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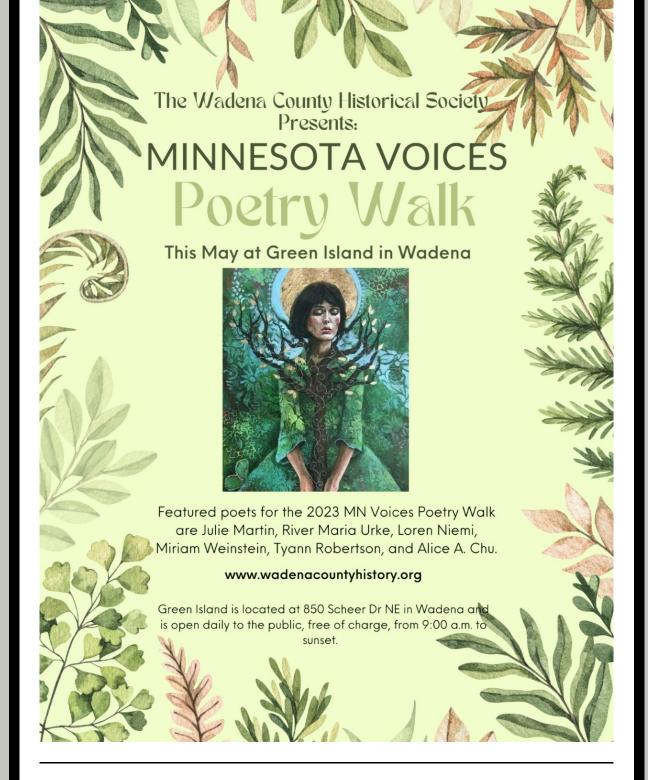


ART NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES May | 2023

ART is in the Air!

Take a nature walk at Green Island in Wadena to experience the Wadena County Historical Society's annual Minnesota Voices Poetry Walk. Meander the trails and immerse yourself in the beauty of both nature and poetry. This week features an array of art opportunities, grant funding opportunities, calls for proposals, and more. Have a kiddo that needs something fun to do this summer? Find youth theater camps, and grab your camping spot for the annual Bluegrass Festival with early bird pricing. Don't forget to stop by the Crossing Arts Alliance this Saturday for a free kids creativity kit!

Upcoming Arts Events



NEW YORK MILLS, MINNESOTA

CULTURAL

CULTIVATING THE ARTS



Celebrating Cultures

@ New York Mills Sculpture Park May 31, 2023

This event is co-presented by the New York Mills Regional Cultural Center and Niijii Radio.

The New York Mills Regional Cultural Center is seeking additional cultural partners to make this a true cross-cultural exchange event; all cultures are welcome!

Do you have stories, traditions, artistic practices, or cultural food to share? All those interested in positive, family-friendly cross-cultural sharing are welcome.

Ideas for participation include art activities for children and adults, artist/maker demonstrations, cultural exchange sharing presentations, food booths/trucks, and any creative way to share and celebrate a variety of cultures!

At this year's event, they will continue their focus on family-friendly community art activities. They are also opening the event up to vendors to sell their goods. Vendors pay a fee of \$25 and keep all their profits. Artists who are demonstrating or sharing stories (and NOT selling goods) are welcome to participate at no cost.

Please bring your own tables, chairs, tents, etc. -- whatever you need to set up. The event begins at 4:00 p.m. You can set up at the Sculpture Park in the designated vendor area (spots first come first served) any time after 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 31st. There are restrooms, water, and electricity in the Barn. Bring your own extension cords if you need power; access may be limited. Please let them know if you need access to electricity.

Have a friend or know an organization that might be a perfect fit for this event? Please forward this info to them!

Click below to register and pay the vendor booth fee online, email nymrcc@kulcher.org or call 218-385-3339 to sign up.

MUST REGISTER BY WEDNESDAY, MAY 24TH!





