the deck at the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or www.thegrandnewulm.com.

July 30 14th Annual Blues on Belgrade, a Blues and Jazz Festival held at the intersection of Range St. and Belgrade Ave. in North Mankato, 12 Noon-11 p.m., free. <https://businessonbelgrademn.com/events/blues-on-belgrade>

***ShopART Midwest**

ShopART Midwest is a non-commission online gallery that connects Midwest artists to buyers. This is a service by Twin Rivers Council for the Arts to support local culture makers and to make it easier to anyone to have access to handmade art. Search their ShopART gallery at: www.shopartmidwest.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 or (507) 931-0089.

Indian Island Winery, 18018 631st Ave., Janesville. www.indianislandwinery.com or (507) 234-6222.

Morgan Creek Vineyards, 23707 478th Ave., New Ulm. (507) 947-3547 or www.morgancreekvineyards.com.

Next Chapter Winery, 16945 320th St., New Prague. (612) 756-3012 or www.nextchapterwinery.com.

Youth Opportunities/Classes

July 1-25 Beyond the Beaten Path Teen Photo Contest. Tweens and teens ages 9-18 participate in the contest and submit photos that find a creative way to show nature and the outdoors. Contact Jeremy for more information, jfreeman@nmlibrary.org. Sponsored by the North Mankato Taylor Library, 1001 Belgrade Ave. www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary or (507) 345-5120.

July 5 Little Rembrandts 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. Registration required 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.

July 5 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. Registration required 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.

***July 5-Aug. 30** Music Therapy for Kids Class, Tuesdays, ages 3-5 at 1-2 p.m. and ages 5-9 at 2:15-3:15 p.m. \$15 per class, registration required. Held at the Mankato School of Music, 125 St. Andrews Ct., Suite 217. www.mankatosom.com or (507) 519-0860.

July 6 Cassatt Society Class, 4:30-6 p.m. Grades 7-12, \$10. Students will use elements of art and principles of design to complete a project to take home. Registration required at <https://waseca.ce.eleyo.com>. Meets first Wednesday of the month. Held at the Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. (507) 835-1701 or www.wasecaartcenter.org.

July 6 & 20 Creative Kids, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Grades K-1. Class to focus on fun as we explore art, crafts, and STEM projects. Registration is required. Held at the New Ulm Public Library Meeting Room, 17 N. Broadway. (507) 359-8334 or www.newulmmn.gov/363/Library.

July 7 & 21 Wacky Wonders, 2-3 p.m. Grades 2-5. Class to focus on fun as we explore art, crafts, and STEM projects. Registration is required. Held at the New Ulm Public Library Meeting Room, 17 N. Broadway. (507) 359-8334 or www.newulmmn.gov/363/Library.

***July 7-Aug. 5** sPARK Creativity Mobile Art Studio, a free art program for ages 5-12 in St. Peter. Thursdays: 9 a.m. at Gorman Park and 4 p.m. at Park Row Apartments. Fridays: 9 a.m. at Summit Park, 11 a.m. at Green Valley, 1 p.m. at Fairview Apartments, and 3 p.m. at Marway. Sponsored by St. Peter Community Education. (507) 934-3048 or www.stpetercommunityedonline.com.

***July 9** Open Art Studio, children of all ages, \$6, 9 a.m.-12 noon. Open studio invites children into the world of imagination through exploring, tinkering, making decisions, and enjoying the process of creating using selected materials in the studio to create their ideas at their own pace. Prompts are set up to stimulate creativity and staff is present to support ideas and facilitate projects. Children under age 6 must be accompanied by a responsible caregiver. Meets the 2nd Saturday of each month. Held at the Red Rock Center for the Arts, 222 E. Blue Earth Ave., Fairmont. (507) 235-9262 or www.redrockcenter.org.

July 12 & 26 Teen Tuesday, 2-3 p.m. Grades 6-12. Class to focus on fun as we explore art and crafts. Registration is required. Held at the New Ulm Public Library Meeting Room, 17 N. Broadway. (507) 359-8334 or www.newulmmn.gov/363/Library.

***July 16** Creative Kids Class. Creating a Honey Bee Hive Craft with instructor Rhonda Johnson. 10 a.m.-12 Noon. Grades Kindergarten+, \$35. Participants will be instructed in the process of creating this craft. Each individual will leave with their own unique creation. Registration required. Held at the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. www.thegrandnewulm.com or (507) 359-9222.

