

## Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council

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## May 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.

**\*May 1** “Spring! Sing!” Concert by the Mankato Children’s Chorus, 2 p.m. Free admission, donations welcome. Held at Christ Chapel, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter. (507) 774-0597 or <https://sites.google.com/view/mankatochildrenschorus/home>.

**May 1** Czech May Day, 12 Noon-5 p.m. Including the St. Paul Czech and Slovak Folk Dancers, Sokol Minnesota Tanecni Mladez youth dancers and Tanecni Teens, and ribbon dances around the May pole. Held at Heritage Park, corner of Vine and 1<sup>st</sup> St., Montgomery. (612) 756-1054.

**May 1-2** Jazz Ensemble Spring Concert, 5 p.m. each day. Held outdoors on the green central part of campus, Bethany Lutheran College, 700 Luther Drive, Mankato. (507) 344-7000 or [www.blc.edu](http://www.blc.edu).

**May 1-6** Undergraduate Research: Creative Works Exhibition. Held at Centennial Student Union Gallery, 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. (507) 389-6767 or [www.mnsu.edu/artdept/](http://www.mnsu.edu/artdept/).

**May 1-7** Spring Campus Art Show. (Reception, May 5, 7 p.m.) Held at the Ylvisaker Fine Arts Center Gallery, Bethany Lutheran College, 700 Luther Drive, Mankato. Gallery hours: Sun.-Thurs. 1-9 p.m. and Fri. & Sat. 1-8 p.m. (507) 344-7000 or [www.blc.edu](http://www.blc.edu).

**\*May 1-15** Mankato Playhouse presents dinner theatre performances of “Grease”. May 6-7 & 13-14, Friday and Saturday dinner seating at 6 p.m., show at 7:30 p.m. May 1, 8 & 15, Sunday lunch seating at 12:30 p.m., show at 2 p.m. Tickets \$42-\$58, depending on meal choice, tickets available at [www.mankatoplayhouse.com](http://www.mankatoplayhouse.com). Show Only tickets \$20 can be purchased online and if available, can be purchased at the door 30 min. before each show. Recommended for ages 13 and older. Held at the Mankato Event Center, 12 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 1700. (507) 508-6539 or [www.mankatoplayhouse.com](http://www.mankatoplayhouse.com).

**\*May 1-15** “Once” theater performances. May 5-7 & 12-14 at 7:30 p.m.; May 1, 8 & 15 at 2 p.m. General admission tickets \$15, \$20 or \$25. There are a specific number of tickets at each price point; \$15 are sold first, then \$20, then \$25, shop early for best price. Held at DalekoArts, 110 E. Main St., New Prague. (952) 314-9077 or [www.dalekoarts.com](http://www.dalekoarts.com).

**May 1-June 3** Cellar Press Exhibit of printmaking products and equipment, celebrating the 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of the Grand’s Cellar Press. 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).

**May 2** Honor Choir Concert, 7 p.m., held at Christ Chapel, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter. (507) 933-7013 or [www.gac.edu](http://www.gac.edu).

**May 2-6** Spring Senior Exhibition #3. Held at Conkling Gallery, Dept. of Art, MN State University, Mankato. Gallery hours: Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. (507) 389-6412 or [www.mnsu.edu/artdept/](http://www.mnsu.edu/artdept/).

**May 2-11** “Insides & Outsides: Mmmmmmmmm” Junior Studio Arts Major Exhibition. Held at the Schaefer Gallery, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter. Free and open to the public. Gallery hours: Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.–4 p.m., Sat. 2-5 p.m. (507) 933-7200 or <https://gustavus.edu/art/schaefer.php>.

**May 4-7** Vincent Kenobbie’s “Conversations Between the Veil” Paintings and Drawings Exhibition. 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).

**\*May 4-June 1** Youth Member Exhibit in the Beckmann Gallery and Yvonne Cory’s “Joys and Tears in the Apron Strings” Fiber Exhibit of aprons in the Great Hall Gallery. (Reception for Yvonne Cory, June 1, 1-2:30 p.m. Yvonne will also present the program “Vintage Apron Art Woven in Today’s Textile Arts” beginning at 2:30 p.m.) 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.wasecartcenter.org](http://www.wasecartcenter.org) or (507) 835-1701.

