LRAC News Brief

Invitation to LRAC Annual Meeting.
Join us July 16 in Alexandria.

The public is invited to celebrate Lake Region Arts Council’s Annual banquet which will be held on Tuesday, July 16 at Grand Arbor, 4403 Pioneer Rd SE, Alexandria. This is the evening when we recognize our retiring board members, LRAC Fellowship recipients, Kristi Kuder and Raymond Rea, and celebrate the arts in the region.

The Board Meeting will take place at 5:00 pm. Social hour is from 5-6 pm, entertainment will be provided at 6 pm by the Quad Squad Improv group, presentation of Awards will follow a 6:30 pm dinner.

**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 10, 2019.**

Cultural and Heritage Events

41st Annual Art in the Park
Sunday, July 28, 2019
8:00 - 4:00 PM
Detroit Lakes City Park

Ecuadorian rhythms float over the water and through the oaks and pines. It’s not your typical Art in the Park music, but at Detroit Lakes it’s a perfect blend. Over 100 booths are set up under the shady trees in the park. You’ll find treasures of all sorts - from jewelry and pottery to furniture and fabric goods.

Absorb the rhythms of the music and smell the sweet mingle of water, woods and food. Rest with your treasures at a picnic table in the shade and enjoy lunch - pulled pork sandwiches, mini donuts, cheese curds, Oof da Tacos, ice cream - lots of mouth watering fare to choose from. Let the kids play on the swings.

If you have handcrafted items or delectable foods you’d like to add to the fun array of
booths, save this July event in your schedule. Download the artist application and ST19 to apply. For questions, call 218.847.9202.

Click here for more information

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**Featured Event**

**ART OF THE LAKES STUDIO TOUR**

A Free Studio Tour Across the Lakes Area

10:00 am Friday, July 19, 2019

to 3:00 pm Sunday, July 21, 2019

Considered to be the largest rural art crawl in the Midwest, the Art of the Lakes Studio Tour is a scenic, drive-yourself tour on curvy, hilly roads around lakes and through valleys with views that go for miles. Over 50 talented artists are tucked away in studios located on gravel roads scattered throughout Ottertail, 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 local artists who create the art. Stop in to the Art of the Lakes Gallery in Battle Lake to pick up a map to all the artists’ studios.

This event is free and open to the public.

Click here for Tour Information

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**Featured Artist**

**Raymond Rea: Filmmaker & Playwright**

This year’s recipient of the LRAC FY19 Fellowship Literary/Performance Arts Grant is filmmaker and playwright, Raymond Rea of Moorhead, Minnesota.

Rea started his artistic journey with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Film from San Francisco Arts Institute and continued his education with a Master of Fine Arts in Cinema, from San Francisco State University. His teaching career began in the Film Production and Film Studies Department at City College in San Francisco before joining the faculty at San Francisco State University. He is currently working at Minnesota State University, Moorhead as a FTM filmmaker and Professor of Film at the School of Media Arts & Design.

Rea’s Fellowship Project will be to create a film focusing on challenges faced by the LGBTQ population in rural communities.

Click here for Full Fellowship Announcement
LRAC Gallery Exhibits

Main Gallery

"Bring Her Home" Exhibit
Stolen Daughters of Turtle Island

Please be aware this exhibition has the potential to trigger trauma in our artists & audience.

On loan from All My Relations Arts Gallery in Minneapolis, MN

Exhibit dates: July 5 - September 27, 2019
Gallery hours, M-F, 9-5
137 S. Mill St., Fergus Falls, MN

Bring Her Home highlights the ongoing epidemic of missing and murdered indigenous women. It features original works by 16 visual artists from across the United States and many tribal nations.

In light of the local movement to stop sexual exploitation and the international #MMIW awareness campaign, Bring Her Home shares visual stories of the impacted women. Emerging curator and artist, Angela Two Stars, brings together these artists to reclaim the identities of missing and murdered indigenous women. Rather than reduce the issue to a statistic, she challenges us to honor the life of each indigenous woman as we would a sister, a wife, a mother, a best friend, a cousin, or a daughter.

Featuring new work from Shan Goshorn, Luzene Hill, Laura Youngbird, Kayeri Akweks, Hillary Kempenich, Chholing Taha, Cara Romero, and more.

“When Native women go missing, they are very likely to be dead,” according to Indian Country Today. The families are left feeling worried, scared, helpless, and resonate the plea: “We just want to know where she is. We just want to bring her home.” All My Relations Arts is asking you to respond to this plea.

