September 2022 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 Music in the Park Series: Matt & Laurel performing 5:30-7:30 p.m. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Held at Wheeler Park, 402 Page Ave., North Mankato. Sponsored by the North Mankato Taylor Library.

www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary or (507) 345-5120.

Sept. 1 Gallery Reception for the Zambian Sunday School Illustrations, 7 p.m. Held at the Ylvisaker Fine Arts Center Gallery, Bethany Lutheran College, 700 Luther Drive, Mankato. Gallery hours: Sun.-Thurs. 1-9 p.m. and Fri. & Sat. 1-8 p.m. (507) 344-7000 or www.blc.edu.

*Sept. 1-2 Marcedes D. Hayunga’s Exhibit in the Beckmann Gallery and Al Volbright’s Exhibit in the Great Hall Gallery. Held at Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N. Gallery hours: Tues. & Wed. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and Thurs & Fri. 12 Noon-5 p.m. www.wasecaartcenter.org or (507) 835-1701.

Sept. 1-10 Edson Rosas and Sam Brown’s “Wonkist” Exhibition of Prints and Paintings. Held at The 410 Project, 523 S. Front St., Mankato. Gallery hours: Wed.-Sat. 2-6 p.m. www.the410project.com.


Sept. 1-16 Dana Sikkila’s Exhibition of new work. (Reception, Sept. 14, 5:30-6:30 p.m.) Held at Centennial Student Union Gallery, MN State University, Mankato. Gallery hours: Mon.-Fri. 6:30 a.m. to 12 Midnight, Sat. 8 a.m. to 12 Midnight, and Sun. 10 a.m. to 12 Midnight. (507) 389-6767 or https://hss.mnsu.edu/academic-programs/art/galleries/current-season/.

Sept. 1-23 “On Board” Exhibit featuring work created by and sponsored by the new Carnegie Art Center board Members. (Reception, Sept. 9, 6-9 p.m.) 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. (507) 625-2730 or www.thecarnegiemankato.com.

Sept. 1-23 “Prints Against the Present” Exhibit by J. Leigh Garcia, Emmy Lingscheit, Kill Joy, Valerie Lueth, and Kathryn Polk. (Sept. 14, Panel Talk from 6:30-8 p.m. and Reception from 8-9 p.m.) Held at Conkling Gallery, Dept. of Art, MN State University, Mankato. Gallery hours: Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. (507) 389-6412 or https://hss.mnsu.edu/academic-programs/art/galleries/current-season/.

Sept. 1-24 Tom Miller’s Wildlife Exhibit. 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. 1-April 2023*  The 2022 CityArt Walking Sculpture Tour artwork is installed in the city centers of Mankato and North Mankato.  [www.cityartmankato.com](http://www.cityartmankato.com) or (507) 388-1062.

*Sept. 2-24*  Chad Elliot’s Exhibit of new work. 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](http://www.artscentersp.org).

Sept. 3-30  Historical Apron Art window displays featuring apron art from around the world and USA states souvenir aprons of the 1950's, sponsored by “Joys and Tears in the Apron Strings”, Yvonne Cory of Easton.  Held at the Truman Historical Museum, 109 W. Ciro St., Truman. Hours: Fridays 1-4 p.m. (507) 327-5357.

*Sept. 6*  Henderson Music on Main Concert by The 2 of Us performing classic rock, country, and blues music, 5-8 p.m.  Held in conjunction with the Classic Car Roll In. Held outdoors in the Evolution Shirts Parking Lot, 307 Main St., Henderson.  Sponsored by the Henderson Lions Club, (507) 380-7789.

*Sept. 6-Oct. 7*  Annual Member Show, held at Waseca Art Center, 200 State St. N.  Gallery hours: Tues. & Wed. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and Thurs & Fri. 12 Noon-5 p.m.  [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org) or (507) 835-1701.

Sept. 8  Music in the Park Series: Murphy Brothers performing 5:30-7:30 p.m. Bring a lawn chair or blanket.  Held at Wheeler Park, 402 Page Ave., North Mankato.  Sponsored by the North Mankato Taylor Library.  [www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary](http://www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary) or (507) 345-5120.

*Sept. 8-9*  14th Annual Minnesota Shorts Play Festival, 7 p.m. each night. The same plays will be performed both nights, featuring six short plays and four 1-minute plays. Tickets $10, available at [www.merelyplayers.com](http://www.merelyplayers.com).  Held at Mankato West High School, 1351 S. Riverfront Dr., Mankato. (507) 388-5483 or “Minnesota Shorts Play Festival” on Facebook.

