



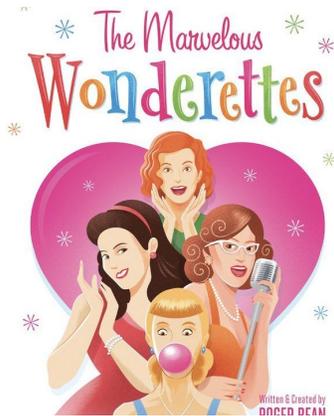
**FIVE WINGS**  
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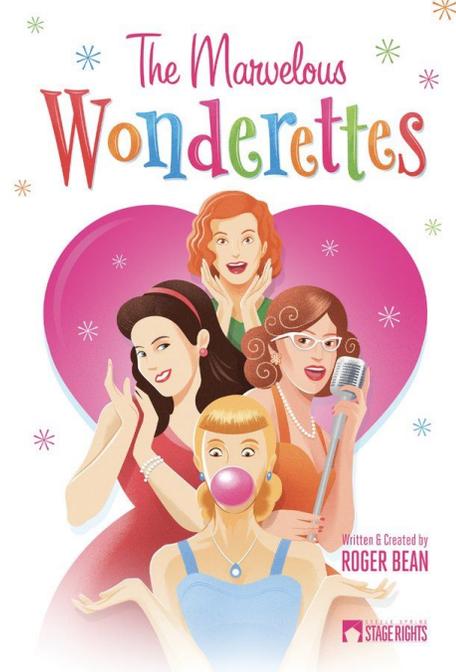
**The Marvelous Wonderettes**

**Monday, August 3rd - Thursday,  
August 6th**

**Performance: 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

Fresh on the heels of their last performance 'She Boom! Life Could be a Dream' the talented team at Central Lakes Community Performing Arts Center presents their next outdoor performance: *The Marvelous Wonderettes*.

'*The Marvelous Wonderettes*' is a cute, campy show about 4 glee club girls who first meet at their senior prom and then 10 years later at their high school reunion. The girls get the honor of performing for their student body as the prom entertainment after the boys' glee club leader gets caught smoking. The show features some of the most well-known "girl group" songs of the 50's-60's and a story-line that is both funny & charming. Both shows are geared for family audiences.



### **Things to Know Before You Go to the Show:**

**How much are tickets?** \$10 for adults, \$5 for those under 18.

**How do I buy tickets?** Tickets will be sold ONLY on day of performance, and ONLY on site. No phone or online sales. General admission, first-come, first served. Cash or check only, no credit cards. Box office opens one hour prior to the show (5:30 p.m., with a 6:30 curtain time).

**Where do I go?** Park in the south lot of Central Lakes College. Exit off College Drive onto Mississippi Parkway (look for signs at each of the roundabouts on College Drive).

Are there seats? We ask that you bring your own lawn chair. There will be limited space for on-the-ground seating. Oh, and bring your own bug spray.

**What safety precautions are being taken?** Seating areas will be marked that maintain proper social distancing. We encourage you to wear a face covering. Performers are distanced 15 feet from the first row of seating. Our ushers and box office staff will be masked and gloved. Hand sanitizer is available to all.

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## **Poetry for Hope and Reassurance**

### ***Poet, Lina Belar, Receives Grant to Share Poems of Hope and Reassurance***

*As the impact of COVID 19 was becoming evident in the Spring of 2020, Lina Belar had an idea that poetry could be used to bring hope and reassurance in this time of uncertainty and challenge.*



Belar proposed her idea to the Community Emergency Relief Fund (CERF), a partnership between Emergency Arts and Springboard for the Arts, and was awarded a grant to carry out a project to bring poetry to the public this summer and beyond. CERF exists to support creative

leadership to address urgent community needs (<http://www.springboardforthearts.org/cerf> and Emergency Arts at <https://emergencyarts.net/>).

