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[Youth Art Month](#) | Governor Tony Evers

[Music, Art, Dance, and Theatre in Our Schools Month](#) | State Superintendent Jill Underly

The Wisconsin Arts News is on break next week due to the Quarterly Arts Board Meeting and the Wisconsin Governor’ Conference on Tourism.
The next edition will be on Monday, March 23, 2026.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“To make life a little better for people less fortunate than you, that’s what I think a meaningful life is. One lives not just for oneself but for one’s community.” – Ruth Bader Ginsburg

“All human beings are also dream beings. Dreaming ties all mankind together.” – Jack Kerouac

“Imagination is more important than knowledge. For knowledge is limited, whereas imagination embraces the entire world, stimulating progress, giving birth to evolution.” – Albert Einstein

“A play is fiction — and fiction is fact distilled into truth.” – Edward Albee

“Life would be tragic if it weren’t funny. ... My expectations were reduced to zero when I was 21. Everything since then has been a bonus.” – Stephen Hawking

VIDEO OF THE DAY

[Antigo Visual Arts: Turning Recycled Plastic into Masterpieces at the Public Library](#)
WAOW

[GWML: Music in Education w/JACK TELL](#)
Grace Weber's Music Lab | Radio Milwaukee

[Trombone Shorty pens love letter to jazz music: "I can't imagine life without it"](#)
CBS Mornings

[Kacey Musgraves: Tiny Desk Concert From The Archives](#)
NPR Music

[Harry Styles - Everybody Wants To Rule The World \(Tears For Fears cover\) in the Live Lounge](#)
BBCRadio1VEVO

Wisconsin artists and arts organizations, do you have video that you'd like us to consider sharing as the Wisconsin Arts News Video of the Day? Send the link to artsboard@wisconsin.gov!

TOP WISCONSIN NEWS

FROM THE WISCONSIN ARTS BOARD

NEW [Spotlighting Wisconsin | Prairie Music & Arts, Inc](#)
Wisconsin Arts Board

NEW [WI Arts & Creativity Newsletter: Vol 4, Issue 7 | March 2026](#)
Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction

[Public Funding for the Arts in the Midwest: 2026 by the Numbers](#)
Arts Midwest

[Free resources available to Wisconsin residents to host America@250 Community Conversations](#)
PBS Wisconsin

[Museum Registration for 2026 Blue Star Museums Program](#)
National Endowment for the Arts

[Social Prescription is Coming to Wisconsin](#)
Wisconsin Arts Board

Tuesday, March 17, 2026 | 12:00–1:00 PM CST | For Higher Education Leaders

- [Event Flyer](#)
- Link to register:
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_uP8W3mZ1TGGeM7PUpmkyXA#/registration

Wednesday, March 18, 2026 | 12:00–1:00 PM CST | For Healthcare & Clinical Partners

- [Event Flyer](#)
- Link to register:
https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/U1_ZC8jqSPuOx0PXR_hlQ#/registration

Thursday, March 19, 2026 | 12:00–1:00 PM CST | For Creative & Community-Based Organizations

- [Event Flyer](#)
- Link to register:
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_KG71QNKZTMaCXOFXb34x-g#/registration

[Second Lady Usha Vance Announces Bookmark Design Challenge to Celebrate America's 250th Anniversary](#)

National Endowment for the Arts

Deadline: March 31

[2025-2027 Wisconsin Poet Laureate Project](#)

Wisconsin Poet Laureate Commission

NEA + NEH + IMLS + NPR, PBS, CPB Updates may be found [HERE](#).

[Arts Board Panelist Open Call](#)

Wisconsin Arts Board

[Opportunity Attraction Fund](#)

Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation | WEDC

[Arts & Culture Accessibility Self-Assessment](#)

Open Door Arts

NEW [NCN Articles of Interest | March 13, 2026](#)

National Creativity Network

Job Opportunities

[Patron Services & Ticket Coordinator](#)

Milwaukee Ballet

Deadline: March 31

NEW Patron Services Manager

Next Act Theatre

Deadline: Until Filled

Production Positions Available

Peninsula Players

Deadline: Until Filled

Scenic Charge Artist

Write On, Door County Searches for Next Executive Director

Spano | Pratt Executive Search

Deadline: Until Filled

Vice President, Marketing & Communications

Marcus Performing Arts Center

Deadline: Until Filled

Interior Architecture & Design Faculty (Full-Time)

Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design

Deadline: Until Filled

Current Opportunities

First Stage

Deadline: Until Filled

Summer Academy Lead Teaching Artist (Playmakers, Grades 1-2)

Summer Academy Lead Teaching Artist (Voice & Speech, Grades 3-4)

Summer Academy Lead Teaching Artist (Scene Study, Grades 3-4)

Summer Academy Lead Teaching Artist (Design, Grades 5-12)

Summer Academy Lead Teaching Artist (Acting Theory, Grades 5-12)

Summer Academy Lead Teaching Artist (Musical Theater, Grades 5-12)

Summer Academy Lead Teaching Artist (Voice & Movement, Grades 5-12)

Fundraising Director

ARTS for ALL Wisconsin

Deadline: Until Filled

General Manager

Barrymore Theatre

Deadline: Until Filled

Development Coordinator

Opera for the Young

Deadline: Until Filled

Communications and Operations Manager
Strategic National Arts Alumni Project
Deadline: Until Filled

For more Job Opportunities, click [HERE](#).

NEW 2026 Congressional Art Competition Deadlines

Office of Congressman Bryan Steil
1st Congressional District of Wisconsin
Deadline: April 8

Office of Congressman Mark Pocan
2nd Congressional District of Wisconsin
Deadline: TBD

Office of Congressman Derrick Van Orden
3rd Congressional District of Wisconsin
Deadline: March 23 at 4:00 PM

Office of Congressperson Gwen Moore
4th Congressional District of Wisconsin
Deadline: March 27

Office of Congressman Scott Fitzgerald
5th Congressional District of Wisconsin
Deadline: April 10 at 5:00 PM

Office of Congressman Glenn Grothman
6th Congressional District of Wisconsin
Deadline: April 14

Office of Congressman Tom Tiffany
7th Congressional District of Wisconsin
Deadline: April 10 at 5:00 PM

Office of Congressman Tony Wied
8th Congressional District of Wisconsin
Deadline: April 7 at 5:00 PM

Deadlines | Resources | Events

SXSW EDU 2026
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Through March 12

World Premiere Wisconsin: A yearlong, statewide celebration of new plays and musicals returns in 2026!

World Premiere Wisconsin
Through December 31

[America's Invitation | Share Your Story](#)
America 250
Deadline: Before July 4, 2026

[We're Back with Another Capacity Building Webinar Series](#)
Creative West
Through September 8, 2026

[Brick by Brick | WIGCOT 2026](#)
Travel Wisconsin
March 15 – 17 | Milwaukee

[Grants Are Back! | Spring 2026 Grant Round](#)
Wisconsin Humanities
Deadline: March 16

[FY27 Folk Arts Apprenticeship Program Now Open](#)
Wisconsin Arts Board
Deadline: March 19

NEW [Virtual Advocacy Summit](#)
Educational Theatre Association
March 24, 26, 28

[Telling Our Story: 2026 National Arts in Education Conference](#)
Young Audiences Arts for Learning
March 25 – 27 | Washington DC

[The Art of Prescribing: Advancing Arts-Based Pathways to Health](#)
Social Prescribing USA
March 26 | Free Webinar

In recognition of Social Prescribing Day 2026, which is March 26, 2026.

[Travel Wisconsin's Here's to Those Who Wisconsin Campaign Webinar - Summer 2026](#)
Travel Wisconsin
March 26

[Advocacy Summit](#)
Educational Theatre Association
March 26 – 27 | Washington, D.C.

NEW [Healing & Internal Resourcing in Times of Unrest](#)
Arts Midwest
March 31 | Webinar

2026 ABLE Assembly

Berklee Institute for Accessible Arts Education

April 10 – 12 | Boston, MA

Wisconsin Screenwriters' Symposium and Screenplay Contest

UW-Madison

April 10 – 12 | Wisconsin Screenwriters' Symposium

Also

WSOC 2026 Quarter Finalists

Wisconsin Screenwriters Own Contest

NEW Amplify & Ignite: A Symposium on Theatre For Social and Civic Engagement

American Alliance for Theatre & Education

April 16 – 19 | New York City, NY

Business of Art Conference V

Dane Arts

April 23 – 24 | Madison

2026 WVCA Conference

Wisconsin Volunteers Coordinators Association

May 6 - 8

Super Early Bird Registration is Now Open!

