April 2023

Announcing Spring Legacy Grant Reviews Dates

The Art of Hardanger 3-Day Workshop with Mary Williams

Art + Autism Workshop with Alatera McCann

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6A High School Exhibit

Hey! Where did the Grants section go?

Seeking Local Hawley Area Artists for Artists on Main Street program

Register for workshop:
April 15, 10 am - 1 pm at Hawley’s Historic Garrick Theatre

Open to anyone with a connection to Hawley (or surrounding area) who is interested in learning more about presenting their creative ideas to make Hawley’s downtown even better. Use the registration link below.

Lake Region Arts Council in partnership with West Central Initiative are happy to announce that the community of Hawley, Minnesota has been selected for their 2022-23 Artists on Main Street Program.

Over the course of one year, artists, creatives, culture bearers, and makers in the Hawley area will be support-ed to lead small projects addressing downtown Hawley’s past, present and future, with the goal of gathering people and building relationships, creating a sense of pride and possibility, and attracting visitors into the downtown.

During the program, Rethos and Springboard for the Arts staff will work closely with City leaders to develop arts-based approaches to community development, by providing training and technical assistance for local leaders, artists, and residents. Additionally, the City will receive project funding to support up to 10 small projects of $1000 each.

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Maxine Adams
Executive Director
Lake Region Arts Council

Click here to register for April 15th Artist Workshop
Announcing: Spring Legacy Grant Reviews Dates

Due to the large number of Spring Legacy applications there will be two grant review rounds.

#1 Spring Legacy Grant review • Tuesday, April 18, 6-9 pm
#2 Spring Legacy Grant review • Tuesday, April 25, 6-9 pm

All LRAC grant reviews are open to the public with the ability to attend in person at the LRAC offices or virtually. If the public wishes to attend virtually, a link will be available on the LRAC website homepage at https://lrac4.org/

The LRAC April business meeting will be held, Wed. April 26, 6:30-8 pm. Attendance only available virtually. A link will be available on the LRAC website homepage at https://lrac4.org/

Visit our website for virtual meeting link
Mary has been doing Hardanger for over thirty years after learning this artform from a group of ladies at the senior citizen’s center in Battle Lake. Hardanger embroidery is a simple form of “whitework embroidery” often used on linens, pillows, caps, and more. This form of hand embroidery uses counted thread, pulled thread, and drawn threadwork techniques to create geometric shapes and even pictures! Named after a region in southwest Norway, Hardanger is traditionally white thread on white linen or cloth; however, contemporary pieces often feature a myriad of colored threads and fabrics. It includes needle weaving sewn in the hand rather than a hoop.
Join our spring Art + Autism Workshop at the Plains Art Museum! We will come together to explore a gallery with hands-on activities, enjoy a snack, and create our own unique artwork we can take home with us.

These sessions are developed and instructed by Plains Art Museum Education Staff and Special Education professionals and are designed for families with children on with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Event is free but registration is required. Family in attendance should not register but are encouraged to attend. Alatera McCann, Community Programs Coordinator, will email the listed primary contact before the event date with a social story and welcome letter.

Parents/caregivers may request an orientation prior to the event. Contact amccann@plainsart.org to schedule.

Alatera McCann received her BFA in Art Education and Studio Art with an emphasis in Ceramics and Minor in Art History from Minnesota State University Moorhead.
Twin-Cities powerhouse Cate Fierro presents the timeless songs sung by Garland, Streisand & Gaga in all three A Star Is Born films complete with a 16 piece Stars Orchestra and Stars Dancers!

Cate Fierro has one of the strongest voices and magnetic personalities to hit the Twin Cities music scene.

Historic Holmes Theatre Presents:

3 Stars Born:
Songs by Garland, Streisand & Gaga with Cate Fierro

Starting her career as one of the lead singers in The Irresistibles, a soul R&B band led by legendary and award winning frontman, Mick Sterling, co-lead Katie Geady and Shalo Lee, she has continued to perform with Mick in many of his shows including EltonSongs and Born to Run, as well as producing and fronting her own shows.

Click here for Tickets
Annette Marchand is a studio artist, ceramics instructor and online art teacher. She was born in Harvey, ND and currently resides in Moorhead, MN. Annette attended college at Minnesota State University Moorhead (MSUM) where she received a Bachelor of Fine Art in painting and drawing (1994) and an Art Education Degree (2000). She went on to earn a Master’s Degree from UW Stout, WI (2013).

Annette completed a fine arts painting internship in Scotland in 1990 and participated in the MSUM Eurospring Program where she studied abroad at Oxford University followed by an arts and humanities tour of France, Italy, Germany, and Austria. This installed a deep appreciation and commitment to her calling as an artist.

From March 24 - May 5, 2023 Annette has an exhibit at the Rourke Art Museum in Moorhead titled “Intuitive Ideations”, inspired in part by the practice of meditation which has helped her tap into the subconscious and move beyond the constraints of conventional thinking or preconceived notions. “As a lifelong learner, I have discovered that failure is both my friend and foe, and without the ability to embrace it, I would not be where I am today. This body of work reflects my willingness to take risks and explore new and old ideas, giving birth to an abstract self-portrait of my creative life. Intuitive Ideation breaks free from utilitarian pottery. The work is altered and manipulated. This past year, I found myself inspired by a new ‘found object’ or mold with an exciting, deep wavy pattern coupled with a seamstress mannequin. A whole new exploration began. Intuitive Ideation ties together the art of spontaneity with years of research, practice, process, and technical knowhow.”

The “Intuitive Ideation” exhibit is funded in part by a LRAC Legacy & Cultural Heritage grant.

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Visual Artist and FY23 LRAC Artist Cohort Recipient

Click Here for Annette’s Website
The Lake Region Arts Council is proud to exhibit selected artwork from this year’s High School 6A Minnesota State Visual Arts Exhibition and Competition. This yearly competition showcases the best artwork from high school students throughout the state. Students compete at a regional and then state level. Entries are judged on the quality of the artwork and the student’s artist statement. Regional winners will go on to compete at the State 6A statewide competition.

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Hey! Where did the Grants section go?

Introducing our new monthly Grants Update newsletter!

This new format will allow us to better highlight the arts funding opportunities available to individual artists and organizations in our LRAC nine-county region. It will feature information on upcoming grant reviews, recent grants awarded, current and upcoming LRAC grants opportunities, and other local and state grants opportunities available to those in our region.

Keep an eye out for future Grants Update newsletters on the last Tuesday of every month!

Maxine Adams
LRAC Executive Director

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