July 16 Art in the Garden. 2:30-4 p.m. Adults and children welcome. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Paint your own landscape masterpiece with the peaceful Community Gardens at the Living Earth Center as your backdrop. Art materials provided. Visit www.livingearthcentermn.org for pricing. Registration required. Held at the Living Earth Center, Big Red Barn, 170 Good Counsel Dr., Mankato. (507) 389-4272 or www.livingearthcentermn.org.

***July 18-21** Fiber Arts Day Camp. Having fun with fabrics and textiles. 9 a.m.-12 Noon each day. Grades 5-12, \$100. Registration required. There will be a public display of the students work on July 23. Held at the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. www.thegrandnewulm.com or (507) 359-9222.

***July 18-22** 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. \$20, register with Mankato Area Community Education. Held at Mankato East High School Auditorium, 2600 Hoffman Rd., Mankato. (507) 387-5501 or www.mankatocer.com.

July 21 Get Crafty with the Mankato Makerspace, 10:30 a.m.-12 noon, for all ages. After demonstrations from the Makerspace's experts, visit a variety of stations where you can explore sculpting with clay, mandala painting, leather crafting, and aerosol art. Held at Sibley Park, Shelter #3, 900 Mound Ave., Mankato. Sponsored by the Blue Earth County Library, (507) 304-4001 or www.beclibrary.org.

July 26-27 Watercolor Fruits & Vegetables Class, 5:30-7 p.m. each day. Age 13 to adults, \$40. Lean to paint with watercolors. Registration required. Held at the Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. (507) 835-1701 or www.wasecaartcenter.org.

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 6 & 20 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.

***July 5-Aug. 30** Music Therapy for Adults Class, Tuesdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m. \$15 per class, registration required. Held at the Mankato School of Music, 125 St. Andrews Ct., Suite 217. www.mankatosom.com or (507) 519-0860.

July 11 Memoir Writing Group, Bring your own writing or a topic to write about and be a part of a group to keep you inspired and sharing your stories, 10-11:30 a.m. Held at the New Ulm Public Library Meeting Room, 17 N. Broadway. (507) 359-8334 or www.newulmmn.gov/363/Library.

***July 11-Aug. 29** Adult String Group Class, Mondays, 7-8 p.m. For adult beginners who are eager to experience playing music with others. \$50, registration required. Held at the Mankato School of Music, 125 St. Andrews Ct., Suite 217. www.mankatosom.com or (507) 519-0860.

July 11 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.

July 14 Poetry Workshop with Minnesota Poet Laureate Gwen Westerman, 1-3 p.m. Aspiring poets of all experience levels can join Gwen in drafting new poems, sharing their work, and learning about the craft of poetry from one of its finest practitioners. Held at the Blue Earth County Library, 100 E. Main St., Mankato. (507) 304-4001 or www.beclibrary.org.

July 16 Art in the Garden. 2:30-4 p.m. Adults and children welcome. Paint your own landscape masterpiece with the peaceful Community Gardens at the Living Earth Center as your backdrop. Art materials provided. Visit www.livingearthcentermn.org for pricing. Registration required. Held at the Living Earth Center, Big Red Barn, 170 Good Counsel Dr., Mankato. (507) 389-4272 or www.livingearthcentermn.org.

July 21 Get Crafty with the Mankato Makerspace, 10:30 a.m.-12 noon, for all ages. After demonstrations from the Makerspace's experts, visit a variety of stations where you can explore sculpting with clay, mandala

painting, leather crafting, and aerosol art. Held at Sibley Park, Shelter #3, 900 Mound Ave., Mankato. Sponsored by the Blue Earth County Library, (507) 304-4001 or www.beclibrary.org.

July 26-27 Watercolor Fruits & Vegetables Class, 5:30-7 p.m. each day, \$40. Lean to paint with watercolors. Registration required. Held at the Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. (507) 835-1701 or www.wasecaartcenter.org.

***July 27** Open Knitting, 4th Wednesday each month, 1:30-3:30 p.m. Bring your projects, make progress, and make new connections with fellow knitters. Held at the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. (507) 931-3630 or www.artscentersp.org.

July 30 & 31 Creating a Barn Quilt Class, July 30 at 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and July 31 at 1-5 p.m. Participants will choose a quilt pattern and learn how to enlarge their chosen pattern on a primed piece of 2' x 2' board, using paint colors of their choice. \$75, materials included. Held at the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. www.thegrandnewulm.com or (507) 359-9222.

July Art Appreciation Group, meets every Wednesday, except holidays, 10 a.m.-12 Noon. 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. 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.