*"Poetry is often used as a tool of challenge, to point out a need for improvement. The poetry that is needed for this emergency is one that shows what is right and what can be nurtured if we have the words," says project leader Lina Belar. "Our communities will survive if we band together in spirit even as we stay apart in space. Poetry can be a way to bind us together."*

### **July Poetry Walk Features Poems by Lina Belar**

This multi-phase project starts with an exhibit of Lina's own poems of hope and reassurance as a Poetry Walk at Green Island in Wadena, MN. Lina Belar's poetry says much about the world, this rural land that she loves, but it also says something about her. Her poetry blends her fierce affection for nature and all its creatures, including the human ones, with a foolish love of language. Her first chapbook, *Rural Score*, was published in 2016.

### **Poets Invited to Submit Poems of Hope and Reassurance**

The next phase of the project calls out to Minnesota poets to submit their original poems of Hope and Reassurance to help sustain people through the current pandemic. Submitted poems can be on any topic. Poems could be for your neighbor or the business down the street, they could be for anyone, anywhere, who is being affected by Coronavirus and the COVID-19 pandemic. Poets should send submissions through the Submit a Poem page at [www.LinaBelar.com](http://www.LinaBelar.com)

### **MN Poets Share Poems of Hope & Reassurance at Green Island**

In August, several of these poems will be showcased along a ¼ mile long trail at Green Island, adequately socially distanced and allowing the reader to be outdoors in a safe environment. As of this writing, poems from such noted poets as Laura Hansen, Thomas R. Smith, and Mark Vinz will be featured, among others. Green Island is tucked away in Wadena's north commercial district at 850 Scheer Dr NE, Wadena, MN 56482. The public is invited to stroll trails through a new pine forest, check out experimental plantings, and enjoy quiet time in nature.

Poems will also be distributed to the public through printed cards, social media, and public signage.

If you have questions about Lina's Poetry for Hope and Reassurance Project, contact her at [lbelar@eot.com](mailto:lbelar@eot.com).



## Why is There Cardboard Covering the Windows at Great River Arts?

On Display in the Front Gallery until August 31st.

### Far Away / So Close: Old Friends and New Abstract Discussions Stuck in the Time of COVID and Change by

In an unprecedented time of COVID-19, where self-isolation is encouraged, and connection is complex, the task to find new ways to feel our relationships as strong becomes the focus of my work.



During the 8 week exhibition at Great River Arts, in Little Falls Minnesota, the artist will have open form conversations with friends, old and new, over technology (Zoom or FaceTime), that will inform a painting on large repurposed cardboard sheets. Using acrylic paint in a non-representational manner (abstract), the conversation will be captured in line, color, shape, and energy. A written piece will accompany the work to give context to the interaction, not necessarily identifying the person, but potentially personifying the painting with a person in mind.

Each painting will be revealed in the gallery over the exhibition period, so that passersby can experience the work as they unfold. A time lapse video will be shared on the GRA website and social media feeds, as well as the accompanying materials.

The title, inspired by a foreign film and song from the artists' personal mix-tape, encapsulates the experience of this pandemic period, civic unrest, and inevitable change in our communities. While she is focusing on Little Falls, as part of this exhibit, she is interested in how our relationships are changing as we interact differently. Are we more in tune, or disconnected? Are we less likely to interact freely? Are we more intentional?

Follow artist Heidi Jeub as she uses GRA's Front Gallery walls as an extension of her creative canvas. This month, Jeub will engage in nine community conversations - transforming 4' x 5' sheets of cardboard into reflective abstract pieces of art.

Relationships aren't built overnight and neither is this exhibit. Stay connected as this installation evolves over the next two months. Follow us on FaceBook (@GreatRiverArts56345) for updates on how you can meet the artist and connect to her work in the larger Main Gallery. **In-Person visits to the exhibit can happen easily by contacting GRA.**

[Click HERE to watch Heidi's interview about her work.](#)

[Click HERE to watch Heidi's Artist Talk and Tour of her exhibit](#)

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## Happy 45 Years Great River Arts!

