September 2021 Arts Calendar

Created by Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council, for the 9-county area of southern Minnesota. Individuals can submit information for our calendar by emailing our office by the 15th of the preceding month.


*Sept. 1-10  Mary Walchuk’s “Then Sings My Soul: A Celebration in Color” Drawing Exhibit and Jacky Garlock’s Painting Exhibit. Held at Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. Gallery hours: Wed. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Thurs & Fri. 12 Noon-7 p.m. www.wasecaartcenter.org or (507) 835-1701.


Sept. 1-30  “Marian Anderson: Her Personal Collection” Exhibit highlighting many of Marian’s original works that her fine art prints have been made from. Held at Blue Earth County Historical Society, 415 E. Cherry St., Mankato. Hours: Tues.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. www.blueearthcountyhistory.com or (507) 345-5566.

Sept. 1-30  Kay Herbst Helms’ “Pity the Water” Photography and Word Exhibit. Held at Blue Earth County Historical Society Art Gallery, 415 E. Cherry St., Mankato. Hours: Tues.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. www.blueearthcountyhistory.com or (507) 345-5566.

*Sept. 1-April 30, 2022  The 2021 CityArt Walking Sculpture Tour artwork is installed in the city centers of Mankato and North Mankato. www.cityartmankato.com or (507) 388-1062.


*Sept. 2-4  Czech Heritage Club’s Exhibit featuring memorabilia of the Czech Republic. Held at the Arts & Heritage Center of Montgomery, 206 First St. N. Hours: Thurs. & Fri. 2-5 p.m. and Sat. 9 a.m.-12 Noon. (507) 364-8107 or www.artsandheritagecenter.org.

*Sept. 3-25  David Hyduke and Andrew Hellmund’s Sculpture Exhibit. Held at the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. Gallery hours: Wed.-Fri. 1-5 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sun. 1-5 p.m. (507) 931-3630 or www.artscentersp.org.

Sept. 4  Performance by the Czech Concertina Club. Contact the Heritage Center for the time. Held at the Arts & Heritage Center of Montgomery, (507) 364-8107 or www.artsandheritagecenter.org.
**Sept. 9** Music in the Park Series: BullyPulpit Bluegrass performing 5:30-7:30 p.m. Held at Wheeler Park, 402 Page Ave., North Mankato. Sponsored by the North Mankato Taylor Library, 1001 Belgrade Ave. [www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary](http://www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary) or (507) 345-5120.

**Sept. 9-10** 13th Annual Minnesota Shorts Play Festival, 7:30 p.m. each night. The festival features 12 different ten-minute plays, six each night, from across the state and country and two sets of four 1-minute plays. Tickets $10, available at [www.merelyplayers.com](http://www.merelyplayers.com). Held at Lincoln Community Center Theater, 110 Fulton St., Mankato. (507) 388-5483 or “Minnesota Shorts Play Festival” on Facebook.

**Sept. 9-26** “Carnegie Unhinged: Living Rhythms” Interactive Art Installation that is a celebration of nonverbal creativity. Sept. 18, 2-4 p.m., community sculpture build collaboration with Mankato Makerspace. Held at the Carnegie Art Center, 120 S. Broad St., Mankato. Gallery hours: Thurs. 1-7 p.m., Fri. 1-4 p.m. and Sat. 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Sept. 9-Oct. 30** Exhibit of works done by LeSueur County artists, artwork is owned by the LeSueur County Historical Society. Held at the Arts & Heritage Center of Montgomery, 206 First St. N. Hours: Thurs. & Fri. 2-5 p.m. and Sat. 9 a.m.-12 Noon. (507) 364-8107 or [www.artsandheritagecenter.org](http://www.artsandheritagecenter.org).

**Sept. 10** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music in the Kabaret, featuring Generation Gap performing popular music from the 60’s to the 90’s, 7-9:30 p.m., free. Food and beverages will be available. Held at the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**Sept. 10-Sept. 9** Gerry Tostenson’s Drawing Exhibit. (Reception, Sept. 10, 5 p.m.) Held at 4 Pillars Gallery, The Grand Center for Arts and Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. Gallery hours: Tues.-Sat. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Viewing also available in our Virtual Gallery at [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com). (507) 359-9222.