Sept. 9  New Ulm Sings, community vocal soloist competition, 7 p.m.  Winners will be selected to represent New Ulm at the Minnesota Sings competition Oct. 1-2. Held at the State Street Theater, 1 N. State St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9990 or [www.statetstreetnewulm.org](http://www.statetstreetnewulm.org).

*Sept. 10*  The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music, featuring Crista Bohlmann performing rock, country, folk, and bluegrass music, 7-9 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](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

*Sept. 10*  HermannFest 2022, 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. 10*  Town celebration including The Usual Suspects performing blues, country, folk, and bluegrass music, 1-5 p.m. Held at Veterans Park, at 1st St. and State Hwy. 5. (507) 326-3901 or “City of Green Isle” on Facebook.

Sept. 10  The Mankato Symphony Orchestra’s “Symphony on the Prairie” concert, 6 p.m., free. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and enjoy popular tunes in a beautiful outdoor setting. 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. 10 Comedy Night with Ali Sultan, Tommy Ryman, and C. Wili Myles, 7 p.m. Tickets: adults $25, seniors $20, youth $5, Veterans/Active Duty $12.50, available online at https://fairmontoperahouse.org/tickets/. Held at the Fairmont Opera House, 45 Downtown Plaza, (507) 238-4900 or www.fairmontoperahouse.org.

Sept. 10 Author Katie Roiger will talk about the author life, what inspires her to write, and her new, debut middle-grade novel, “Only The Brave”, 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. 10 Poetry Explore & Share, 5-7 p.m. Spend an hour creating individual and group poetry through prompts and word games. Spend the next hour sharing seasoned and fresh poems with poet Laureate Esther Marcella Hoffmann. Held at the Living Earth Center, Big Red Barn, 170 Good Counsel Dr., Mankato. (507) 389-4272 or www.livingearthcentermn.org.

*Sept. 10-11* 32st Annual Rock Bend Folk Festival in St. Peter. The festival features a variety of music including blues, folk, jazz, rock, etc. on two stages and art booths by many local artisans, in a family friendly setting. Free; Sept. 10 at 12 Noon-10 p.m. and Sept. 11 at 12 Noon-7 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. 11* The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music, featuring The Isles Ensemble performing chamber music, 3-4:30 p.m., Members $7, non-members $10. 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. 13* Henderson Music on Main Concert by Dirt Roads Band performing classic rock music, 5-8 p.m. Held in conjunction with the Classic Car Roll In. Held outdoors in the Evolution Shirts Parking Lot, 307 Main St., Henderson. Sponsored by the Henderson Lions Club, (507) 380-7789.

Sept. 13 Film screening and discussion of a film as part of the “Clint Eastwood Directs 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.newulmnm.gov/363/Library.

Sept. 14 Galactic Cowboy Orchestra performing rock and jazz music, 7 p.m. Tickets: adults $25, seniors $20, youth $5, Veterans/Active Duty $12.50, available online at https://fairmontoperahouse.org/tickets/. Held at the Fairmont Opera House, 45 Downtown Plaza, (507) 238-4900 or www.fairmontoperahouse.org.

*Sept. 15* “Sonatas from Bohemia & Poland” Concert by the La Grande Bande performing Baroque and Romantic era music with period instruments, 7:30 p.m. Tickets: Season pass for 4 concerts $32. Individual concert tickets in advance $10, students $5, available at www.lagrandebande.org/tickets, at the door $15. 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. A free open rehearsal time will be announced. Held at First Lutheran Church, 1114 W. Traverse Rd., St. Peter. www.lagrandebande.org or (507) 995-7086.

Sept. 15 The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents the Art House Film Series, featuring the biopic “The Motorcycle Diaries”, 7-9:30 p.m., free. Popcorn will be served. Held at the Grand Kabaret, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9222 or www.thegrandnewulm.com.


Sept. 15 Concert by Cody Johnson with special guests Randy Houser and Corey Kent, doors open at 6:30 p.m.,
show at 7:30 p.m. Tickets $43-$128. Held at the Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center Arena, 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

*Sept. 16* The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music, featuring Chris Holm performing blues music, 7-9 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. 16 Concert by Alma Andina, combing traditional instruments from South America with Latin rhythms such as Cumbia, Salsa, Guajira, Reggaeton, and Reggae, 7 p.m. Tickets in advance $12, at the door $15, students $6. Held at the Red Rock Center for the Arts, 222 E. Blue Earth Ave., Fairmont. (507) 235-9262 or www.redrockcenter.org.