**\*May 5** Fairmont Concert Association sponsors Branden and James, a tenor and cello with piano, 7 p.m. Concert Series tickets will be sold at the door. Adults \$50, students \$10, or family \$100. Held at Fairmont High School Performing Arts Center, 900 Johnson St. “Fairmont Concert Association” on Facebook.

**May 5-7** “Gloria” theater performance. May 5-6 at 8 p.m. and May 7 at 3:30 p.m. Held at Rob and Judy Gardner Laboratory Theatre, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter. (507) 933-7013 or [www.gac.edu](http://www.gac.edu).

**May 5-14** Tri-City United Schools Student Art Exhibit for grades 9-12. 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).

**May 5-19** St. Paul’s Lutheran School Student Art 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).

**\*May 6** Opening Reception for the Artist of the Month, 6 p.m. Each month students from area schools are invited to share their work with the community. Local school teachers work with students to prepare and opening receptions are held the first Friday of the month. Held at 4 Pillars Gallery, The Grand Center for Arts and Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**\*May 6** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music, featuring The Galactic Cowboy Orchestra performing jazz music, 7-9:30 p.m., free. Food and beverages will be available. Held at the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**May 6** Gustavus Symphony Orchestra Spring Concert, 7:30 p.m., held at Christ Chapel, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter. (507) 933-7013 or [www.gac.edu](http://www.gac.edu).

**May 6-8** “Annie” musical theater performance by the students of Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School. May 6-7 at 7 p.m. and May 8 at 2 p.m. Tickets \$6, available at the door. Held at the State Street Theater, 1 N. State St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9990 or [www.statestreetnewulm.org](http://www.statestreetnewulm.org).

**\*May 6-June 3** “Spring Into Art” Youth Art Exhibit by students Pre-K through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. (Reception, May 6, 5 p.m.) 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](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**\*May 6-June 25** Lisa Bierer's 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).

**May 7** Performance of musical soliloquies by Her Crooked Heart, 7 p.m. Adults \$25, seniors \$20, students \$10; available at [www.fairmontoperahouse.com](http://www.fairmontoperahouse.com) or 1 hour prior to the show. Held at the Fairmont Opera House, 45 Downtown Plaza, (507) 238-4900 or [www.fairmontoperahouse.com](http://www.fairmontoperahouse.com).

**May 7** Choral Showcase Concert, 7:30 p.m., held at Christ Chapel, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter. (507) 933-7013 or [www.gac.edu](http://www.gac.edu).

**May 7-21** Senior Studio Art Majors Exhibit. (Reception, May 7, 4-6 p.m.) Held at the Hillstrom Museum of Art, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter. Free & open to the public. Gallery hours: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays and 1-5 p.m. weekends. (507) 933-7200 or [www.gustavus.edu/finearts/hillstrom](http://www.gustavus.edu/finearts/hillstrom).

**May 8** The Mankato Symphony Orchestra's "Mozart & Schumann" Music On The Hill, Chamber Music Concert, 3 p.m. Premium seating \$25, standard seating \$20, students ages 13-17 \$10, 12 and under \$1. Held at Trinity Chapel, Bethany Lutheran College, 700 Luther Dr., Mankato. (507) 625-8880 or [www.mankatosymphony.com](http://www.mankatosymphony.com).

**May 8** Spring Jazz Showcase Concerts. Gustavus Jazz, Adolphus Jazz and Vocal Jazz at 1:30 p.m., and Jazz Combos and Vocal Jazz Soloists at 4:30 p.m. Held at Christ Chapel, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter. (507) 933-7013 or [www.gac.edu](http://www.gac.edu).

**May 10** 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](http://www.newulmmn.gov/363/Library).

**May 12** New Ulm Concert Association presents a concert by Broadway stars Josh Young and Emily Padgett, 7:30 p.m. Call (507) 766-1900 or (507) 766-0725 for ticket information. Held at the State Street Theater, 1 N. State St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9990 or [www.statestreetnewulm.org](http://www.statestreetnewulm.org).