**Sept. 11** The Mankato Symphony Orchestra’s “Symphony on the Prairie” concert, 6 p.m., free. The concert will commemorate the 20th anniversary of 9/11 with many patriotic favorites. Held at Benson Park, 2000 Carlson Dr., North Mankato. Sponsored by the City of North Mankato and the Mankato Symphony Orchestra, [www.mankatosymphony.com](http://www.mankatosymphony.com). (507) 625-8880.

**Sept. 11** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture presents Table Salt Productions performing, 7-9 p.m. This performing group will share their musical, comedic, and theatrical talents with the audience in an entertaining performance. Contact the Grand for ticket pricing. Held at the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**Sept. 11** HermannFest 2021, including ethnic music beginning at 11:30 a.m. in Hermann Heights Park, 10 Monument St., New Ulm. Additional musical performances and fireworks will be held beginning at 6 p.m. in Harman Park, 101 N. Garden St., New Ulm. For a complete schedule go to: [www.hermannmonument.com](http://www.hermannmonument.com). (507) 359-8233.

**Sept. 11** Family Fun Day, 1-4 p.m., including outdoor interactive activities like make a puppet, paint a mural, and more. Indoor performance by Tricia and the Toonies at 2:30 p.m., with a unique blend of high-energy music, comedy, colorful puppets and lots of audience participation. Free admission all day. Held at the Red Rock Center for the Arts, 222 E. Blue Earth Ave., Fairmont. (507) 235-9262 or [www.redrockcenter.org](http://www.redrockcenter.org).

**Sept. 11** Original historical stories and skits with Bette Traxler and her troupe of entertainers, performances at 2:15, 3:30, and 4:45 p.m., held at the Rustic Farmer on Main, 209 1st St. S., Montgomery. You can also register in advance to experience two escape rooms. Register with Community Education at [www.tcu2905.us](http://www.tcu2905.us), adults...
$25, children 12 and under $15, held at the Revival on Main, 213 1st St. S., Montgomery. Events sponsored by the Arts & Heritage Center of Montgomery, 206 First St. N. (507) 364-8107 or www.artsandheritagecenter.org.

Sept. 11 Author Allen Eskens will read from his new novel, “The Stolen Hours”, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Held at the Blue Earth County Library, 100 E. Main St., Mankato. (507) 304-4001 or www.beclibrary.org.

*Sept. 11-12* 30th Annual Rock Bend Folk Festival in St. Peter. The festival features art by many local artisans and a variety of music including blues, folk, jazz, rock, etc. on two stages, in a family friendly setting. Free; Sept. 11 at 12 Noon-10 p.m. and Sept. 12 at 12 Noon-6 p.m. Food vendors are on site or bring your own food and beverages. Bring lawn chairs and blankets, no pets. Held at Minnesota Square Park, on Hwy 169, St. Peter. For a complete list of performers go to www.rockbend.org.


Sept. 13-Nov. 7 Art for All: The Swedish Experience in Mid-America Exhibit, co-organized with the Birger Sandzén Memorial Gallery in Lindsborg, Kansas. (Reception, Sept. 13, 7-9 p.m. and Nobel Conference Reception, Oct. 5, 3:30-5:30 p.m.) Held at the Hillstrom Museum of Art, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter. Free & open to the public. Gallery hours: 9 a.m.–4 p.m. weekdays and 1-5 p.m. weekends. (507) 933-7200 or www.gustavus.edu/finearts/hillstrom.

*Sept. 14* Community Common Ground Series including fun and educational conversations that take two seemingly unrelated topics, learn about them from local community experts, and then work together to find the common ground that connects them, 5:30-7:30 p.m. September’s event will feature the Minnesota Hip Hop Coalition and a presentation by Scott Hays, who raises hairy pigs. The event will be held virtually on Zoom. Sponsored by the Living Earth Center, 170 Good Counsel Dr., Mankato. (507) 389-4272 or www.livingearthcentermn.org.

Sept. 14 Film screening and discussion of “Spiderman: Into the Spider-Verse”, as part of the Animated Film Series, 6:30 p.m. Hosted by The New Ulm Film Society. Held at the New Ulm Public Library Meeting Room, 17 N. Broadway. (507) 359-8334 or www.newulmlibrary.org.