Youth Theater Camps



The Central Lakes Community Performing Arts Center is excited to announce its Spotlight Youth Theatre Camp, a two-week experience for students in grades 5-8 and 9-12. Graduating 2023 Seniors are welcome to attend.

About the Camp: Spotlight campers will learn acting and musical theatre skills with some of the best teachers in the Brainerd Lakes Area! This camp is open to all skill levels - no prior experience in performance is required, just a desire to have fun and work with other campers to create some fantastic memories! Summer experiences can be expensive, so Spotlight Youth Theatre Camp is offered on a Pay-What-You-Wish basis. Suggested tuition options are stated, but if you don't see an option that fits your needs, don't hesitate to get in touch with the team directly and they will get you all set!

Call 218-855-8199 or email <u>clcperformingarts@clcmn.edu</u>.

Spotlight will be held at Central Lakes College - Brainerd Campus, weekdays only, beginning June 20 through June 30, from 12:30 to 4:00 PM. Campers may be dropped off at 12:00 PM, and pick-up occurs between 4:00 PM and 4:15 PM. For students participating in High School Musical Jr, transportation accommodations can be made to bus those students from Central Lakes College to the Gichi-ziibi

Center for the Arts - just let them know when you sign up!

Visit the CLCPAC website for more information at: www.clcperformingarts.com



Explore Music with LAMF!

Kids in the Lakes Area won't want to miss this weeklong day camp packed with activities and creativity! Participants will move, dance, sing, and play instruments every day and exercise their creative muscles through guided improvisation. Our team of Teaching Artists brings their expertise in drumming, improvisation, theater, vocal studies, visual arts, and conducting to you and your explorers.

When: July 31-August 4, 9 am to noon, daily

Where: The Music Wing and Gichi-ziibi Center at Brainerd High School

Cost: \$95 registration fee, scholarships available

More at: www.lakesareamusic.org/explore-music

LAMPLIGHTER COMMUNITY THEATRE

Lamp Camp
SAVE the = 2023

JUNE 5-9 & 12-16

8:00am-12:00pm 8-12 year olds 12:30pm-4:30pm 13-18 year olds

FREE PUBLIC PERFORMANCE JUNE 16 6:30 PM

We will help each student to discover their own unique gifts and to develop a passion for theater while providing the tools and resources needed for them to be successful.

The camp this year has some added theater fixtures. Along with Improv, music, and dance, we will be working on costumes, make up, set design and some lighting.



Justin Edin Artistic Director Drama Director Brian Sterriker

Nicolette Paskewitz

APPLICATION TO COME ONLINE

or visit www.lctstaples.com

Lamplighter Community Theatre activities are sponsored in part by the Minnesota State Arts Board through the arts and cultural heritage fund as appropriated by the Minnesota State Legislature with money from the Legacy Amendment vote for the people of Minnesota on Nov. 4, 2008.



S.N.A.P.: Youth Stage North Acting Program

If you've always wanted to give acting a try, this is your opportunity! If you just want to sharpen your skills, SNAP works for you as well.

June 12-16 10am to Noon | Ages 10-16 \$25.00



Visit www.StageNorthTheater.com/Acting-Workshops

for more information and to register!

Additional Events, Resources & Opportunities

Free Creativity Kits for Kids - Second Saturdays at Crossing Arts

Hey hey it's almost Second Saturday, stop by The Crossing Arts Alliance to grab the MONEY project for our Creativity Kits. Kids will get their very own ceramic piggy bank and paints to make it uniquely theirs, AND some fake money to learn about origami. First come, first serve beginning at 10:00 am.

Located at 711 Laurel Street in Downtown Brainerd



Early Bird Ticket Pricing is Available through June 15!

Kick off your summer plans and order your tickets for the 2023 Bluegrass Festival by June 15th to lock in 2022 pricing! Purchase tickets online at https://lakesbluegrassfestival.com.