**\*May 13** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music, featuring The Old Guy & The Kid performing favorite rock, country, blues, and Americana music, 7-9:30 p.m., free. Food and beverages will be available. Held at the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**\*May 13-15 & 20-22** Merely Players Community Theatre presents "Matilda The Musical", May 13-14 & 20-21 at 7 p.m. and May 14-15 & 21-22 at 2:30 p.m. Adults \$16, seniors \$14, and youth 12 and under \$11. Held at the Lincoln Community Center, 110 Fulton St., Mankato. (507) 388-5483 or [www.merelyplayers.com](http://www.merelyplayers.com).

**May 13-28** James Taylor's Photography Exhibition. (Reception, May 13, 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).

**\*May 14** Concert by folk and pop singer/songwriter Michael Shynes and guest violinist David Sutton, 7 p.m. Adults \$15, students \$8, tickets available online. 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).

**\*May 14** Concert by the Southern Minnesota Real Big Band, with featured jazz trumpet artist Robert Baca and the EZ Jazz Trio, 7 p.m. Adults \$10, students \$5. Advance tickets available at <https://buytickets.at/southernminnesotarealbigband/664768> or at Music Mart, 1014 N. Riverfront Dr., Mankato.

Tickets will be available at the door; however seating is limited. Held at the Ylvisaker Fine Arts Theater, Bethany Lutheran College, 700 Luther Dr., Mankato. (507) 386-7003.

**\*May 14-15** Mankato Ballet's spring recital, "Beauty", showcasing all levels of dancers telling the story of Beauty and the Beast, 12 Noon & 5 p.m. both days. Adults \$15, children 12 and under \$12, children 2 and under free but must sit on a lap. Held at St. Peter High School Performing Arts Center, 2121 W. Broadway Ave. (507) 625-7716 or [www.mankatoballet.org](http://www.mankatoballet.org).

**May 19** Gustavus Choir Home Concert, 7:30 p.m., held at Christ Chapel, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter. (507) 933-7013 or [www.gac.edu](http://www.gac.edu).

**May 19-22** Fairmont Area Community Theater presents "A Midsummer Night's Dream", May 19-21 at 7 p.m. and May 22 at 2 p.m. Adults \$10, seniors \$8, students \$5; available at [www.fairmontoperahouse.com](http://www.fairmontoperahouse.com) or 1 hour prior to the show. Held at the Fairmont Opera House, 45 Downtown Plaza, (507) 238-4900 or [www.fairmontoperahouse.com](http://www.fairmontoperahouse.com).

**May 19-June 25** Quilts by Sue Westegaard Exhibit. 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).

**\*May 20** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music, featuring Phil Berbig performing music like Johnny Cash, Jim Croce, John Denver, Beatles, and Rolling Stones, 7-9:30 p.m., free. Food and beverages will be available. Held at the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**\*May 20** "Court Entertainments" Concert by the La Grande Bande performing Baroque music with period instruments, 7:30 p.m. \$5, available at [www.lagrandebande.org/tickets](http://www.lagrandebande.org/tickets). Come early, at 6:30 p.m., with your ticket and enjoy a pre-concert talk with Michael Asmus as he discusses the musical selections for the concert. Held at Swiss and Madison (formerly Charlie's), 920 Madison Ave., Mankato. [www.lagrandebande.org](http://www.lagrandebande.org) or (507) 995-7086.

**May 20** Gustavus Wind Orchestra Finale Concert, 7 p.m., held at Christ Chapel, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter. (507) 933-7013 or [www.gac.edu](http://www.gac.edu).

**\*May 21** Singing Hills Chorus presents their "Songs in Bloom" Concert, 1:30 p.m. Admission \$10, children five and under are free. To hold tickets at will call email [katoactionalz@yahoo.com](mailto:katoactionalz@yahoo.com). Visit [www.singinghillschorus.org](http://www.singinghillschorus.org) to find out if tickets will be available at the door. Held at Chapel of Our Lady of Good Counsel, 170 Good Counsel Dr., Mankato. [www.singinghillschorus.org](http://www.singinghillschorus.org).

**\*May 21-April 2023** The 2022 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.

**May 22** Maker Market, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Shop for truly unique items created by local artists. Held at the Mankato Makerspace, 1700 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. (507) 514-2921 or [www.mankatomakerspace.org](http://www.mankatomakerspace.org).