LRAC Solo Gallery

Grace Clark: Photographer, Sculptor & Social Practice Artist

Exhibit dates: June 3 thru July 31, 2019
Gallery hours, M-F, 9-5
137 S. Mill St., Fergus Falls, MN

Grace Clark is an artist whose work explores conditions of the human experience, concepts of compartmentalization, how the built and natural worlds collide, idealization of objects, and emphasizes the endearing humor and irony within these spaces. She received her BFA with an emphasis in photography from Minnesota State University Moorhead. Grace has participated in an investigative life/art project focused on living and working throughout the country from within her hand-built teardrop camper. She is scheduled for an A-Z West residency, and has worked with the Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art.
LRAC Grant Announcements

LRAC 2019 Career Development Award

Seven Individuals were awarded Career Development Grant in May to pursue their artistic careers. A wide range of disciplines, from jazz to traditional music, from ceramic to encaustic visual arts, were funded this time around.

Click on the link below for the full announcement.

LRAC 2020 Grant Calendar/Changes

It's hard to believe that the new LRAC Grant Year is starting July 1, 2019.

IMPORTANT CHANGES:

- **5:00 pm deadline time**
  - Grant Deadlines will be at **5:00 pm**
- **Individual Grant Writing Webinars new week day**
  - Scheduled for **Thursdays** this year at 6:00 pm
- **Copy Feature for previous applications**
  - Returning applicants may copy previous grants
- **Streamline applications**
  - Drop down options to simplify the process

Watch for future updates on the new FY2020 Grant Guidelines coming in July 2019.

LRAC Individual Grants

LRAC 2020 Grants

Our New Year Starts July 1, 2019!

The first LRAC Grant will be the Artist Quick Start Grant, awarding six $750 grants to individuals in the LRAC region.

Open to all disciplines: dance, literary, performance, visual, and everything in between...

Artist Quick Start Grant will cover training, classes,
supplies, equipment, marketing, arts related travel and additional expenses.

What to know more? We are here to help you! Contact the LRAC office to make an appointment to talk "one to one" about your potential project. Your options are either an in person, a phone call or a GotoMeeting appointment.

Email LRAC at LRAC4@LRACgrants.org to set up your time!

First time applicants are encouraged to contact the LRAC office by July 15, 2019.

Or check out the Artist Quick Start Grant Writing Webinar

Important Dates:
- Grant Deadline: Tuesday, August 6, 2019, 5:00 pm
- Grant Review: Tuesday, September 17, 2019
- Grant Start Date: After October 17, 2019

Click for Artist Quick Start Grant Announcement

LRAC Organization Grants

LRAC Fall Project Grant Application Rolls out in July

Now's the time to start planning for your organization's next round of grant applications.

The LRAC Fall Project Grant will open up for application on Monday, July 15, 2019. Approximately $12,870 will be awarded.

- Apply for up to $3,000 per project with a 20% match.
- Multiple Project Grant Applications are acceptable.
- Open to Arts organization, Schools, Libraries, Museums, etc.

Join LRAC on Tuesday, July 30, 2019, 4:00 pm for the live webinar.
The webinar recording will be available on the LRAC4.org website after August 1, 2019.

Fall Project Grants for Organizations, $12,870 available
- Grant Writing Webinar, Tuesday, July 30, 2019
- Grant Deadline, Tuesday, September 10, 2019, 5:00 pm*
- Grant Review, Tuesday, October 15, 2019
- Grant Start Date, Wednesday, November 16, 2019*
* (New This Year)

Register for the Fall Project Grant Writing Webinar

Other Opportunities
Minnesota State Arts Board
FY 2020 Community Arts Education Support Grant

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.

The redesigned program builds on the foundation of the former Community Arts Schools and Conservatories grant program in order to foster a future where all Minnesotans have access to high quality, structured community arts education opportunities throughout their life spans.

- **Deadline: Friday, July 19, 2019**

MSAB Community Arts Education Support Grant

**FY 2020 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.

Grant Range is $10,000 - $100,000, The applicant may request up to 75 percent of the project costs; a 25 percent match is required.

- **Deadline is Friday, July 12, 2019**

MSAB Arts Tour Grant

**Northern Lights.mn**

**Art(ists) on the Verge (AOV11)**

*NOTE: The AOV11 program is significantly different from past years. Please review carefully.*

AOV11 is an intensive, mentor-based fellowship program for 4 Minnesota-based, emerging artists working experimentally at the intersection of art, technology, and digital culture with a focus on network-based practices that are interactive and/or participatory.

AOV11 will culminate with a temporary project in public space by each fellow, which will take place sometime during September – November 2020.

The 4 Fellows’ projects will not necessarily take place at the same time. Each will take place at a site to be determined, coordinated, and prepared by the Fellow with support from the Program Co-Directors. As part of this re-focusing of the program, there will not be a culminating AOV11 group gallery exhibition.

AOV is supported by the Jerome Foundation. Links to past AOV programs and fellows’ work can be found here.
Deadlines is Monday, July 29, 2019, 11:59 pm

Artists on the Verge Call for Submission

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.