Sept. 15-19 “I Am A Camera” theater production, 7:30 p.m. each day. Adults $10, seniors over 65 and youth under 16 $9. Held at Andreas Theatre, MN State University, Mankato. (507) 389-6661 or www.mnsu.edu/theatre/

*Sept. 15-Nov. 5* Stitcher’s In Time, a Local Quilters Guild Exhibit and the Waseca Art Center Member Show. Held at Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. Gallery hours: Wed. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. and Thurs & Fri. 12 Noon-7 p.m. www.wasecaartcenter.org or (507) 835-1701.

Sept. 16 Good Thunder Reading Series featuring author Jaquira Diaz. Workshop, 10-11 a.m., at, Emy Frentz Arts Guild, 523 S. 2nd St., Mankato. Craft talk, 3-4 p.m., at Centennial Student Union Room 245, MN State University, Mankato. Reading, 7:30 p.m., at Centennial Student Union Room 245, MN State University, Mankato. Sponsored by MN State University, Mankato. (507) 389-5500 or http://gt.mnsu.edu/.

*Sept. 17* The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music in the Kabaret, featuring Betty and Ocho performing folk music, 7-9:30 p.m., free. Food and beverages will be available. Held at the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

*Sept. 17* “The Virtuosos” Concert by the La Grande Bande performing Baroque music with period instruments, 7:30 p.m. $5, available [www.lagrandebande.org/tickets](http://www.lagrandebande.org/tickets). Come early, at 6:30 p.m., with your ticket and enjoy a pre-concert talk with Michael Asmus as he discusses the musical selections for the concert. Watch the La Grande Bande prepare for the concert at a free open rehearsal at 3 p.m. Held at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 312 5th St., Gaylord. [www.lagrandebande.org](http://www.lagrandebande.org) or (507) 995-7086.

*Sept. 17* Fairmont Opera House presents “The Sweet ft. A Rising Force” performance, 7 p.m. Adults $50; seniors $40; students 14 and under $20; available at [www.fairmontoperahouse.com](http://www.fairmontoperahouse.com) or 1 hour prior to the show. Held at the Fairmont Opera House, 45 Downtown Plaza, (507) 238-4900 or [www.fairmontoperahouse.com](http://www.fairmontoperahouse.com).

*Sept. 17* Wacipi 2021, Mankato PowWow. Event hours: Fri. 4-10 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.-10 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. PowWow Grand Entry times: Fri. 7 p.m.; Sat. 1 p.m. & 7 p.m.; and Sun. 1 p.m. General Admission $7 for the whole weekend, seniors 60 and older and children 12 and under are free. Held at Land of Memories Park, 100 Amos Owen Lane, Mankato [www.mahkatowacipi.org](http://www.mahkatowacipi.org).


*Sept. 18* 34th Annual Waseca Marching Classic, parade at 12 Noon in downtown Waseca and includes competing High School Marching Bands, Floats, Royalty, Classic Car Cruise, and more. Field competition for H.S. Marching Bands, 5:15 p.m., fireworks after the awards ceremony, held at the Waseca High School football field, 1717 2nd St. NW. Advance purchase admission $5 or at the field $8 with a program. [www.wasecamarchingclassic.com](http://www.wasecamarchingclassic.com).

*Sept. 19* Adventures of Thin Man “The Case of the all-American Menace” Radio Show. The link to the virtual show will be posted online and will be available to view for 3 months. Donations will be accepted to view the show. Sponsored by the State Street Theater, 1 N. State St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9990 or [www.statetstreetnewulm.org](http://www.statetstreetnewulm.org).

*Sept. 19* Come hear the debut of the commissioned musical score and lyrics of the new “New Ulm Anthem” performed by the New Ulm Municipal Band and local choir members, 4 p.m., held at German Park, 200 N. German St., New Ulm. Sponsored by the New Ulm Chamber of Commerce. (507) 233-4300 or [www.newulm.com/chamber-of-commerce/](http://www.newulm.com/chamber-of-commerce/).

*Sept. 20-Oct. 20* Arlene Birt’s “Putting Data Into Context” Installation Exhibit featuring participant based art which uses data as a means of visual creativity. (Reception, Oct. 5, 5-7 p.m. and Artist Talk, Oct. 6, 6-8 p.m.) Held at the Schaefer Gallery, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter. Free & open to the public. Gallery hours: Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.–4 p.m. (507) 933-7200 or [www.gustavus.edu/finearts/hillstrom](http://www.gustavus.edu/finearts/hillstrom).

