LRAC May Art Headlines

LRAC News Brief

Arts Resource Fair
Sat May 18th, 10 am until 2:30 pm.
Knute Nelson/Grand Arbor, 4403 Pioneer Road SE, Alexandria, MN.

What is an Arts Resource Fair? An event that provides regional artists and state wide arts organizations the opportunity to meet and get to know each other. The Arts Resource Fair is a time to connect, communicate and create community. You will have the opportunity to meet and talk with grant makers, exhibition/performance venues, and a variety of organizations that want to help you become a better artist, singer, dancer, writer or performer. New this year will be a workshop by the MN State Arts Board, "Prepare to Succeed: Applying for an Artists Initiative Grant, up to $10,000".

This year’s list of resources includes the MN State Arts Board, the Kaddatz Gallery, the Rourke Gallery, FilmNorth, the Loft, MN Music Coalition, Pioneer Public TV, the Playwrights Center, the Jerome Foundation, DanceBarn Collective, Art of the Lakes, MN College of Art & Design, Evansville Arts Coalition, and Springboard for the Arts to name a just a few.

Photo: meme by M. Adams

Click here to register

Click Here to view LRAC 2016 Arts Resource Fair video

Cultural and Heritage Events

White Earth Pow Wow
June 14–16, 2019
White Earth Pow Wow Grounds
White Earth, MN

Join us for the 151st Annual White Earth Pow Wow & Celebration on June 14–16, 2019 at the
White Earth Powwow Grounds in White Earth, Minnesota. Though the White Earth Pow Wow is a celebration of the White Earth Reservation’s people and heritage, everyone is invited. It’s an open event — not just for the native people, but for everyone. Around 1,000 dancers and 28 drum groups performed last year, with similar numbers expected again.

The White Earth Pow Wow will officially begin with a blessing of the White Earth Powwow Grounds on Thursday at 11 AM, followed by a feast at noon; all are welcome at the feast.

While each day of the White Earth Pow Wow will be filled with events, the best time for spectators is Saturday. That is the day when there are the most dancers. Between 2,500 and 3,000 people are expected to attend. There is no admission fee to enter, and parking is free as well. A community feast is held both Saturday and Sunday at 5 p.m., which is also free of charge.

The flag raising will be conducted Saturday and Sunday at 10 am. Grand Entries are Friday at 7 pm, as well as both Saturday and Sunday at 1 pm and 7 pm. All dancers in full regalia will dance in, led by the White Earth Color Guard vets who will bring in all of the flags. All branches of the armed forces are represented in the Grand Entry.

Public Welcome – No Admission

Featured Event

2019 FMVA BIG Art Show at the Historical & Cultural Society of Clay County

For several weeks each spring, the art of participating FMVA members fills the lower level gallery at Moorhead’s Hjemkomst Center—work from arts educators, emerging artists, and established artists. Statements from the artists describe their inspirations and techniques, and a reception offers the public an opportunity to meet and talk with the artists. Participants are members of FMVA, and each submits one work for the show. This show is hosted by the Historical Cultural Society of Clay County. Due to the amount of entries, artwork and frame cannot exceed 40 inches wide.

Join The Hjemkomst Center for the FREE opening reception of the FMVA BIG Art Show on Tuesday, April 16, from 5:00PM to 8:00PM. We’ll be celebrating another year of fantastic local art with one of our community's biggest local art gatherings. Admission is FREE and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

Hours:
Monday - Saturday
9:00AM - 5:00PM
Sunday
12:00PM - 5:00PM
Tuesday Nights
5:00PM - 8:00PM

Click here for more information
Featured Artist

Blayze Buseth: Pottery Artist

"My work attempts to transform a typical pottery vessel into a charged object; carrying both sensation and meaning. The forms that I create are made possible through multicultural integration.

By using modern tools and materials, I create vessels depictive of historic, cultural relics. These vessels are designed to portray such iconic characteristics as sculpted fabric, and relief-carved iconography.

I am continuously inspired by various cultures from around the world. Through study, I seek an understanding of the forms, underlying symbols, and the motifs that are unique to individual cultural expression. My learning curve has progressed beyond seeing cultural symbols as a mere personal expression or superficial attributes. Such cultural symbols, like those found in India, are often signposts for spiritual advancement and greater understanding. Through my creations, I integrate traditional craftsmanship with historic cultural forms and symbolism. In doing so, I reflect both cultural information and encoded meaning."

Photo credit: "Vases with Draping" by Blayze Buseth

Click here for Buseth Website

LRAC Gallery Exhibits

Main Gallery

"LRAC Fellowship Visual Artists Exhibit"

Exhibit dates: May 1 - June 28, 2019
Gallery hours, M-F, 9-5
137 S. Mill St., Fergus Falls, MN

Reception: Tuesday, May 21, 5 pm to 6:30 pm
Each year LRAC awards one $5,000 Fellowship to an outstanding Artist in our region to acknowledge their high level of artistic achievement and contribution to the Arts. The "LRAC Fellowship Visual Artists Exhibit" features the work of 6 past recipients of the LRAC Fellowship Award: Sean Scott, Kristi Kuder, Mary Williams, Jay McDougall, Scott Gunvaldson, and Zhimin Guan.

Learn more about this year's Fellowship Award, in this newsletter under LRAC Individual Grants section. Deadline to apply, May 7.

