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Five Wings Art Council Needs YOUR Help!

Do you want to help shape the future of the Arts and Cultural Development in our Region? Please take a moment to fill out this short survey below.

[**CLICK HERE TO TAKE THE SURVEY**](#)

The Five Wings Arts Council is one of 11 Regional Arts Councils across the state charged with providing local grant and

development support for arts and cultural opportunities. The Council serves the Counties of Cass, Crow Wing, Morrison, Todd, and Wadena. We are putting together their program priorities for 2020-21. The priorities of the Arts Council are Citizen Driven and your input is vital to the mission of Five Wings Art Council.

The 3rd Dimension Opening Reception

Friday, March 1st, 5:00PM to 7:00PM
The Crossing Arts Alliance
711 Laurel Street | Brainerd, MN



Don't miss the opening reception of 'The 3rd Dimension', at The Crossing Arts Alliance studio. Enjoy mingling with fellow artists and arts enthusiasts.

As you enter the gallery you will find yourself inside another dimension. *The 3rd Dimension* exhibit focuses on depth, texture and an artist's vision over function. This unique exhibition also features a selection of creative and thought-provoking pieces that are all sculptural in nature. Using various traditional and non-traditional materials, the artwork comes alive visually through form as it breaks free from the traditional two-dimensional mold. Free will offering at the door. Light refreshments will be served.

Featured artists in this exhibition include: Carolyn Abbott, Laurie Borggreve, Millie Engisch, Andrea Luella Gohl, Molly Mae Krautkremer, Martin Nelson, Tony Powers, Cassi Rebman, Mary Schaeffbauer, Lucas Schultz, Cyrus Swann, and Chase Vreeland.

À la cARTE Design Party

Tuesday, March 5th
6:00PM to 8:00PM
Located at Sprout Growers & Makers Marketplace
609 13th Avenue NE, Door #8
Little Falls, MN
FREE Event: [Register here.](#)



CALLING ARTISTS, ARTIST COLLECTIVES, or CREATIVE ORGANIZATIONS:

Gather for the À la cARTE Design Party, hosted at Sprout on Tuesday, March 5th at 6 p.m.

Join us to learn about Sprout's latest initiative-the À la cARTE Project. À la cARTE will promote regional artists and provide innovative ways for them to engage community members through the use of mobile art studios. Examples of these mobile studios, called "art carts," may include supplies for a pop-up painting class like easels, paints, and brushes or a folding stage and microphone set could allow for short play productions or musical performances. Whatever the medium, the art carts will aim to foster community fun, new skills and interests.

At the Design Party, we will share the vision of the À la cARTE project, the application process, and the selection criteria required to be among the creatives selected to

partner with Sprout on this new endeavor. The Design Party is also a chance provide your feedback on the application process, prior to the opening of the call for proposals.

The art cart will be owned by the selected artists or artist collaboratives. Recipients will receive funds to develop their art cart as an outlet for their art production, as a resource for engaging the community and as an economic driver for their art business. A key goal of the project is to lift up the skills and insights of area artists, which are more uniquely equipped to infuse creativity into community engagement strategies.

This new project will also work in tandem with Sprout's Mobile Market stops, providing additional community engagement activities and bringing a blend of local food and art opportunities to area residents. The Mobile Market program is set to begin this summer and will travel to rural areas in Central Minnesota. The À la cARTE initiative will allow for creativity by the selected artists and give them a mobile platform to share their art and creative talents.

Anyone interested in participating in the À la cARTE Design Party is asked to register at the link above.

Peltoniemi Brothers Perform for St Urho's Day!

**Saturday, March 16th
7:00PM to 9:00PM
New York Mills Regional Cultural Center
24 Main Avenue North**



Just in time for St. Urho's day!

Rich in the Finnish culture, the Cultural Center welcomes back Kip and Eric Peltoniemi! The two divide the show between Kip's classic Finnish-American humor and songs and accordion pieces - and Eric's songs sang in both Finnish and in English. The duo have been into Finnish mosaic since their young days and have many long time friends and colleagues in Finland.

An advertisement for 'Write Your Life Workshops'. The background is a wooden surface with a smartphone and a notebook. The text 'DO YOU HAVE A STORY TO TELL?' is written in white on the smartphone screen. Below it, a blue arrow points right with the text 'WRITE YOUR LIFE Workshops'. Another blue arrow points left with the text 'With ANGELA FOSTER'. The Crossing Arts Alliance logo is in the bottom left corner.

**The Crossing Arts Alliance
Saturdays: April 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th
1:00 PM to 4:00 PM
For all levels of writers
Cost: \$45**

Do you have a story to tell? Do you worry your children and grandchildren will never know the simple pleasures of growing up in a world without cell phones and internet? does your history include family lore that should be captured on paper? Through the use of free writes and prompts, we'll begin putting those memories on paper. Workshop attendees will learn practical ways to create stories their family will enjoy for generations. Classes are intended for all levels of writing ability.