In 1975, a small dedicated group of volunteers created what is known today as the largest multidisciplinary arts organization serving in Morrison County. April 2020 represented 45 years since the inception of Great River Arts (GRA). Who knew it

would be in the midst of a drastically changing world! To stay active in your community, GRA recognizes that they also need to adapt.

Today, Great River Arts asks that you share your thoughts on how their programs and services can continue to make an impact as an artist, as a networker, creator, supporter and safe space maker for the arts. GRA knows that you have an entire list of tasks and priorities waiting to be tackled, but they would still like you to take less than five minutes before **August 7th** and help GRA navigate a bold and vibrant new era. [Click HERE to take the survey.](#)

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# ART TO WEAR

## TEXTILES & BEYOND

### **The Crossing Arts Alliance Presents: Call for Art | Art to Wear Textiles and Beyond**

**Deadline for submission:** August 5, 2020

**Exhibition Dates:** September 4 - September 25, 2020

Art to Wear seeks to discover and showcase wearable art that will dazzle and capture the imagination of viewers for this runway show. The Crossing Arts Alliance is looking for work that is intended to be accepted as a serious and unique artistic creation or statement. This show prioritizes creativity, and imagination over practicality. Exploration of technique and innovative use of textiles and or other media that capture the imagination is encouraged. All entries must be wearable for the virtual runway show.

Visit their website for more information, exhibition rules, and to submit your artwork!  
<https://www.crossingarts.org/calls-for-art>

### **TCAA is also seeking Art for their Annual Salute to the Arts**

**Deadline for submission:** August 5, 2020

**Exhibition Dates:** September 8 - September



25, 2020

Salute To The Arts is a well-received and energizing annual juried exhibit held at The Crossing Arts Gallery that highlights exceptional, fresh, new work from area artists. They are looking for your best work yet from the past year! All mediums will be considered, including, but not limited to painting, photography, drawing, printmaking, mixed media, fiber, and sculpture.



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## **Educational Opportunities from Lakes Area Music Festival**

# **LAKES AREA MUSIC FESTIVAL**

In advance of the 2020 Digital Summer Festival (July 31-August 16), the Lakes Area Music Festival has a broad range of educational opportunities for classical music lovers of every experience level. Throughout the month of July, LAMF is hosting a new LAMF cast series via Zoom. Each Saturday at 10 a.m. this series will feature conductor, Christian Reif and LAMF artistic director, John Taylor Ward offering an introductory-level Symphony 101 discussion; Tuesdays at 10 a.m. will be a more advanced offering of music knowledge with Yale University lecturer, Allison Chu. Free; registration required at: [lakesareamusic.org/programs/lamfcast](https://lakesareamusic.org/programs/lamfcast).

*\*\*The Five Wings Art Council is simulcasting these performances on our Facebook page.*

## **Explore Music at Home! August 3-7, 2020**

One of LAMF's seasonal highlights, Explore Music! goes digital this season with a cutting edge package of music education by Alexander Peña. This activity packed week of fun - August 2 through 7 - will include scavenger hunts, simple at-home musical projects, coloring pages, digital activities, and exclusive performances from LAMF musicians. Participation is free for all families, with donations accepted. Sign up at [lakesareamusic.org/programs/explore-music](https://lakesareamusic.org/programs/explore-music).

More information about these, and other, programs can be found at [lakesareamusic.org](https://lakesareamusic.org) or calling (218) ASK-LAMF.

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## **FWAC Seeks Representative from Todd, Cass & Crow Wing Counties**

Are you interested in helping people have access to arts experiences in our region? That's exactly what members of the Five Wings Arts Council board of directors do as representatives of their home county and you might be a perfect fit for this responsibility.



Five Wings Arts Council is currently seeking representatives from Todd, Cass and Crow Wing Counties to serve a three-year term on its board of directors. Council members are charged with setting policy, as well as approving funding programs and services designed to improve the lives of the people in Region Five through arts and culture projects. They also review and make funding award decisions about grant applications submitted to the council. The volunteer board of directors meets 10 times per year, and is compensated for mileage to board meetings.