**\*May 21-22** Dance Conservatory of Southern Minnesota's student dance recital "Red, White, & Boogie". May 21 at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. and May 22 at 2 p.m., \$10. Held at Mankato East High School, 2600 Hoffman Road. (507) 625-2005 or [www.dcsmdance.com/performances](http://www.dcsmdance.com/performances).

**May 22-24** Cesta Play Festival. DalekoArts commissioned three local playwrights to write three full-length plays based on patron ideas from the monthly YouTube show, The Script. There will be one staged reading each

night at 7 p.m. May 22 “The Amazon Guy Cometh”, May 23 “The Piano”, and May 24 “Fostering Resentment”. Festival pass for all three readings \$25, individual reading tickets \$10. Held at DalekoArts, 110 E. Main St., New Prague. (952) 314-9077 or [www.dalekoarts.com](http://www.dalekoarts.com).

**May 24** Bethany Choir Homecoming Concert, 7 p.m. Held at Trinity Chapel, Bethany Lutheran College, 700 Luther Drive, Mankato. (507) 344-7000 or [www.blc.edu](http://www.blc.edu).

**May 25-28** “Barefoot in the Park” theater production, 7:30 p.m. each night. Adults \$17, seniors over 65 and youth under sixteen \$15. Held at the Ted Paul Theatre, MN State University, Mankato. (507) 389-6661 or [www.mnsu.edu/theatre/](http://www.mnsu.edu/theatre/).

**\*May 26** “Elder’s Celebration” Spring Program of plays and songs by K-6 students of Green Isle Community School honoring a local Elder by telling their story, 7 p.m. Plays by Bridget Stewart with music and lyrics by Kay Wilson. Held at the Green Isle Community School, 190 McGrann St., Green Isle. (507) 326-7144.

**\*May 26** Meet the local artists and the sponsors of the “Going Hog Wild in Martin County” project, 5-7 p.m. See the 36 painted hogs unveiled before they are distributed throughout the county after Memorial Day weekend. Held on W. 1<sup>st</sup> St., downtown Fairmont. (703) 307-7856.

**May 26** Folk Music Concert by Hungrytown, 7 p.m. 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).

**\*May 27** The 7<sup>th</sup> Gen Kids Art Show, 4-6 p.m. Show support by buying art or donating quarters to their craft at the event. Held at Safe Relations Space, 1109 N. Riverfront Dr., Mankato. “Safe Relations” on Facebook.

### **\*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](http://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](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**

**May 1-2** Musical theater auditions for Mankato Playhouse’s performances of “Disney Descendants, The Musical”, for students in grades 6-12, 5 p.m. each night. Please bring sheet music for a song you have already learned. A pianist will be provided to accompany you. Go to <https://mankatoplayhouse.com> for additional audition information. Performances will be June 24-26. Held at the Mankato Playhouse, 12 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 1700. (507) 508-6539 or [www.mankatoplayhouse.com](http://www.mankatoplayhouse.com).

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

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

**May 11** Craft Club, 4:30-6 p.m. Grades K-6, \$30, WAC Members \$15. Come have a fun time creating an assortment of crafts. Registration required 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).

**May 11** The Crafters Guild, 4:30-6 p.m. Grades 7 and up, \$30, WAC Members \$15. Come have a fun time creating an assortment of crafts. Registration required 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).

**\*May 14** 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](http://www.redrockcenter.org).

**\*May 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 techniques while also being given the freedom to make the artwork their own. 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.

#### 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**

**\* May 2-23** Open Pottery Studio, 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).

**May 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).

**May 4-25** Art Group, self-directed time for artists of all levels and abilities to join this adults-only group. Each artist should bring his/her own materials and ideas. All materials must be non-odorous. 2-5:30 p.m., meets every Wednesday. 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).

**May 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).

**May 10** Guest Nights with the Mankato Riverblenders Barbershop Chorus. Come May 10, June 7, July 5, or

Aug. 2, 6:45-8 p.m., to see first-hand what the chorus is all about. There is no charge, and no prior experience is required. Held at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 222 Pfau St., Mankato. [baileybleth1@gmail.com](mailto:baileybleth1@gmail.com).