*Sept. 16-18* Wacipi 2022, 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.

Sept. 16-Oct. 1 Wade Davis’ Exhibition of art works. (Reception, Sept. 16, 7-9 p.m.) Held at The 410 Project, 523 S. Front St., Mankato. Gallery hours: Wed.-Sat. 2-6 p.m. www.the410project.com.

*Sept. 17* 35th Annual Waseca Marching Classic, parade at 12 Noon in downtown Waseca and includes competing High School Marching Bands, classic car cruise, dignitaries, royalty, and more. Field competition for H.S. Marching Bands, 5:30 p.m., fireworks after the awards ceremony. Pre-sale admission wristbands available at Waseca businesses $7 or day of the show $10. Held at the Waseca High School football field, 1717 2nd St. NW. www.wasecamarchingclassic.com.

*Sept. 17* “Uniting Cultures” Multi-Cultural Fiesta, 3-10 p.m. Share cultures with food vendors, exhibitors, children’s activities, music, and dancers. Held at the city owned parking lot next to the Princess Theater, 505 1st Ave S, St James. (507) 375-5450 or “Uniting Cultures” on Facebook.

Sept. 17 Celebrating at the Arts and Heritage Center. 9-11:30 a.m. reception for Sandy Gilhousen to thank her for her years of service. 9 a.m.-12 Noon meet artist Tom Miller and view his wildlife exhibit on display. 10 a.m. presentation by author Barbara Marshak of New Prague. She will be discussing her novel “Painted Skies”. 10:30 a.m. introducing the names of the dancing topiaries. 11 a.m. Sister Anita Smisek will present “Minnesota’s Big Woods Musicians”, a narrative on the rich tradition of the music in the culture and life of the people who emigrated from South Bohemia. Held at the Arts & Heritage Center of Montgomery, 206 First St. N. (507) 364-8107 or www.artsandheritagecenter.org.


Sept. 19-Nov. 6 A trio of focused exhibits from the Vilcek Foundation in New York City featuring Ralston Crawford’s “Torn Signs”, Oscar Bluemner’s “Sonnet Series”, and “Stuart Davies in Black and White”. (Nobel Conference Reception, Sept. 28, 4-6 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. 20* Henderson Music on Main Concert by Charlie More performing polka and old-time music, 5-8 p.m. Held in conjunction with the Classic Car Roll In. Held outdoors in the Evolution Shirts Parking Lot, 307 Main St., Henderson. Sponsored by the Henderson Lions Club, (507) 380-7789.

**Sept. 20** 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 p.m. The event will feature poetry with Poet Laureate Esther Marcella Hoffmann and pottery with Dustin Swiers from Mankato Makersapce. Held at the Living Earth Center, Big Red Barn, 170 Good Counsel Dr., Mankato. (507) 389-4272 or www.livingearthcentermn.org.

*Sept. 21-24* “In the Next Room” theater production, 7:30 p.m. each day. Adults $10, seniors over 65 and youth under $9. Held at Andreas Theatre, MN State University, Mankato. (507) 389-6661 or www.mnsu.edu/theatre/.

**Sept. 22** Music in the Park Series: Rain Kings performing 5:30-7:30 p.m. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Held at Wheeler Park, 402 Page Ave., North Mankato. Sponsored by the North Mankato Taylor Library. www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary or (507) 345-5120.

*Sept. 23* Concert by the Minnesota “Over-60” Band, 7 p.m. Held at the Watonwan County Library, 125 5th St. S., St. James. (507) 375-1278.

*Sept. 23* The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music, featuring Lonesome Dan Kase performing blues and folk music, 7-9 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. 23-24** The Bacontown Throwdown, a two night band competition. **Sept. 23**, bands will have 12 minutes to perform, and the winner will perform the next night with the headliners, 7 p.m. Tickets: adults $20, seniors $15, student & Veterans/Active Duty $10, under age 10 $5. **Sept. 24**, concert by A Rising Force, Fuzzrd, and the winning band performing rock music, 7 p.m. Tickets: adults $30, seniors $20, youth $10, Veterans/Active Duty $15. Tickets for both nights available online at https://fairmontoperahouse.org/tickets/. Held at the Fairmont Opera House, 45 Downtown Plaza, (507) 238-4900 or www.fairmontoperahouse.org.