*Sept. 21* MN State University’s Minnesota Songwriters Showcase Concert by Erik Koskinen and Molly Maher, 7:30 p.m. In advance $10, at the door $12, held at Elias J. Halling Recital Hall, MN State University, Mankato. (507) 389-5549 or [www.mnsu.edu/music/events](http://www.mnsu.edu/music/events).
**Sept. 21** Author Metra Farrari will discuss her new book “All the Blues Come Through”, 6-7:30 p.m. Held at the North Mankato Police Annex Meeting Room, 1001 Belgrade Ave. Sponsored by North Mankato Taylor Library. (507) 345-5120 or www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary.

**Sept. 23** Music in the Park Series: Lost Walleye Orchestra performing 5:30-7:30 p.m. Held at Wheeler Park, 402 Page Ave., North Mankato. Sponsored by the North Mankato Taylor Library, 1001 Belgrade Ave. www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary or (507) 345-5120.

**Sept. 23-25 & Sept. 30-Oct. 3** “H.M.S. Pinafore” theater production, Sept. 23-30 & Oct. 1-2 at 7:30 p.m. and Oct. 2 & 3 at 2 p.m. Adults $24, seniors over 65 and youth under sixteen $21. Held at the Ted Paul Theatre, MN State University, Mankato. (507) 389-6661 or www.mnsu.edu/theatre/.

*Sept. 24* The Grand Center for Arts & Culture presents Open Mic Night with local artists performing, 7-9:30 p.m., free. Food and beverages will be available. Held at the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or www.thegrandnewulm.com.

*Sept. 25* Dibaajimowin: A Lifetime Collection of Indigenous Stories, History, and Cultural Practice Event, 4-8 p.m. The event will share the cultural practice of stories and storytelling while providing information on the history, culture, and community of the Ojibwe and Dakota people of Minnesota. Author Kade Ferris, an indigenous historian and researcher, will share his books about the Ojibwe, Cree, and Metis people. The event is free and open to the public. Held at Benson Park, 2000 Carlson Dr., North Mankato.

*Sept. 25* Fairmont Opera House presents “Ole and Lena Live” performances, 2 p.m. or 7 p.m. Adults $20; seniors $15; students 14 and under $10; available at www.fairmontoperahouse.com or 1 hour prior to the show. Held at the Fairmont Opera House, 45 Downtown Plaza, (507) 238-4900 or www.fairmontoperahouse.com.

**Sept. 25** Concert by Chevelle, doors open at 6:30 p.m., show at 7:30 p.m. Tickets $37.50-$47.50. Held at the Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center, 1 Civic Center Plaza, Mankato. Tickets available at the Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center Box Office, www.ticketmaster.com, or call 1-800-745-3000.

www.mayoclinichealthsystemeventcenter.com/events-and-tickets.


**Sept. 26** MN State University presents the Minnesota River Valley Wind Ensemble Concert, 3 p.m. General admission $9, K-12 students and children $7, held at Elias J. Halling Recital Hall, MN State University, Mankato. (507) 389-5549 or www.mnsu.edu/music/events.

**Sept. 30** The Mankato Symphony Orchestra will be featured in an online program hosted by the United Symphonies of America at 5:30 p.m. One orchestra from each state has been chosen to participate. Watch the Symphony’s website for the link to watch the program. Mankato Symphony Orchestra, www.mankatosymphony.com or (507) 625-8880.

**Sept. 30** Music in the Park Series: Nate Boots & The High Horses performing 5:30-7:30 p.m. Held at Wheeler Park, 402 Page Ave., North Mankato. Sponsored by the North Mankato Taylor Library, 1001 Belgrade Ave. www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary or (507) 345-5120.
*GSR Fine Art Festival*
The GSR Fine Art Festival in Mankato continues as a virtual gallery to purchase local artists’ work. Search their ShopART gallery at: [https://shopart.gsrfineartfestival.com](https://shopart.gsrfineartfestival.com)

Area Wineries have live musical entertainment on Friday and Saturday evenings. Please contact them for times and musicians.

Chankaska Creek Ranch and Winery, 1179 E. Pearl St., Kasota. [www.chankaskawines.com](http://www.chankaskawines.com) or (507) 931-0089.
Indian Island Winery, 18018 631st Ave., Janesville. [www.indianislandwinery.com](http://www.indianislandwinery.com) or (507) 234-6222.
Morgan Creek Vineyards, 23707 478th Ave., New Ulm. (507) 947-3547 or [www.morgancreckvineyards.com](http://www.morgancreckvineyards.com).
Next Chapter Winery, 16945 320th St., New Prague. (612) 756-3012 or [www.nextchapterwinery.com](http://www.nextchapterwinery.com).