American Alliance of Museums

Through January 16 | Super Early Bird Registration

May 20 - 23 | Philadelphia

2026 AAAE Conference

Association of Arts Administration Educators

May 28 – 31 | 2026, Boston, MA

Shape the future. Organize for Impact

AFTACON 2026, Americans for the Arts

June 2 – 5 | Albuquerque, NM

2026 National PTA Convention

National PTA

June 18 – 21 | Pittsburgh, PA

International Thespian Festival

Educational Theatre Association

June 21 – 26 | Bloomington, IN

NEA FY 2027 Grants for Arts Projects Guidelines Now Available

National Endowment for the Arts

Deadlines: July 9

Theatre Education Conference
Educational Theatre Association
July 22 – 24 | New York City, NY

NEW AATE 2026 National Conference
American Alliance for Theatre & Education
July 29 – August 1 | Greenville, SC

NEW 2026 LEAD Conference
Leadership Exchange in Arts and Disability
August 11 – 14 | Philadelphia, PA

NEW 2026 Annual Conference
Chamber Music America
August 20 – 23

2026 Biennial NAfME Music Research and Teacher Education Conference
National Association for Music Education
September 30 – October 3 | Long Beach, CA

Capacity Building Webinar Series
Creative West
Various

Online Workshops and Conversations
Creative Capital
Various

Webinars
Performing Arts Readiness
Various

Springboard for the Arts Calendar of Events
Springboard for the Arts
Various

Upcoming Events
Access/VSA International Network
Various

IN THE NEWS

Visual Arts/Museums

Photographer works with terminally ill pets to help them ‘live on past life’
Wisconsin Today | Wisconsin Public Radio

[Domes Project on Track for 2027 Groundbreaking](#)
Urban Milwaukee

[After Two Years of Decline, the Art Market Edges Back to Growth, Says 2026 Art Basel UBS Report](#)
ARTnews

[Masterpiece or cheap copy? Art historians and AI may not agree](#)
CNN

Arts and Healthcare

[Art as a Biological Bedrock of Shared Humanity](#)
Resonant Minds

[Gritty People Stick to One Thing. Creative People Change Their Minds.](#)
Creativity Decision | Zorana Ivcevic Pringle

Community Arts

[7 Places to Get Creative in La Crosse](#)
La Crosse Local

Literary Arts/Libraries

[WVLS adds new trustees and elects 2026 board officers](#)
Wausau Daily Herald

[George Bilgere | After Escher](#)
Poem-a-Day, Poets.org

Media Arts

[Gov. Evers celebrates film tax credit launch at Micon Cinema in Eau Claire](#)
WEAU

[\[PHOTOS\] COME GET WEIRD WITH US!](#)
Volume One Magazine

[Only Half of Americans Went to a Movie Theater in 2025, According to Pew Study](#)
Variety

Performing Arts

[Documenting Ephemera: Hard-Won Tips for Documenting Your Performance Work](#)
Arts Midwest

Music

[National artist's new album features a song about Lake Winnebago](#)
Green Bay Press-Gazette

Presenting

[DOJ settlement would end Live Nation deal with Milwaukee World Festival](#)
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

['Robbing them blind,' '\\$50 to park in grass': Live Nation trial reveals internal messages mocking ticket buyers. Read them here](#)
Fast Company

Theater/Opera

[Former funeral home set for new life as housing, workspace for Festival Theatre](#)
Osceola Sun

[Sophie McIntosh: Good Apples and Aspirations](#)
American Theatre

[Operationalizing the Art of Care: Lessons From Sundance](#)
American Theatre

Other

[The Philanthropy 50: The Annual Ranking of America's Biggest Donors](#)
The Chronicle of Philanthropy

Also
[The Philanthropy 50: Where the Top Donors Live and Give](#)
The Chronicle of Philanthropy

[The Philanthropy 50: Top Donors Reward Charities They Know Well](#)
The Chronicle of Philanthropy

[The Fundraising KPIs That Reveal Donor Attrition](#)
NonProfit Pro

WHEN YOU GO

For more event listings, please go to the new Wisconsin Events page on TravelWisconsin.com: <https://www.travelwisconsin.com/events>.