**Sept. 23-25** “Theatre Physics,” an all-original production by Bethany theatre faculty and students. Sept. 23 at 7 & 9 p.m.; Sept. 24 at 7 & 9 p.m., and Sept. 25 at 2 p.m. Held at Bethany Lutheran College, Ylvisaker Fine Arts Center, 700 Luther Dr., Mankato. Call box office for tickets at (507) 344-7374. www.blc.edu.

**Sept. 23-Oct. 9** “The Thin Place” theater performances. Sept. 23-24, Sept. 30-Oct. 1 & Oct, 7-8 at 7:30 p.m.; Sept. 25, Oct. 2 & 9 at 2 p.m. General admission tickets $15, $20 or $25. There are a specific number of tickets at each price point; $15 are sold first, then $20, then $25, shop early for best price. This production is recommended for ages 16 and up. Held at DalekoArts, 110 E. Main St., New Prague. (952) 314-9077 or www.dalekoarts.com.

*Sept. 23-Oct. 21* Kay Herbst Helms’ Exhibit. (Reception, Sept. 23, 6:30 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 online in the virtual gallery. (507) 359-9222 or www.thegrandnewulm.com.
**Sept. 24** Performance by the Wild Goose Chase Cloggers, 7 p.m. Held at the Waseca Central Building Auditorium, 501 E. Elm Ave. Sponsored by the Waseca Art Center. [www.wasecaartcenter.org](http://www.wasecaartcenter.org) or (507) 835-1701.


**Sept. 25** 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](http://www.mnsu.edu/music/events).

**Sept. 27** MN State University, Mankato, Performance Series Concert by Two Girls & A Boyd featuring Mary Jane Alm, 7:30 p.m. Tickets $10. 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. 27** Henderson Music on Main Concert by Margo Kemp-Johnson performing folk music, 5-8 p.m. Held in conjunction with the Classic Car Roll In. Held outdoors in the Evolution Shirts Parking Lot, 307 Main St., Henderson. Sponsored by the Henderson Lions Club, (507) 380-7789.

**Sept. 29** Music in the Park Series: DW3 performing 5:30-7:30 p.m. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Held at Wheeler Park, 402 Page Ave., North Mankato. Sponsored by the North Mankato Taylor Library. [www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary](http://www.northmankato.com/taylorlibrary) or (507) 345-5120.

**Sept. 29** Recital by the Armstrong Boulevard Brass Quintet performing pieces by the classical composer Edvard Grieg, 7 p.m. 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. 29-Oct. 1 & Oct. 6-9** “Disney’s High School Musical” theater production, Sept. 29-Oct. 1 & Oct. 6-8 at 7:30 p.m. and Oct. 8 & 9 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/](http://www.mnsu.edu/theatre/).

**Sept. 29-Nov. 5** Day of the Dead Exhibit. 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. 30** The Grand Center for Arts & Culture of New Ulm presents live music, featuring Nathan Griner performing folk, country, blues, and rock music, 7-9 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](http://www.thegrandnewulm.com).

**ShopART Midwest**
ShopART Midwest is a non-commission online gallery that connects Midwest artists to buyers. This is a service by Twin Rivers Council for the Arts to support local culture makers and to make it easier to anyone to have access to handmade art. Search their ShopART gallery at: [www.shopartmidwest.com](http://www.shopartmidwest.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.
Youth Opportunities/Classes

**Sept. 6**  **Little Rembrandts 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 will be watercolor botanical prints. Registration required at [https://waseca.ce.eleyo.com](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. 6**  **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 will be drawing using shading techniques. Registration required at [https://waseca.ce.eleyo.com](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. 6**  **Teen Tuesday**, 4 p.m. Grades 6-12. Class to focus on fun as we explore art and crafts. Registration is required. 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. 7**  **Cassatt Society Class**, 4:30-6 p.m. Grades 7-12, $10. Students will use elements of art and principles of design to complete a project to take home. Meets first Wednesday 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. 8**  **Creative Kids**, 3:30 p.m. Grades K-1. Class to focus on fun as we explore art, crafts, and STEM projects. Registration is required. 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. 8**  **Level Up: Electronic Music**, 4 p.m., ages 7-12. Try out wild new electronic instruments, including digital drums, piano gloves, Drawdio pencils, Q-Chords, Otamatones, and more. Registration required. Held at the LeCenter Public Library, 10 W. Tyron St. (507) 357-6792.

**Sept. 9**  **Compete in New Ulm Sings**, a community vocal soloist competition with two age groups, ages 13-20 and 21+, 7 p.m. Winners will be selected to represent New Ulm at the Minnesota Sings competition Oct. 1-2. Registration forms can be obtained by emailing [info@statestreetnewulm.org](mailto:info@statestreetnewulm.org). Held at the State Street Theater, 1 N. State St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9990 or [www.statestreetnewulm.org](http://www.statestreetnewulm.org).