**Youth Opportunities/Classes**

**Sept. 7** Make and Take Art Class, 4:30-6 p.m. Grades K-3, $10. Students will use elements of art and principles of design to complete a project to take home. This month is “Rainbow Tree” creating a multi-color fall tree with drawing and special color mixing. Registration required with Waseca Community Education at [https://waseca.ce.eleyo.com/](http://https://waseca.ce.eleyo.com/). Meets first Tuesday of the month. Held at the Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. (507) 835-1701 or [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org).

**Sept. 7** Club Picasso Class, 4:30-6 p.m. Grades 4-6, $10. Students will use elements of art and principles of design to complete a project to take home. This month is “Folk Art Landscapes.” Registration required with Waseca Community Education at [https://waseca.ce.eleyo.com/](http://https://waseca.ce.eleyo.com/). Meets first Tuesday of the month. Held at the Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. (507) 835-1701 or [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org).

**Sept. 18** Children's Learn to Paint Class with instructor Rhonda Johnson. 10 a.m.-12 Noon. Grades Kindergarten+, $25. Children will be taught step-by-step painting technique. Registration required. Held at the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. [www.thegrandnewulm.com](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com) or (507) 359-9222.

**Adult Opportunities/Classes**

**Sept. 1** GSR Fine Art Festival Applications. The GSR Fine Art Festival is a juried exhibition held at the Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center in Mankato. Applications are now being accepted through Sept. 1. All sales from the festival go directly to the artists. Accepted artists will also be included in the online gallery, ShopART, [https://shopart.gsrfineartfestival.com/](https://shopart.gsrfineartfestival.com/). Festival dates are Nov. 27-28, 2021. For more information contact (507) 351-5008 or [www.gsrfineartfestival.com](http://www.gsrfineartfestival.com).

**Sept. 1** Holiday Market Applications. The Holiday Market is a multi-week event at the Arts Center of Saint Peter for artists to sell their work, Oct. 13-Dec. 23. Different artistic mediums will be featured different weeks. Go to [https://www.artscentersp.org/home/holiday-market/](https://www.artscentersp.org/home/holiday-market/) for more information and to download the application, return it to the Arts Center in person, by mail, or by email. Sponsored by the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. (507) 931-3630 or [www.artscentersp.org](http://www.artscentersp.org).

**Sept. 1 & 15** Needlework Group, self-directed time to work on projects including quilting, embroidery, crochet, knitting, etc. 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., meets the first and third Wednesdays of the month. Bring your own supplies. Held at the New Ulm Public Library Meeting Room, 17 N. Broadway. (507) 359-8334 or [www.newulmmn.gov/363/Library](http://www.newulmmn.gov/363/Library).

**Sept. 3-24** Intro to Fusion Belly Dance Class, Fridays, 6-7 p.m. Learn shimmies with variations, hip and chest circles with variations, figure 8 movements with variations, arm pathways, and simple traveling steps. We will begin with the easy movements and progress from there, so you can relax and enjoy learning this captivating art

**Sept. 11** Colored Pencil Workshop with instructor Gerry Tostenson, 1 p.m. Gerry will give an in-depth look at the use of colored pencils as a fine arts medium. Held at the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. www.thegrandnewulm.com or (507) 359-9222.

**Sept. 13** Poetry Group, each participant is encouraged to read aloud two or three poems, of their own or by others, and discuss them. 6:30 p.m. Held at the New Ulm Public Library Meeting Room, 17 N. Broadway. (507) 359-8334 or www.newulmlibrary.org.

**Sept. 13-Oct. 4** Scandinavian Knitting Motifs Class. Mondays, 6-8 p.m. Learn how to knit your own traditional Scandinavian motifs. Learn how to work with multiple strands of color, follow motif patterns, and design your own motifs in the Fair Isle style. Provide your own supplies. Basic knitting skills are required. $40, classes will be held as Zoom Meetings. Register at www.artscentersp.org/classes/. Sponsored by the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. (507) 931-3630 or www.artscentersp.org.