Visual Arts/Museums

[Cudahy pop-up exhibit imagines a world where artists run art markets](#)

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

March 28

Arts and Creativity in Education

[Events](#)

Peck School of the Arts | UWM

Various

[Events Calendar | Arts](#)

UW-Madison

Various

[Our Hive: Arts, Culture and Community Events](#)

UW-Superior

Various

Community Arts

[What to do in Madison this weekend: March 12-15, 2026](#)

Isthmus

Through March 15

[14 Things to Do in Milwaukee This Weekend: March 12-15](#)

Milwaukee Magazine

Through March 15

[Weekend Preview: March 13-15, 2026](#)

OnMilwaukee

March 13 – 15

[Irish blessings, mathematical pie and more this weekend](#)

Wisconsin State Journal

This Weekend

[St. Patrick's Day Parade Will March Through Downtown](#)

Urban Milwaukee

This Weekend

[Fitchburg Community calendar: March 13 - April 9](#)

Fitchburg Star

March 13 – April 9

[Arts](#)

Madison Magazine

Various

Calendar
Art Lit Lab
Various

Wausau Area Events
Wausau Pilot & Review
Various

Literary Arts/Libraries

Pi Day Pie Sale - Friends of the Mukwonago Community Library
Waukesha, WI Patch
March 14

Oshkosh bookstore hosts author visits and family story time
Oshkosh Northwestern
March 21

Marathon County Public Library programs, adults
Wausau Pilot & Review
Various

Performing Arts

Dance

Choreographers compete for a contract in Milwaukee Ballet's 'Genesis'
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel
March 13 – 15

Music

Milwaukee Symphony's 2026-'27 season will include a lot of Beethoven
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel
Season

Presenting

Music in the Park: Willy Porter
WI Department of Natural Resources
June 16

Theater/Opera

Forte Theatre Company presents the hit musical Mamma Mia!
Urban Milwaukee
April 11 – 19

OPPORTUNITIES

[CALLING ALL CREATIVES: Artist Market Of E.C. Opens 2026 Applications](#)

Volume One Magazine

Now Open

[March 2026 Opportunities: Open Calls, Residencies, and Grants for Artists](#)

Colossal

Deadlines: Various

[The Mary L. Nohl Suitcase Export Fund Opens 2026 Winter Cycle](#)

Lynden Sculpture Garden and the Greater Milwaukee Foundation

Deadline: Until the funds for the cycle are exhausted

[Residency Opportunities](#)

Artist Communities Alliance

Various

[Nonprofit Capacity Building Grant](#)

St. Croix Valley Foundation

Deadline: Rolling

[Boost Your Art Career With SVA Continuing Education Courses, Workshops, and Residencies](#)

Colossal

Various

[The Creative Collab | Bronzeville Artist-In-Residency Mentor Program](#)

Copywrite Magazine

Deadline: Rolling

[Public Art Conservation Fund Application and Guidelines](#)

City of Milwaukee Arts Board

Deadline: Rolling, as long as funds remain, in order they are received.

[America's Invitation | Share Your Story](#)

America 250

Deadline: Before July 4, 2026

[Springboard for the Arts Calendar of Events](#)

Springboard for the Arts

Various

[Are you raising impact capital for the creative economy?](#)

UpStart Co-Lab

Deadline: Open

[RJE Sprout Fund Invites Proposals From Artists Working With Underserved Communities](#)

PND by Candid

Deadline: Rolling

[Call for Artwork](#)

Northeast Wisconsin Technical College

Monthly Review

[Hardy Calls For Artists](#)

Door County Pulse

Submissions Open Through April 12

[2026 Spring Gallery Exhibition Call for Art](#)

Impressions Fine Art Gallery

Submission Deadline: March 13

[Driftless Area art festival announces call for artists for 2026 event](#)

Vernon Reporter

Submission Deadline: March 13

NEW [Call for Proposals](#)

2026 Play Make Learn Conference

Deadline Extended: March 13

[Get ready for a re-imagined fan-favorite exhibition](#)

Racine Art Museum

March 13, 14 | Drop-Off Submissions

No earlier than March 9 and no later than March 13 | Shipped Submissions

NEW ['Here's Lookin' At You, Kid': The E.C. Library Talent Showcase](#)

Volume One Magazine

Application Deadline: March 15

[In a State of IF | Open Call for Artists](#)

The Art of Infertility

Submission Deadline: March 15

[A Call for Submissions to the Madison Journal of Literary Criticism for the Spring 2026](#)

