LRAC July Art Headlines

Summer Sidewalk Art

LRAC Gallery has outdoor public art by Tim Cassidy.

Summer is always a time to enjoy being outdoors. This year, Lake Region Arts Council is trying something new to enhance the sidewalk in front of our building.

LRAC has installed an outdoor sculpture piece entitled, "Fertilizer" by Tim Cassidy. The piece is already drawing looks and comments from pedestrians out for a summer stroll.

"Fertilizer" is only up for the summer. It will come down the end of September. We hope if you are in Fergus Falls, you will stop by to enjoy this summer piece of public art. If you are lucky you may also see random chalk art in odd locations in downtown Fergus Falls. We have had several "chalk bombings" around town this month. Who ever the artist is, they are very talented. It is great fun to see what new summer art pops up in addition to the great permanent pieces of public art in town.

featured event

"Funeral Hotdish", Author Luncheon & Talk by Jana Bommersbach,
July 18, 2017, 11:30 a.m. from 1:00 p.m.
Breckenridge Lutheran Church,
301 6th St N,
Breckenridge, MN

Award winning author and North Dakota native Jana Bommersbach will be at Breckenridge Lutheran Church on Tuesday, July 18 from 11:30 a.m. from 1:00 p.m. There will be a talk by Jana, hotdish lunch served, copies of Jana's books available for purchase, and a book signing opportunity with Jana.

Tickets are $25 and are available at the Red Door Art Galley.

Red Door Gallery
418 Dakota Ave
Wahpeton, ND 58075
Phone: (701) 591-1010
http://www.reddoorgallerywahpeton.com/index.html

For More Information
**Featured Artist**

**Holly Diestler, Moorhead**
Holly D Photography & Designs  
(218) 205-6383  
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Website: [http://www.hollydphotography.com/](http://www.hollydphotography.com/)

Holly D is a custom lifestyle portrait photographer who primarily uses natural light and shoots on location. Her commercial projects include boutiques, magazines, and she has been published in local, national, and international publications. Her work has been on exhibit at various galleries in the region.

Holly D was thrilled to be named one of the top 5 photographers in Fargo-Moorhead by High Plains Reader three years running, being voted Best Photographer in 2016. She is known through the region for her images of high fashioned models starkly juxtaposed against the historic and deteriorating building of the Kirkbride building.

Holly D is generous with her talents in serving community, supporting Minnesota Heart Gallery and Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep. Lake Region Arts Council has commissioned Diestler to serve as a mentor this summer for a Hawley Artist Mentor student, Hayley Bercier who shares Holly's passion in photography.

Follow Holly D’s Adventures on Facebook

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**Featured Arts Partner Organization**

**Cormorant Area Art Club Fine Art Show**  
July 8-9, 10-5 pm  
Cormorant Area Community Center  
10929 County Highway 5, Pelican Rapids MN 56572  
(218) 532-5136  
https://www.facebook.com/CormorantArt/

"Cormorant Area Art Club hosts 20th Annual Show July 8-9"

Twenty-five regional artists will display a wide variety of watercolors, acrylic and oil paintings, rosemaling, pine needle basketry, prints, cards, clay sculpture and art gift items. Member artists are from Fargo/MHD/West Fargo, Hawley, Audubon, Dent, Lake Park, Detroit Lakes and Pelican Rapids.

Most items can be removed at the time of purchase.

Activities throughout the weekend include artist demonstrations and door prizes. Guests may vote for the People's Choice Award from a selected group of artist's pieces.

Refreshments will be available. There is no admission charge. For more information, call Linda Sheryak (520) 390-0123 (Detroit Lakes). The Cormorant Area Art Club is a 501(c)(3) non profit organization.
**LRAC Gallery Exhibits**

**Main Gallery,**
"Refraction: Collaborative Work by Jenny Field & John Olesen"
Now - July 28, 2017
M-F, 9-5

What happens when two creative, but very different, artists decide to combine their talents? When the artists are painter Jenny Field and glass blower John Olesen, the result is a group of striking three dimensional and vividly alive works of art.

Using acrylics, oils and hand blown glass, Jenny Field and John Olesen courageously embarked on an adventure that they say was challenging and enlightening. Often learning new techniques from each other and jointly working through the process of working together to produce one piece, both artists agree that the collaboration helped them to expand their approach to their art.