**Sept. 14-Oct. 26** Somali Dress Sewing Class. Tuesdays, up to 6 Somali participants will be included. Sept. 14, 12 noon-6 p.m. The class will meet in the St. Peter Community Center parking lot. A city of St. Peter van will take participants to SR Harris Fabrics in Brooklyn Park. Seamstress and instructor Kay Brandt will help each person pick out enough fabric for one dress. Bring your own food and beverages. Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2-4 p.m., Kay Brandt and Ann Rosenquist Fee will guide participants through basic machine sewing and using a pattern. Participants will make one dress with the fabric purchased from SR Harris Fabrics. The Arts Center sewing studio has limited space and equipment, so plan to take turns with machines and other equipment. Cost is free, but registration is required. Held at the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. (507) 931-3630 or www.artscentersp.org. Sponsored by the Saint Peter Public Library. (507) 934-7420.

**Sept. 16-Oct. 7** Living the Writing Life: Writing Down the Bones Class. Two sessions available on Thursdays, 11 a.m.-12 noon or 6-7 p.m. We will read Natalie Goldberg’s book “Writing Down the Bones; Freeing the Writer Within”, then use it to get back to the basics of generative writing, revision, and the habit of showing up to the page. Tips and tricks for firing up your writing mind will be shared. $40, participants can join in-person or virtually via Zoom. Register at www.artscentersp.org/classes/. Sponsored by the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. (507) 931-3630 or www.artscentersp.org.

**Sept. 16** Painting with Rhonda Class for teens and adults with disabilities, 6:15-7:30 p.m. Classes are free; however registration is required via call, text, email or website and class size is limited to 35 participants. The in-person class will be held outside at the New Ulm Community Center lower level parking area, 600 N. German St. For more information contact Adaptive Recreational Services Coordinator Karrie Borchert, (507) 217-0383, arsnu@newulmtel.net, or www.nuars.org.

**Sept. 18** Introduction to Spinning Class. 1-4 p.m. Start with raw sheep’s wool and go home with a freshly hand-spun ball of yarn. Learn to clean, card, spin, and ply wool into fiber you can use for weaving, knitting, crocheting, or other projects. The Arts Center will provide spinning tools and raw fiber. $20, classes will be in-person, masked and distanced. Register at www.artscentersp.org/classes/. Held at the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. (507) 931-3630 or www.artscentersp.org.

**Sept. 18** Telling True Stories: A Memoir Writing Workshop with instructor Rachael Hanel, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Try your hand at writing exercises to spark your memory and tell your history. Space is limited, so please call 507-304-4002 to reserve your place. Held at the Blue Earth County Library, 100 E. Main St., Mankato. (507) 304-4001 or www.beclibrary.org.
**Sept. 22-Oct. 13** Introduction to Weaving on a Table Loom Class. Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m. Learn basic weaving skills by exploring a variety of twill structures while experimenting with texture. Learn to operate a loom and the terminology to create a solid foundation of weaving knowledge. You will create a weaving sampler that can serve as a wall hanging or a helpful reference for future projects. The Arts Center will provide looms and fiber materials in advance. $40, classes will be held as Zoom Meetings. Register at www.artscentersp.org/classes/. Sponsored by the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. (507) 931-3630 or www.artscentersp.org.

**Sept. 24** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents Open Mic Night for local musicians, 7-9:30 p.m., held at the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or www.thegrandnewulm.com.

**Sept. Singing Hills Chorus Fall Session Registration.** Rehearsals for the "Hearts & Harmony" fall season will be held from Thursday, Sept. 9-Dec. 9, 9:30-11:30 a.m., including a half hour social time. Fee: $25.00 per person. The chorus is accepting registrations for "singing duets", a person living with Alzheimer's or a related dementia and a care partner (family or friend). The fall concert will be held on December 11. Held at School Sisters of Notre Dame, 170 Good Counsel Drive, Mankato. Visit www.singinghillschorus.org for more information.

**Sept. Art Appreciation Group**, meets every Wednesday, except holidays, 10 a.m.-12 Noon. This group works on different techniques and learns new things from each other. Every week is different. Sign up at the Waseca Art Center or online at www.wasecaartcenter.org. Free for Art Center members or $35 per session for non-members. Held at Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. (507) 835-1701 or www.wasecaartcenter.org.