Photo credit: "Mia" by Scott Gunvaldson

Solo Gallery
BECKY ALBRIGHT:  
GYOTAKU & FIBER ARTIST

Exhibit dates: April 10 thru May 31, 2019  
Gallery hours, M-F, 9-5  
137 S. Mill St., Fergus Falls, MN

"I am a long time resident of the Alexandria lakes area having been raised in Henning, MN. I graduated from Concordia College in Moorhead, MN. After retiring from my teaching career in the Alexandria school system I am now able to pursue my own visual and fiber art interests. The journey continues!

My current focus is making Gyotaku art incorporated with my fiber art. I use real Minnesota fish and the traditional Japanese gyotaku printmaking technique to create my unique one-of-a-kind fish art.

My art inspiration comes from nature and what surrounds me every day. Whether I am memorializing the beauty of fish through my Gyotaku fish rubbings or using Eco printing and fabric dyeing with leaves and flowers, my hope is to inspire people to better appreciate and take care of nature in every way."

Photo credit: "Sunny Boy" by Becky Albright

Click here for more Albright artwork

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LRAC Grant Announcements

LRAC 2019 Spring Project Grant Awarded

$19,305 was awarded to Nine Spring Project Grants  
Click on the link below for the full announcement.

Watch for the official announcements in the coming months for:
• 2019 Spring Legacy Grants, individuals, government and organization grants, $147,231
• 2019 Career Development Grant for individuals, $7,200

Click Here for the 2019 Spring Project Grant Announcement?

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LRAC Individual Grants

LRAC 2019 Fellowship Grant

One $5,000 award to a Literary or Performance Artist

The 2019 Fellowship Grant is open to Literary and Performance disciplines this year. The grant recognizes, rewards and honors one person for their outstanding work in the field and in the LRAC region over the past five years.

Note: the Editing Services will be available for the Fellowship Grant narrative. Please contact the LRAC office if you would like to take advantage of this great opportunity.

To learn more about the application, watch the recorded Fellowship Grant Writing
Important Dates:
- **Grant Deadline: Tuesday, May 7, 2019**
- Grant Review: Tuesday, June 18, 2019
- Grant Start Date: After June 19, 2019

Click Here to watch the Fellowship Grant Writing Webinar

LRAC Organization Grants

LRAC 2019 Fall Grant Round Preview

Now's the time to start planning for your next round of grant application. Check out the deadline dates for the Fall Grant Rounds.

**Fall Project Grants for Organizations**
- Grant Writing Webinar, Tuesday, July 30, 2019
- **Grant Deadline, Tuesday, September 10, 2019**
- Grant Review, Tuesday, October 15, 2019

**Fall Legacy Organization Grants**
- Grant Writing Webinar, Tuesday, August 20, 2019
- **Grant Deadline, Tuesday, October 1, 2019**
- Grant Review, Tuesday, November 19, 2019

Click Here to check out the FY20 Grant Calendar

Other Opportunities

**Minnesota State Arts Board**

**FY 2020 Artist Initiative**

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.

There is one more deadline for the FY 2020 Artist Initiative grant application, depending on the discipline:
- **Visual Arts: Friday, June 28, 2019**

**MSAB Artist Initiative Grant**

**FY 2020 Folk and Traditional Arts**

The Folk and Traditional Arts grant program is designed to enrich Minnesota communities through folk and traditional art forms being passed on, documented, practiced, and shared.
Folk and traditional arts refer to artistic traditions that come from and are rooted in the cultural life of a community. Community members may share a common ethnicity, geographic or regional identity, occupation, language, or tribal affiliation. Folk and traditional arts are learned and passed on through community based systems of training and education where younger generations learn and attain mastery of a form by observation and practice or through apprenticeships with elders and masters.

- **Deadline is Friday, May 17, 2019**

**MSAB Folk and Traditional Arts**

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**Time is Running Out.**

**McKnight Fellowship Opportunities**

**Northern Clay Center**

The McKnight Artist Residency for Ceramic Artists program, in its 22nd year at NCC, intends to recognize and support ceramic artists whose work demonstrates exceptional artistic merit, who have already proven their abilities, and are at a career stage that is beyond emerging. Up to three, 3-month residencies will be awarded in 2019, to take place during the 2020 calendar year, through a competitive application process. NCC will invite one or two other artists through a nominative process.

Each resident artist will receive a $6,000 award (for a three-month residency), studio space provided at no cost, and a glaze and firing allowance. During the residency, each artist will present a public lecture/workshop, for which he or she will receive an additional honorarium. At the culmination of the grant period, recipients will be featured in a catalogue and group exhibition at Northern Clay Center. The exhibition will travel to 3 – 5 sites around the state of Minnesota. Recipients are also required to submit a final report at the end of the grant period.

Deadline to apply is **Friday, May 24, 2019 at 5:00 pm**

Click Here for more information

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**Jerome Foundation**

**Textile Center Fiber Artist Grant**

Textile Center partners with Jerome Foundation in selecting emerging fiber artists based in Minnesota for individually designed project grants that inform and advance artistic development in the creation of new work. Together, Jerome Foundation and Textile Center support and celebrate the creative spirit of fiber artists and welcome applications from artists representing diverse cultural perspectives.

**Three $6,000 project grants will be awarded,** as well as additional professional
development opportunities at Textile Center for the winning applicants. The grant awards include exhibition planning and implementation, culminating with a final show of the artists’ new work during May and June, 2020.

Application Deadline: May 10, 2019, 11:59 pm

Click Here for more information

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