SEEKING PARTICIPANTS & STORIES for a WORKSHOP SERIES creating content for A Prairie Homeless Companion - a live performance and broadcast in Central MN. Hosted by Oasis Central Minnesota and zAmya Theater Project, artists will lead writing prompts and theater exercises designed to help participants develop personal stories into monologues, scenes, poems, or songs. Participants will be invited to share these in a showcase at the end of the workshops and submit them for inclusion in the A Prairie Homeless Companion fall performance and podcast.

Visit A Prairie Homeless Companion Website for additional information at: https://oasiscentralmn.org/featured/events/a-prairie-homeless-companion/



Attention writers!!

Would you like to write your own play?



WORKBENCH new play workshop June 11 - 18 2023

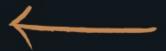
Participation is Free!!!

Now accepting applications!

Go to : www.northernlightopera.org to sign up today!!

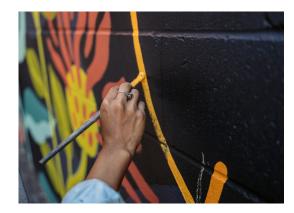


Or use the QR code!



"This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota, through a grant from the Region 2 Arts Council, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund."





Call for Proposals | Art On the Roll

If you are an artist, artesian, or maker, or have a creative skill you can teach and share

with others, you are the perfect person to lead an Art on the Roll workshop at Art in Motion! Every Saturday Morning in the summer, we host free, drop-in creative art activities for folks of all ages held at Art in Motion on the Lake Wobegon Trail (1400 4th St. Holdingford, MN)

Artists will receive a \$200 stipend and a \$50 supply budget (all distributed at the end of the workshop in one check: a total of \$250) Artists are responsible for acquiring the materials for their workshop.

Visit the website for more details at:

https://www.centralmnartsboard.org/opportunities/jobs-calls-forartists/



Looking for your people?

ArtWorking is a newly formed and growing network of area artists and creative minds. We are working to expand a sense of community amongst diverse artists of all mediums. They meet to talk, bounce ideas around, and inspire each other. This is an informal gathering of artsy oddballs. Everyone is invited to join!

ArtWorking meets on the third Tuesday of every month from 5:00 - 7:00 pm, at Ya Sure Kombucha (right around the corner from Crossing Arts, at 216 S 8th St, Brainerd, MN)

Afterward, everyone is invited to shop locally at Crossing Arts to stock up on supplies!



Call for Musicians and Performers | Common Roots Fest 23

Central Minnesota Common Roots Festival held August 16-19, 2023 is a showcase celebrating and supporting grassroots talent, local businesses, beautiful art, area performers, and original music! The festival is focused in downtown St. Cloud, MN.

Request to play, shine on stage, sell your stuff, and volunteer with them by signing in and filling out the applications on their website!

APPLY HERE

They are also accepting applications for 2023 vendors, volunteers, drag, burlesque, and other performing artists. While filling out our forms lets us know you are interested in performing, it does not guarantee participation. We give priority to performers/vendors with ties to Central Minnesota. They do their best to be as inclusive as possible.



Arts Midwest Award for Artists with Disabilities

Applications for the NEW Midwest Award for Artists with Disabilities are now open! This \$3,000 award supports accessibility in the arts and celebrates the work of disabled Midwestern visual artists.

Application deadline: May 22, 2023

Learn More Here



New Grant Opportunity for Arts Organizations

The Minnesota State Arts Board has announced a new Accessible Arts grant program for arts organizations and arts affiliates. It offers project grants that support making arts activities more accessible to people with disabilities. Funds can be used for investments that will have a longer-term impact, such as Professional development related to accessibility; Hiring accessibility consultants to conduct audits or develop accessibility plans; Improvements to digital accessibility; and/or Small physical or equipment investments (less than \$5,000) that will make programming more accessible.

Applicants may request \$10,000 to \$20,000.