**Sept. Call for Artists.** Do you have an idea for an exhibit at the Red Rock Center for the Arts? Solo and group shows welcome. Visit https://www.redrockcenter.org/current-and-upcoming-exhibits.html or call the Red Rock Center to submit a 2022 Exhibition Proposal today! www.redrockcenter.org or (507) 235-9262.

**Mankato Makers Space** is offering art classes in ceramics, leather, glass work, metal sculpture, woodworking and more. Classes may have limited numbers of participants. Visit their website to view the list of classes offered. Held at the Mankato Makerspace, 1700 3rd Ave. (507) 514-2921 or www.mankatomakerspace.org.

**The Grand Center for Arts and Culture** in New Ulm has an opportunity for artists, historians, and makers in all disciplines to curate a bi-monthly exhibit in “The Smallest Museum in Minnesota”. The museum cabinet is 31.75” wide, 32.75” high and 7.5” deep. The museum is located outside The Grand’s front entrance and can be visited anytime at 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. Find more information at www.thegrandnewulm.com/smallest-museum-in-mn.

**Grant Opportunities**

**Sept. 17 MCAD – Jerome Foundation Fellowship Deadline.** This program, administered by the Minneapolis College of Art and Design (MCAD), is made possible by the support of the Jerome Foundation. The goal of this fellowship program is to support visual artists in Minnesota, early in their careers, with 2-10 years of generative experience, creating bold, innovative, and risk-taking new work that challenges conventional artistic forms. Four fellowships of $10,000 each will be awarded. For more information contact (612) 874-3667, gallery@mcad.edu, or https://mcad.submittable.com/submit.

**Oct. 1 Minnesota State Arts Board Creative Support for Organizations Deadline.** This program is flexible support for Minnesota arts organizations and for non-arts organizations that regularly offer arts programming as an integral part of their missions. It is meant to help rebuild, reimagine, and continue to adapt arts programming in response to the changing environment caused by the global pandemic. This grant program is intended to help
Minnesota organizations maintain the long-term viability of their arts programming so that Minnesota residents and communities will maintain access and connection to the arts. Grant range: $5,000-$25,000. Application deadline: Oct. 1 at 4:30 p.m. For more information contact (800) 866-2787 or CreativeSupport-Organizations@arts.state.mn.us. For a link to the online application go to the MN State Arts Board website: www.arts.state.mn.us.

**Oct. 18 Forecast Public Art Grant Deadlines.** Forecast Public Art is offering four different grant programs to support Minnesota artists looking to advance their work in public art. All programs have a deadline of Oct. 18. Grants available are: Mid-Career Project Grant, five $10,000 grants will be awarded; Mid-Career Professional Development Grant, two $5,000 grants will be awarded; Early-Career Artist Project Grant, two $8,000 grants will be awarded; and Early-Career Artist Research and Development Grant, four $2,500 grants will be awarded. For more information contact (651) 641-1128 or https://forecastpublicart.org/artist-support-2-2/mid-career-project-grant/. There will be two virtual information sessions offered via Zoom: Sept. 1 from 6-7 p.m. and Sept. 12 from 3-4 p.m. Contact info@forecastpublicart.org to register and to receive the Zoom link.

**Oct. 29 Minnesota State Arts Board and Arts Midwest American Rescue Plan Grant Deadline.** American Rescue Plan Grants will help small and midsized Minnesota nonprofit arts organizations and arts affiliates support costs related to their employees or contractors, facilities, health and safety, and marketing or promotion. These will be flexible operating grants that can be used to help organizations sustain their people and programming, rebuild, and reopen from COVID-19. Approximately 65 grants of $15,000 each, will be awarded. Grants will be distributed proportionally based on population, to organizations in each of Minnesota’s eleven arts regions. Application deadline: Oct. 29 at 4:30 p.m. For more information contact (800) 866-2787 or richard.hitchler@arts.state.mn.us. For a link to the online application go to http://www.arts.state.mn.us/grants/arp.htm.

**Artist Resources**

*Springboard for the Arts Work of Art: Business Skills for Artists* is a professional development curriculum designed to teach business skills to artists in all disciplines: visual, performing and literary arts. Artists can take the whole series, customized combinations, or individual workshops that best suit their needs, and the curriculum is available for people interested in leading the workshops and offering professional development resources.