**May 14** Southern Minnesota Poet's Society Monthly Meeting, 1-3 p.m. Free, visitors welcome. Held at Emy Frenz Arts Guild, 523 S. Second St., Mankato. Sponsored by Southern Minnesota Poets Society. (507) 345-1174 or [www.southernmnpoets.org](http://www.southernmnpoets.org).

**May 14-15** Creating a Barn Quilt Class, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on May 14 and 1-5 p.m. on May 15. 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](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com) or (507) 359-9222.

**\*May 25** Open Knitting. 4<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.artscentersp.org).

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

**May** 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](mailto:sidetrackedmankato@gmail.com)

**May** Open Call for Grant Application Reviewers. The Minnesota State Arts Board seeks volunteers to review grant applications remotely, serving a four-week term during July 2022-February 2023. Minnesota residents will commit 30 hours and participate in a full day panel meeting. Participants will receive a financial stipend for their time. For more information contact Jenea at (651) 539-2657 or [Jenea.Rewertz-Targui@arts.state.mn.us](mailto:Jenea.Rewertz-Targui@arts.state.mn.us). <http://www.arts.state.mn.us/reviewer/reviewer.htm>.

**May-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](mailto: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](mailto:arsnu@newulmtel.net), or [www.nuars.org](http://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 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. (507) 514-2921 or [www.mankatomakerspace.org](http://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](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com/smallest-museum-in-mn).

## Grant Opportunities

**May 4 Jerome Hill Artist Fellowship Deadline.** This program is meant to support artists who embrace their roles as part of a larger community of artists and citizens, and consciously work with a sense of service, whether aesthetic, social or both. Support is directed to artists who are at an early point in their careers in creating such work, generally in their 2nd–10th year as a generative artist. It is for Minnesota and New York City-based artists who generate new work that takes creative risks in expanding, questioning, experimenting with or re-imagining conventional artistic forms. The fellowship is for \$50,000 over two years, (\$25,000 each year). Go to <https://www.jeromefdn.org/jerome-hill-artist-fellowship> for more information.

**May 6 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: May 6 at 4:30 p.m., a 2nd deadline will be July 15. 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).

**May 20 McKnight Ceramic Artist Fellowship Deadline.** The McKnight Ceramic Artist Fellowships are administered by the Northern Clay Center in partnership with the McKnight Foundation. It is intended to recognize and support midcareer ceramic artists living and working in Minnesota, who demonstrate a sustained level of accomplishment, commitment, and artistic excellence. Two \$25,000 Fellowships will be awarded. For more information go to <https://northernclaycenter.org/artist-services/grants-for-artists/mcknight-fellowships/> or contact [nccinfo@northernclaycenter.org](mailto:nccinfo@northernclaycenter.org) or (612) 339-8007.

**May 27 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: May 27 at 4:30 p.m., a 2<sup>nd</sup> deadline will be Sept. 9. 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).

**May 31 Minnesota Humanities Center Cultural Heritage Grants Deadline.** This program is for individuals and nonprofit organizations in Minnesota with projects that create, celebrate, and teach the art, culture, and heritage of diverse Minnesota communities, including Asian and Pacific Island communities, Somali diaspora and other African immigrant communities, Indigenous communities with a focus on the 11 Tribes in Minnesota, African American community, Latinx community and other underrepresented cultural groups including communities of Black, Indigenous, and people of color. Grant maximum is \$75,000. For more information contact (651) 772-4244 or [laura@mnhum.org](mailto:laura@mnhum.org). For a link to the online application go to the Minnesota Humanities Center website: <https://www.mnhum.org/funding-grant-opportunities/community-heritage-and-identity-grant/>.

## 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](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**, 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.thecarnegiemandato.com](http://www.thecarnegiemandato.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. 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](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 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](http://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](http://www.mankatoplayhouse.com).

**Merely Players Community Theatre**, (507) 388-5483, [info@merelyplayersmn.org](mailto:info@merelyplayersmn.org), [www.merelyplayers.com](http://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](mailto:info@statestreetnewulm.org), [www.statestreetnewulm.org](http://www.statestreetnewulm.org). Performances at their building, 1 N. State St., New Ulm.