LRAC July Art Headlines

LRAC News Brief

Invitation to LRAC Annual Meeting
The public is invited to celebrate Lake Region Arts Council’s Annual banquet which will be held on Wednesday, July 25 at the Lakeside Ballroom, 180 S. Lakeshore Drive, Glenwood, MN 56334. This is the evening when we recognize our retiring board members and celebrate the arts in the region.

The Board Meeting will take place in the ballroom at 5:00 pm. Social hour begins at 6:00 pm on the Lake Minnewaska Boat Cruise and presentation of Awards will follow a 6:30 pm dinner on the boat.

The boat leaves at 6:00 pm sharp!

Reservations are required! Please call 218-739-5780 or email LRAC4@LRACgrants.org for a banquet reservation form. Reservations are due on or before July 15, 2018.

Featured Event

Art of the Lakes 2018 Studio Tour

July 20, 21, 10 am - 5 pm
July 22, 11 am - 3 pm
various locations

The Art of the Lakes Studio Tour is a scenic, drive-yourself tour of 56 artists in 24 studios, in Otter Tail, Douglas and Grant counties in west-central Minnesota. Look for the yellow signs to help guide you to your destination. This is your opportunity to shop for unique works of art while you get to know the artists.

Not all studios are open on Sunday. This annual event is free and open to the public.

Featured Artist

Sarah Eckel
Multi-Media Artist

While in high school, Sarah Eckel began to develop as a serious visual arts student while working with an artist
mentor. She continued her journey of exploration and self-discovery at the U of M, Morris studying various mediums and techniques.

Now, Sarah uses various media to explore different emotions associated with body image. In her new exhibit, Unveiled Vulnerability, people interact with her work by opening, then closing curtains over each piece. The use of curtains helps Sarah express her conflict and extreme discomfort in displaying her body.

In addition, she hopes unveiling each piece helps create a more intimate experience for the viewer. She says, "I believe that through this exposure of my most vulnerable self I can come to accept the body I have and who I am, as well as help other people to accept who they are."

Sarah is a 2017 LRAC Artist Cohort alumni and her work will be exhibited in the LRAC Solo Gallery in August and September, 2018.

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**Featured LRAC Service**

**LRAC Arts Resources Facebook Page**

Like us on Facebook and keep up to date on opportunities for artists such as calls for art work, grants, residencies, workshops, networking meetings.

New postings everyday. We find the best info for artists and post it here. If you aren't following us, you are missing out!

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**LRAC Gallery Exhibits**

**Main Gallery**

"Guest Juror Nicole Soukop, MN Institute of Art Exhibit"

Exhibit: July 2 - Sept. 28, 2018

**Reception: September 18, 2018, 5:00 - 6:30 pm**

From the April 2018 LRAC "Call for Artists", fourteen artists and 20 works of art were chosen for this exhibit.

The exhibit displays a wide range of mediums - quilting, oil painting, sculpture, serigraph, resin sound installation, fiber art, photography, etc.

Art credit: "Sunset #2 - Bears Ears National Monument" by John Beaudine

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**Solo Gallery**

**Jody Pederson**

LRAC 2018 Solo Gallery Exhibit: June to July 31, 2018
Jodi's exhibit at the LRAC Solo Gallery features her work with fused glass. Jodi has been working with glass over 19 years. She also works with glass bead making, pendant and beaded glass jewelry and small beaded sculptures. More of her work can be seen at her website, Wolf Nest Glass Works, http://www.wolfnestglassworks.com/

LRAC Facebook with Jodi Peterson

LRAC Individual Grant Awards

Career Development Grant

On May 15, 2018, the LRAC Board reviewed 21 grant applications requesting $24,147.

It was a very competitive grant rounds with many great applications. $7,314 were awarded to seven grants.

Art credit: "Zoom", Jewelry, Large Pendant, Don Palardis

2018 Fellowship Grant

At the June 19th meeting, the LRAC Board awarded the 2018 Fellowship Grant visual artist Kristi Swee Kuder, Battle Lake.

Kuder's work as a visual artist encompasses a wide variety of materials and techniques primarily focusing on the fiber arts.

Her Fellowship Project is to learn more about working with paper fibers to create 3 dimensional work. Kristin will work with master paper maker Bridget O'Malley.

Read the Fellowship Grant Announcement

LRAC Upcoming Grants

Fiscal Year 2019 Starts July 1st

It's hard to imagine but LRAC is wrapping up 2018 and moving into 2019 starting July 1, 2018. The Fall Grant Rounds are just around the corner.
**Artist Quick Start Grant**, **seven** $750 grants
- **Deadline**: August 7, 2018
- Grant Review: September 18, 2018

**Fall Project Grant**, $12,870
- Webinar: July 31, 2018, 5:00 pm
- **Deadline**: September 11, 2018
- Grant Review: October 16, 2018

**Fall Legacy Grant**, $59,825
- Organization Webinar: August 14, 2018, 5:00 pm
- Individual Webinar: August 21, 2018, 6:00 pm
- **Deadline**: October 2, 2018
- Grant Review: November 20, 2018

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**LRAC 2019 Grant Calendar**

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**Other Opportunities**

**Minnesota State Arts Board**

**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.

The deadline to submit applications is **Friday, July 13, 2018.** Proposed projects must take place between June 1, 2019, and May 31, 2020.

**MSAB FY19 Arts Tour Minnesota Grant**

**Round out your skills at the 2018 Nonprofit Essentials Conference!**

The 2018 Nonprofit Essentials Conference provides a back-to-basics overview of the many management topics essential to nonprofits, and re-focuses staff on the core elements of working and managing nonprofit organizations. This day-long conference will provide you with training to help your organization work smarter!

At this conference, you will find skill-building breakout sessions on a wide array of nonprofit management topics, including grantwriting, communications, evaluation, supervision, volunteer management and more!

The conference is hosted by the Minnesota Council for Nonprofits and takes place at the University of St. Thomas, Minneapolis, MN from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

For more information on the Nonprofit Essential Conference
LRAC Executive Director

Maxine Adams

Please contact the LRAC office for more information:
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Serving the LRAC region: Becker, Clay, Douglas, Grant,
Otter Tail, Pope, Stevens, Traverse, and Wilkin counties.