July Art for All Open Studio. The space has art supplies for the public to use. Wed., Thurs, and Fri. 2-7 p.m. and Sat. 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Held at Sidetracked, 420 Park Lane, Mankato. sidetrackedmankato@gmail.com

July Call for Proposals. The Waseca Art Center is seeking proposals for solo and group exhibitions for 2023. They have two gallery spaces which each host one exhibit per month. The exhibit fee is \$100. Submit an artist statement, 6-10 digital images of your work or video links. For more information contact Jess at info@wasecaartscouncil.org. Waseca Art Center, 200 N. State St. (507) 835-1701 or www.wasecaartcenter.org.

July-Aug. Call for Panelists. The Minnesota Humanities Center is seeking Minnesota-based grant reviewers who understand the depth and breadth of the lived experiences of the legislatively named cultural groups and individuals working to create, celebrate, and teach the art, culture, and heritage of diverse Minnesota communities. Compensation range of \$250-\$750 is based on participation. If interested, contact Laura at laura@mnhum.org or (651) 772-4244.

Adaptive Recreational Services offers a monthly "Painting with Rhonda Class" for teens and adults with disabilities, 6:15-7:30 p.m. Classes are free; however registration is required. There will be some canvases available for painting at home. For more information contact Adaptive Recreational Services Coordinator Karrie Borchert, (507) 217-0383, arsnu@newulmtel.net, or www.nuars.org.

***Mankato MakersSpace** 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 3rd Ave. (507) 514-2921 or www.mankatomakerspace.org.

***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.

Grant Opportunities

July 15 Minnesota State Arts Board Creative Support for Individuals Deadline. This program is meant to provide support to help Minnesota artists and culture bearers sustain their creative practices and meaningfully engage with their communities in a time of transition. This grant program is designed to be flexible and allow for adaptability in response to unexpected changes during the grant period. Grant range: \$2,000-\$10,000. Application deadline: July 15 at 4:30 p.m. For more information contact (800) 866-2787 or 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.

Sept. 9 Minnesota State Arts Board Creative Support for Organizations Deadline. This program provides support to help organizations deliver arts programming and meaningfully engage their communities in a time of transition. Grant range: \$5,000-\$30,000. Application deadline: Sept. 9 at 4:30 p.m. For more information contact (800) 866-2787 or 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.

Artist Resources

Springboard for the Arts Work of Art: Business Skills for Artists is a professional development curriculum designed to teach business skills to artists in all disciplines: visual, performing and literary arts. Artists can take the whole series, customized combinations, or individual workshops that best suit their needs, and the curriculum is available for people interested in leading the workshops and offering professional development resources.

Springboard offers The Work of Art Toolkit; available for Free as a digital download.

Read a brief description of all Work of Art: Business Skills for Artists topics and find upcoming Work of Art workshops, panels, classes or events on their website <https://springboardforthearts.org/professional-growth/work-of-art-program/>

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 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. Register for all classes at www.stpetercommunityedonline.com or 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 or www.artscentersp.org.

Carnegie Art Center, 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, (507) 625-2730, or www.thecarnegiemankato.com.

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

Mankato Makerspace, 1700 3rd 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.

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, (507) 235-9262, or info@redrockcenter.org.

The 410 Project, 523 S. Front St., Mankato. Monthly exhibits. Gallery hours: Wed.-Sat. 2-6 p.m. the410project@hotmail.com or 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. 10a.m.-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, (507) 359-9222, or 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 or 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.

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.

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/.

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.

Student Union Gallery, lower level of the Centennial Student Union, MN State University, Mankato. 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.

Community Theaters

Curtain Call Theatre, (507) 744-8497, www.curtaincalltheatre.net. Performances are held in different LeSueur County locations.

Mankato Playhouse, 12 Civic Center Plaza Ste 1700, Mankato. (507) 317-1245 or (507) 338-5800. www.mankatoplayhouse.com.

Merely Players Community Theatre, (507) 388-5483, info@merelyplayersmn.org, www.merelyplayers.com. Performances at Lincoln Community Center, 110 Fulton St., Mankato.

Springfield Community Theatre, (507) 723-6315, go to “Springfield Community Theatre, Springfield, MN” on Facebook. Performances are held at the Springfield High School, 12 Burns Ave.

State Street Theater Company, (507) 359-9990, info@statestreetnewulm.org, www.statestreetnewulm.org. Performances at their building, 1 N. State St., New Ulm.