**Sept. 13**  **Craft Club**, 4:30-6 p.m. Grades K-8, $10. Come in and have a fun time creating an assortment of crafts. This month will be creating different types of puppets. Registration required at [https://waseca.ce.eleyo.com](https://waseca.ce.eleyo.com). Meets second 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. 17**  **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 techniques while also being given the freedom to make the artwork their own. 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.

**Sept. 18-19**  **Broadway Teen Auditions** for “Chicago, Teen Edition”, 5 p.m. each night, for grades 9-12. Please bring sheet music for a song you have already learned. Mankato Playhouse will provide a pianist at auditions to accompany you. Performances will be held Nov. 4-13 at the Mankato Playhouse. Contact Davori Productions for more information, (507) 317-1245, [info@davoriproductions.com](mailto:info@davoriproductions.com), or [www.mankatoplayhouse.com](http://www.mankatoplayhouse.com).

Sept. 22  Wacky Wonders, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Grades 2-5. Class to focus on fun as we explore art, crafts, and STEM projects. Registration is required. Held at the New Ulm Public Library Meeting Room, 17 N. Broadway. (507) 359-8334 or www.newulmmn.gov/363/Library.

Sept. 24  Taste of Makerspace. Class Sampler “Speed Round” style, 6-9 p.m. Come try glass, lathe, screen printing, leather, children’s crafts, painting, 3D print, and more. Pre-sale tickets only, adults $30 and children 14 and under $15. Held at the Mankato Makerspace, 1700 3rd Ave. (507) 514-2921 or www.mankatomakerspace.org.

**Adult Opportunities/Classes**

**Sept. 7 & 21  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.

Sept. 9  Attention Music Teachers: The Minnesota Valley Music Teachers Association will host refreshments and their business meeting at 9 a.m. Program runs 9:30-11 a.m. Annual membership $30, guests can attend a meeting free of charge. This month is a fall welcome with time to socialize and share about the upcoming teaching year. Held at Emy Frentz Arts Guild, 523 S. 2nd St., Mankato. (507) 514-3970 or www.mvmta.com.

Sept. 9  Compete in New Ulm Sings, a community vocal soloist competition with two age groups, ages 13-20 and 21+, 7 p.m. Winners will be selected to represent New Ulm at the Minnesota Sings competition Oct. 1-2. Registration forms can be obtained by emailing info@statestreetnewulm.org. Held at the State Street Theater, 1 N. State St., New Ulm. (507) 359-9990 or www.statestreetnewulm.org.

*Sept. 10  Adult Linoleum Block Caving & Printing Class* with instructor Sarah Huttner. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., $40. This is an introduction to linoleum block printing, using your own drawings or designs. Learn how to transfer your drawing or artwork to the block, carve, and print it. Registration required. Held at the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. www.thegrandnewulm.com or (507) 359-9222.


Sept. 12  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.newulmmnlibrary.org.

Sept. 12  Memoir Writing Group. Bring your own writing or a topic to write about and be a part of a group to keep you inspired and sharing your stories, 10-11:30 a.m. Held at the New Ulm Public Library Meeting Room, 17 N. Broadway. (507) 359-8334 or www.newulmmn.gov/363/Library.

Sept. 14-Nov. 16  Art Group, self-directed time for artists of all levels and abilities to join this adults-only group. Each artist should bring his/her own materials and ideas. All materials must be non-odorous. 2-5:30 p.m., meets every Wednesday. Held at the New Ulm Public Library Meeting Room, 17 N. Broadway. (507) 359-8334 or www.newulmmn.gov/363/Library.
**Sept. 24** Bob Ross Painting Class, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m., $60. Paint along with Bob Ross instructor Dennis Neidt and create a Bob Ross style painting. Registration required at 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.

**Sept. 24-25** Creating a Barn Quilt Class, Sept. 24 at 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and Sept. 25 at 1-5 p.m. Participants will choose a quilt pattern and learn how to enlarge their chosen pattern on a primed piece of 2’ x 2’ board, using paint colors of their choice. $75, materials included. Held at the Grand Center for Arts & Culture, 210 N. Minnesota St., New Ulm. www.thegrandnewulm.com or (507) 359-9222.