Council member candidates should have experience participating in, advocating for, and supporting the arts. Anyone interested serving in this capacity should submit a letter of interest stating their expertise, and resume to: Five Wings Arts Council, PO Box 118, Staples, MN 56479 or email [mark.fwac@arvig.net](mailto:mark.fwac@arvig.net). Questions? Call 877-654-2166.

For more information about serving on the FWAC board of directors click [here](#).

## Resources for Staying Connected to the Arts At Home

### How to Experience Arts & Culture During COVID-19:

Did you know you can visit museums from all over the world from home?

You can become a virtual globetrotter and see exhibits, arts, and learning materials from over 1,200 thousand museums around the world with Google Arts & Culture. Take an [Art Selfie](#) using your phone and transform yourself into the Mona Lisa, or visit the [Museum of Modern Art](#) from home!

**Google Arts & Culture Offers SO Many Ways to Experience the Arts From Home:** Mazes, Coloring, and MorePlay with art from the Metropolitan Museum of Art and Rijksmuseum- [Download the arts and culture activity book for free.](#)

**Don't forget about our great Minnesota arts resources:**

**Minneapolis Institute of Art: Explore the Art:** <https://new.artsmia.org/art-artists/explore/>

**Guthrie Theater: Behind the Scenes:** <https://www.guthrietheater.org/about-us/artists-at-work/>



**GRA is adding to the list of free virtual resources.**

Take 5 minutes to engage in "The Artful Mind" activity. This offering combines the benefits of mediation and thoughtful reflection of art work. This month we partnered with Kathy Braud, Little Falls watercolorist. [Click HERE to experience The Artful Mind.](#)

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**TCAA Studio Wednesday Classes**

## LIVE on Facebook

Studio Wednesday classes are held weekly in the Crossing Arts classroom, alternating between activities geared towards kids and teens every other week. Due to the recent COVID-19 protocols, Crossing Arts has moved these classes online. You can join LIVE classes on their [Facebook page](#) for a fun and creative project lead by Education Coordinator, Trisha Peterson.



For more information at to see past videos visit: <https://www.crossingarts.org/studio-wednesday>

## Artist Resource Section

Artwork Archive provides artists, collectors and organizations powerful tools to manage their artwork, career or collection. Artists can check out the latest [Updated List of Financial Relief Resources for Artists During COVID-19.](#)

## Arts Organization Resource

As Governor Walz continues to provide information on the latest COVID-19 updates and changes FWAC will continue to do so as well. In addition to our [COVID-19 Updates & Resources](#) page below are links to the **Event Safety Alliance Reopening Guide** and **Forecast's Innovation in the Time of COVID-19 'Creative Alternatives to In-Person Arts-Based Activities.'**

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### MN State Arts Board

[Artist Initiative grant program](#)

### MN Citizens for The Arts

[Coronavirus Resources](#)

### Springboard for The Arts

[Springboard for the Arts Personal Emergency Relief Fund](#)

### COVID-19 Information for Minnesotans

[MN Employment and Economic Development Resources](#)

## FWAC GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Five Wings Arts Council provides funding to organizations and artists in Cass, Crow Wing, Todd, Morrison or Wadena counties. A variety of grant programs are available to produce, present, and/or promote arts projects in Region Five.



The FWAC staff is ready and willing to assist applicants in providing feedback about project ideas and pre-review your grant application. Read on to find out more about each of our grant programs. If you have questions, please contact Vicki Chepulis, Grants & Program Coordinator, at 877-654-2166 or [vicki.fwac@arvig.net](mailto:vicki.fwac@arvig.net).

### **Links to Grant Guidelines:**

[Community Arts Access Project Grants](#)

[Individual Artist Grants](#)

[Small Project Grants](#)

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### **DO YOU HAVE A NEWSLETTER IDEA?**

Are you an artist or an arts organization that is interested in being featured in the FWAC monthly newsletter? Contact Vicki at [vicki.fwac@arvig.net](mailto:vicki.fwac@arvig.net) for more information.

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