Jenny Field’s work can be seen on her Facebook page: [https://www.facebook.com/jenny.field.526](https://www.facebook.com/jenny.field.526)
John Olesen’s work can be seen on a recent episode of "Postcards". View by clicking here: [http://www.tpt.org/postcards/episode/john-olesen](http://www.tpt.org/postcards/episode/john-olesen)

**Solo Gallery,**
"Arlene Sherman, Solo Artist Exhibit"
June 1 - July 31, 2017
M-F, 9-5
Reception: June 20, 5-6:30 pm

Arlene Sherman has enjoyed painting for the past 35 years, especially in oil and watercolor. Her painting subjects often are of landscapes and flora from her travels to Norway, Switzerland and New Zealand.

Sherman’s work will also be featured in the annual Art of the Lakes Studio Tour, July 2017. Visit the studio tour web-site here: [http://aotl-studiotour.org/](http://aotl-studiotour.org/)

**Artists of Lake Region,**
Lake Region Arts Council
YouTube Channel Playlist

West central Minnesota is rich with talented artists of all kinds - painters, musicians, sculptors, writers, and many more. We hope you enjoy these videos, and become a subscriber to this channel!

[https://www.youtube.com/user/LakeRegionArts/videos](https://www.youtube.com/user/LakeRegionArts/videos)

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**LRAC Fellowship Grant 2017**

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LRAC is thrilled to announce the 2017 Fellowship recipient is Carrie Wintersteen, performance artist from Moorhead, MN.

To learn more about Wintersteen's Fellowship project and theatre background, check out the full article.

Click Here

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**LRAC Career Development Grants**

LRAC Board awarded seven Career Development Grants, for a total of $8,400, at the May LRAC Grant Review that was held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017. It was a competitive grant round with 20 applicants applying for up to $1,200 per grant.

- Kimble Bromley, Pelican Rapids
- Bruce Engbrethson, Detroit Lakes
- Adam Priebsnow, Moorhead
- Arlyn Swenson, Hoffman
- Amy Tichy, Moorhead
- Nancy Valentine, Fergus Falls
- Sonja Worth, Moorhead

To learn more about their projects Click Here

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**LRAC New Grant Year**

*It's Official, LRAC is Rolling Out a New Online Grant System*

Beginning with the LRAC Artist Quick Start Grant application, all LRAC grant applications will be submitted in the new LRAC online grant system. **The new site will available on Monday, July 10, 2017.**

We are excited to be partnering with Foundant Technologies to offer a new and improved grant system. Here are some of the new features:

- **Uploading Supporting Documents** (no more email attachments)
- **Uploading Work Samples and Website links** (no more cloud sites)
- **Embedded Signature Section** (no more signature pages)

You'll find the link to the new LRAC online grant system by clicking on the APPLY button located on the [LRAC4.org website](http://www.LRAC4.org) menu. **Remember, it goes live July 10, 2017.**

All applicants will need to create a new logon profile in the new system. If you have applied for a LRAC grant in the past, you'll need to create a new profile as well.

Any questions, please contact the LRAC office; [LRAC4@LRACgrants.org](mailto:LRAC4@LRACgrants.org) or **218.739.5780**

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**MN State Arts Board**

**FY2018 Community Arts Education Support**

The Community Arts Education Support grant program provides operating support to build and strengthen the capacity of exceptional arts education organizations, or of arts education programs of public or nonprofit organizations that have a sustained
commitment to providing ongoing, rigorous arts education opportunities in community settings.

- **Deadline is Friday, July 14, 2017**

**FY2018 Arts Tour Minnesota**

Arts Tour Minnesota is a program designed to provide Minnesotans greater access to high quality arts activities regardless of geographic location. Grants may be used to support Minnesota presenters hosting professional tours by Minnesota and non Minnesota artists, or to support Minnesota artists and arts organizations touring existing artworks to Minnesota communities that are outside of their home region. The program is open to tours featuring visual, literary, and performing arts.

- **Deadline is Friday, July 21, 2017**

**FY2018 Artist Initiative Visual Artists**

The Artist Initiative grant program is designed to support and assist professional Minnesota artists at various stages in their careers by encouraging artistic development, nurturing artistic creativity, and recognizing the contributions of individual artists to the creative environment of the state of Minnesota. Grants will be awarded for career building and the creative development of artists.

- **Deadline is Friday, August 4, 2017**

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