**Sept. 24** Taste of Makerspace. Class Sampler “Speed Round” style, 6-9 p.m. Come try glass, lathe, screen printing, leather, children’s crafts, painting, 3D print, and more. Pre-sale tickets only, adults $30 and children 14 and under $15. Held at the Mankato Makerspace, 1700 3rd Ave. (507) 514-2921 or www.mankatomakerspace.org.

**Sept. 28** Open Knitting. 4th Wednesday each month, 1:30-3:30 p.m. Bring your projects, make progress, and make new connections with fellow knitters. Held at the Arts Center of Saint Peter, 315 S. Minnesota Ave. (507) 931-3630 or www.artscentersp.org.

**Sept.** Art for All Open Studio. The space has art supplies for the public to use. Wed., Thurs, and Fri. 2-7 p.m. and Sat. 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Held at Sidetracked, 420 Park Lane, Mankato. sidetrackedmankato@gmail.com

**Adaptive Recreational Services** offers a monthly “Painting with Rhonda Class” for teens and adults with disabilities, 6:15-7:30 p.m. Classes are free; however registration is required. There will be some canvases available for painting at home. For more information contact Adaptive Recreational Services Coordinator Karrie Borchert, (507) 217-0383, arsnu@newulmtel.net, or www.nuars.org.

**Mankato MakersSpace** 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. 1** **PLRAC Artist Development Grant Deadline.** This $2,000 project grant provides financial support to artists committed to advancing their work and careers. Artists at all stages of development are eligible. Artists may expand their present work, advance in skill or technique, or move in a new direction Prairie Lakes serves the 9-county region that includes Blue Earth, Brown, Faribault, Le Sueur, Martin, Nicollet, Sibley, Waseca and Watonwan Counties. Application deadline is Sept. 1. Guidelines can be downloaded from our website: www.plrac.org, along with a link to the online grant application. (507) 833-8721, (800) 298-1254, or prrac@hickorytech.net.

**Sept. 9** **Minnesota State Arts Board Creative Support for Organizations Deadline.** This program provides support to help organizations deliver arts programming and meaningfully engage their communities in a time of transition. Grant range: $5,000-$30,000. Application deadline: Sept. 9 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.
**Sept. 16  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. $12,000 fellowships will be awarded. For more information contact (612) 874-3667, gallery@mcad.edu, or https://mcad.submittable.com/submit.

**Oct. 3  Metro Regional Arts Council Artist Futures Deadline.** Artists’ Futures provides resources directly to artists and culture bearers of African, Afro-Latinx, Afro-Caribbean, Latinx, Chicano, Asian/Pacific Islander, and SWANA (South West Asian and North African) descent residing in the 7-county metropolitan area (Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington counties), and artists who are Native American/American Indian/Native Alaskan residing in Minnesota and the 11 Tribal nations that share the same geography. This program provides financial support of $35,000 to individual artists along with additional resources and support. Artists’ Futures is a professional development, skill building and networking cohort for artists working in any artistic discipline at any stage in their career. Application deadline: Oct. 3. For more information contact (651) 523-6381 or jovan@mrac.org. For a link to the online application go to MRAC’s website: https://mrac.org/grants/artists-futures/.

**Oct. 24  McKnight Fiber Artist Fellowship Deadline.** The McKnight Fiber Artist Fellowships are administered by the Textile Center in partnership with the McKnight Foundation. It is intended to recognize and support talented Minnesota fiber and textile artists whose work is of exceptional artistic merit. These fellowships are in support of individual artists who are at a career stage beyond emerging. Two $25,000 Fellowships will be awarded. Info sessions will be held Sept. 6, 6 p.m., via Zoom and Sept. 21, 6 p.m., in-person. For more information go to https://textilecentermn.org/2023mcknightappinfo/ or contact tkrumm@textilecentermn.org or (612) 436-0464.

**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 www.stpetercommunityedonline.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.

**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 website 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 a.m.-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: Tues. & Wed. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and Thurs.-Fri. 12 Noon–5 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 12 Midnight, Sat. 8 a.m. to 12 Midnight, and Sun. 10 a.m. to 12 Midnight.

**Community Theaters**

**Curtain Call Theatre**, (507) 744-8497, www.curtaincalltheatre.net. Performances are held in different LeSueur County locations.


**Springfield Community Theatre**, (507) 723-6315, go to “Springfield Community Theatre, Springfield, MN” on Facebook. Performances are held at the Springfield High School, 12 Burns Ave.

**State Street Theater Company**, (507) 359-9990, info@statestreetnewulm.org, www.statestreetnewulm.org. Performances at their building, 1 N. State St., New Ulm.