The deadline is June 30, 2023. A virtual Information Session will be available for potential applicants to learn more about the program's purpose, application process, and key accessibility resources. For more information, go to http://www.arts.state.mn.us/grants/accessible-arts.htm



Springboard for the Arts is excited to announce that applications are now open for the **2023-25 Rural Regenerator Fellowship!**

Rural places need leaders who know the importance of creativity and culture in cultivating human-centered systems for rural community health, economic vitality, and civic engagement. Expanding on over a decade of rural programming, Springboard's Rural Regenerator Fellowship supports these creative leaders in the Upper Midwest through unrestricted funding, and ongoing learning and exchange.

The Fellowship is open to individual artists, makers, culture bearers, grassroots organizers, community development workers, public sector workers, and other rural change makers who are committed to advancing the role of art, culture, and creativity in rural development and community building. We are also thrilled to share that we've added two new eligible states this year, Kansas and Nebraska!

More About the Fellowship:

- Fellows participate in two years of peer learning and exchange and receive an unrestricted \$10,000 stipend.
- Eligible applicants must live and work in a rural place in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Iowa, Illinois, Kansas, or Nebraska and/or the Native Nations that share those geographies.
- Applicants who are Black, Indigenous, Native, People of Color, LGBTQIA+, and/or People with disabilities will be prioritized in the selection process.

Apply by Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at: https://springboardforthearts.org/rural-regenerator-fellowship/



The National Endowment for the Arts encourages nominations of master folk and traditional artists to recognize artistic excellence, lifetime achievement, and contributions to our nation's traditional arts heritage. Nominees must be worthy of national recognition and have a record of continuing artistic accomplishment. They must be actively participating in their art form, either as practitioners or as teachers.

Application deadline: May 30, 2023

Visit the NEA Website at: https://www.arts.gov/honors/heritage/make-a-national-heritage-fellowship-nomination to submit a nomination and to learn more.

Resources for Promoting Arts Events

Visit Brainerd

www.visitbrainerd.com

Visit Brainerd provides free marketing outlets for businesses and artists alike to increase visibility for upcoming events. Check out their website at www.visitbrainerd.com for details on how to use their event calendar and other courtesy marketing services. Download the marketing information flyer below.

DOWNLOAD MARKETING INFORMATION HERE

MNAA Accessible Arts & Culutre Calendar

The Minnesota Access Alliance (MNAA) provides this Accessible Arts & Culture Calendar for patrons who use accessibility accommodations such as Audio Description, Captioning, ASL interpreting, and sensory-friendly accommodations. Visit the link for more details at https://calendar.mnaccess.org.

FWAC Arts Calendar

Submit your arts event to be included in our Arts Calendar and eNewsletter.

Submit Your Event



FWAC Grant Opportunities



FIVE WINGS ART COUNCIL

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Individual Artist Grants
Community Grants

www.fwac.org

As one of the eleven Regional Arts Councils of Minnesota, the Five Wings Art Council is entrusted with the stewardship and distribution of funds acquired from the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage (ACH) fund as well as funds allocated from the General Budget through the Minnesota State Legislature.

We embrace the vision, guiding principles, goals, and key strategies developed in partnership with the Minnesota Regional Arts Councils and the Minnesota State Arts Board. FWAC is committed to working together to accomplish this vision of this constitutional amendment. We do this through grant programs designed to support the work of community organizations to bring the arts to the citizens of their community. Five Wings Arts Council also grants funds from the McKnight Foundation to support the work of individual artists within our region.

The Five Wings Art Council administers grant programs for individual artists and arts organizations living in Cass, Crow Wing, Todd, Morrison, and Wadena Counties. These grant programs have been established to provide assistance for artists at various stages in their career development, and for arts organizations.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO LEARN MORE & APPLY

Questions?

**Before beginning the application process please contact Vicki Chepulis, Grants & Programs Coordinator to ensure the project is eligible for funding.

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