Writers will:

- Complete six writing assignments with opportunities to read and share your work.
- Learn a minimum of three important skills to organize your writing project.
- Learn basic writing skills to improve your story.
- Gain confidence to overcome insecurities with writing.
- Gain awareness of resources: A community of writers to connect with going forward, quality books to continue to improve writing skills, contests and opportunities to submit work, further connections to TCAA resources to showcase your work, and continued literary art educational opportunities.

About the Instructor: Angela Foster is a poet and memoirist who teaches creative writing at the Loft Literary Center in Minneapolis. In 2004 and again in 2006, she received the Carol Bly Award in Creative Nonfiction from Bemidji State University. Angela received an Artist's Grant from the East Central Arts Council and was a 2006 and 2009 finalist for the Loft Mentorship program. For more about Angela Foster and her work visit her website at: <https://www.angelaforster.com/>

Don't Miss The NEW Northern Pacific Center Indoor Winter Market



**Saturday, March 16th
11:00AM to 5:00PM
Northern Pacific Center
1511 Northern Pacific Road, Brainerd**

Brainerd's Historic Northern Pacific Center's First Indoor Winter Market!

In the spirit of Sprout Growers & Makers Marketplace, the goal is to complement an already amazing program by bringing an indoor market to the Northern Pacific Center in Brainerd.

Sprout Marketplace and the Region Five Development Commission wants to help kick off the St. Patrick's Day weekend in the Lakes Area with this fun event for the community. There will be children's activities, a live band, and Irish food and beverages and so much more in store for this new event. The NPC Market crew will be participating in the Brainerd St. Patrick's Day Parade that morning to help market this exciting event!

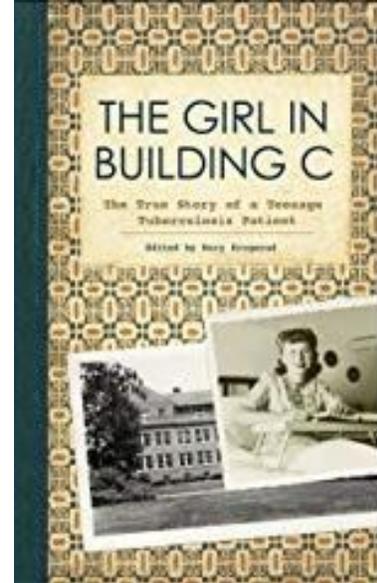
*If you are interested in vending please email: sharon.npc1871@gmail.com

BookEnds with Author Mary Krugerud

**Saturday, March 9th
11:00AM to 12:00PM**

The Uptown Cafe
224 Jefferson Street South
Wadena, MN

The Wadena County Historical Society is excited to host Mary Krugerud, author of, "*The Girl in Building C: The True Story of a Teenage Tuberculosis Patient*", at the monthly BookEnds series. For more information call: 218-631-9079.



Five Wings Art Council Upcoming Deadlines

[Arts Based Community Development Grant Applications Due March 8th](#)

[Community Arts Access Project Grant Applications Due April 15th](#)

Additional Arts Opportunities

Central MN Regional Sustainable Development Program CALL FOR IDEA BRIEFS

The CRSDP Project Partnerships support research, design and planning efforts that pair a community with UM students or faculty to promote economic, social, and environmental sustainability. **Deadline is March 1st.** Click [HERE](#) for more details.

Rural Arts & Culture Summit 2019 CALL FOR SESSION IDEAS

Interested in presenting at the 2019 Rural Arts and Culture Summit? This year, we are particularly looking for session ideas that address the idea of "Creative People Power," in rural places. What does creative people power look like in your community or region? How do we create and sustain the conditions that allow for long-term, sustainable creative leadership rooted in culture and identities of the community at large? Click [HERE](#) for more information on proposal ideas to read the guidelines, or to submit a proposal. Deadline to submit a proposal is **Tuesday, March 5, 2019.**

Sprout Marketplace and Region Five Development Commission

[Seeking Proposals for Creative Placemaking Funds | Up to \\$5000 to Implement an Art Installation or Community Art Project in Your Community](#)

FWAC Seeking Representative from Todd and Cass 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 a representative from **Cass and Todd 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/or 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 vicki.fwac@arvig.net. Questions? Call 877-654-2166.

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

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.



[Overview of FY19 Grant Information](#)

Links to Grant Guidelines:

[Community Arts Access Project Grants](#)

[School Arts Project Grants](#)

[General Operating Support Grants](#)

[Individual Artist Grants](#)

[Small Project Grants](#)

Other Opportunities and Resources

- [Minnesota State Arts Board](#)
- [Jerome Foundation](#)
- [McKnight Foundation](#)
- [National Endowment for the Arts](#)
- [Springboard for the Arts](#)