*Springboard offers The Work of Art Toolkit; available for Free as a digital download.*

Read a brief description of all Work of Art: Business Skills for Artists topics and find upcoming Work of Art workshops, panels, classes or events on their website https://springboardforthearts.org/professional-growth/work-of-art-program/

**Non-Profit Art Centers**

*Arts & Heritage Center of Montgomery*, 206 B. First St. Various events and monthly exhibits. Gallery Hours: Thurs. & Fri. 2-5 p.m. and Sat. 9 a.m.-12 Noon. www.artsandheritagecenter.org or (507) 364-8107.

*Arts Center of Saint Peter*, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. Monthly exhibits, an extensive variety of children, youth, and adult art classes and clay classes are offered at www.artscentersp.org/classes. Register for all classes at wwwstpetercommunityedonline.com or www.artscentersp.org/classes/. Gallery hours: Tues. & Wed. 1-6 p.m., Thurs. 1-8 p.m., Fri. & Sun. 1-5 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Contact (507) 931-3630, info@artscentersp.org or www.artscentersp.org.

*Carnegie Art Center*, 120 S. Broad St., Mankato. Artist studios, monthly exhibits and a unique Gift Shop featuring original art work by local artists. Wheelchair accessible. The Carnegie is closed one week each month
for gallery installation. artctr@hickorytech.net, (507) 625-2730, or www.thecarnegiemankato.com.

**Emy Frentz Arts Guild Gallery, (Temporarily Closed)** 523 S. Second St., Mankato. Artist studios and gallery space. (507) 779-7206, emyfrentzartsguild@gmail.com.

**Mankato Makerspace.** 1700 3rd Ave., Mankato. They offer art classes in ceramics, leather, glass work, metal sculpture, woodworking and more. Visit their website to view the list of classes offered. (507) 514-2921 or www.mankatomakerspace.org.

**Red Rock Center for the Arts,** 222 E. Blue Earth Ave., Fairmont. Hours: Tues., Wed. & Fri. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Thurs. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and evenings & weekends by appointment. Monthly art exhibitions, artist receptions, workshops, various events for all ages and ballroom dances. www.redrockcenter.org, (507) 235-9262, or info@redrockcenter.org.

**The 410 Project.** 523 S. Front St., Mankato. Monthly exhibits. Gallery hours: Wed.-Sat. 2-6 p.m. the410project@hotmail.com or www.the410project.com.

**The Grand Center for Arts & Culture,** 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. Music will be scheduled in-person as possible and virtually, promoted via our web site and social media. Gallery shows held monthly, with virtual slideshows online. Gallery and gift shop hours: Tues.-Fri. 12 Noon-5 p.m., office hours Tues.–Fri. 10-4 p.m. The Smallest Museum in MN display case is located outside. Artist studios available for rent on third floor of The Grand. www.thegrandnewulm.com, (507) 359-9222, or grand@thegrandnewulm.com.

**Waseca Art Center,** 200 N. State Street. Monthly exhibits, educational programs, and weekly art appreciation discussions. Gallery hours: Wed. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Thurs.-Fri. 12 Noon–7 p.m. (507) 835-1701, info@wasecaartcenter.org or www.wasecaartcenter.org.

**College Galleries**

**Bethany Lutheran College,** 700 Luther Dr., Mankato. Monthly art exhibits are held at Ylvisaker Fine Arts Center. Gallery hours are Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-9 p.m. and Saturday & Sunday 1-8 p.m. www.blc.edu/art-exhibits.

**Conkling Art Gallery,** 139 Nelson Hall, MN State University, Mankato. Monthly exhibits are on display. Gallery hours: Mon. through Fri., 9 a.m.-4 p.m. (507) 389-6412 or www.mnsu.edu/artdept.

**Hillstrom Museum of Art,** 800 W. College Ave., Gustavus Adolphus, College, St. Peter. Events are free and open to the public. Hours: weekdays 9 a.m.-4 p.m. and weekends 1-5 p.m. (507) 933-7200 or www.gustavus.edu/finearts/hillstrom/.

**South Central College Lookout Gallery,** Room C167, 1920 Lee Blvd., North Mankato. Gallery hours: Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m. To inquire about displaying artwork, email: michelle.johnson@southcentral.edu.

**Student Union Gallery,** lower level of the Centennial Student Union, MN State University, Mankato. Gallery hours: Mon.-Fri. 6:30 a.m. to Midnight, Sat. 8 a.m. to Midnight, and Sun. 10 a.m. to Midnight.