Autonomy Edition

Madison Journal of Literary Criticism

March 15 | Artwork submission deadline

[Wisconsin People & Ideas Fiction and Poetry Contests](#)

Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters

Deadline: March 15

Sauk Prairie Area Chamber of Commerce Issues Call for Artists for Gateway Mural Project
Sauk Prairie Area Chamber of Commerce
Deadline: March 15

Open Call for Artists | In a State of IF
The Art of Infertility
Submission Deadline: March 15

Mayor's Year of Housing: City of Milwaukee Launches Next Phase of Public Artist in Residence Program With Milwaukee Fire Department to Address Safe Housing
Urban Milwaukee, City of Milwaukee
RFP and RFQ deadline: March 16

Grants Are Back! | Spring 2026 Grant Round
Wisconsin Humanities
Deadline: March 16

CALL FOR ARTISTS | Makers' Gallery
Wisconsin Main Street
Submission Deadline: March 20

Pawditions: Open Dog Auditions
Skylight Music Theatre
March 21

2026 NFA: Individuals and Ensembles Meet the Moment Grant
National Association of Latino Arts and Cultures
Deadline : March 23

Interested applicants are encouraged to view a [recorded informational webinar](#) outlining the 2026: NFA Individuals and Ensembles Meet the Moment Grant guidelines, application and submission process.

Building Common Ground: Fieldwork
Building Common Ground
Deadline: March 27

Enter to Compete in Get the Gig
John Michael Kohler Arts Center
Deadline: March 27

NEW Dam Pottery Throwdown 2026
Art on the Town
Registration Deadline: March 27

NEW Summer 2026 Wisconsin STEAM Externship Program - Educator Application
WI Department of Public Instruction
Deadline: March 29

Second Lady Usha Vance Announces Bookmark Design Challenge to Celebrate America's 250th Anniversary

National Endowment for the Arts

Deadline: March 31

Moon Tunes returns for 15th year with summer lineup, design contest

Wisconsin State Journal

Submission Deadline: March 31

Green Bay Austin Straubel International Airport: Announces 3rd annual art exhibition celebrating America's 250th birthday

WisPolitics

Deadline: March 31

DNR Accepting Entries For Great Waters Photo Contest & Writing Project

Morning AgClips

Submission Deadline: April 1

Register Now For The Bob-Ross Inspired 'Happy Little 5K' In Wisconsin

B105 Country

Registration Deadline: April 1

Green Lake Plein Air Festival

Art MidWisconsin, Community Economic Development Associates, and Town Square Community Center

Registration Deadline: April 1

NEW 2027 Open Call

Creative Capital for Artists

Deadline: April 2

NEW Red Letter Grant Goes Bigger, Now Accepting Applications

Volume One Magazine

Deadline: April 6

Players Scholarship Applications Open

Door County Pulse

Deadline: April 6

Teens invited to enter Fond du Lac photo contest by April 10

Fond du Lac Reporter

Deadline: April 10

Preparations Begin for Second Annual Sheboygan Film Festival

Seehafernews.com

April 10 | Early Bird Submission Deadline

June 12 | Regular Deadline

July 17 | Late Deadline

The Chippewa Valley Blues Society Announces Local Musicians Compete for Chance to Represent Chippewa Valley in Memphis

Blues Festival Guide 2026

April 12

Miller Art Opens Applications for its 2026 Residency Program, Celebrates Program's Continued Growth

Miller Art Museum

Deadline: April 17

NEW 2026 Cycle of The Open Fund Artist Project Grant

The Open Fund

Deadline: April 30

Kenosha Sculpture Walk Seeks Artists and Sponsors for 2026–2028 Exhibit

The City of Kenosha

Deadline: April 30

Also

2026-2028 Sculpture Walk – HarborPark

Art Call

Deadline: April 30

Vilcek Foundation invites applications for grants to support nonprofits working with immigrants

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: April 30

IT'S TIME TO ROCK: Applications For Annual 'Rockonsin' Are Now Open!

Volume One Magazine

Deadline: April 30

Nominate a Colleague | AMM Awards

Association of Midwest Museums

Deadline: April 30

La Crosse County hosting art competition to celebrate La Crosse turning 175

WI Proud

Deadline: April 30

Call For Artists In Sister Bay

Door County Pulse

Deadline: May 1

Applications For 2027 Residencies Now Open

Write On, Door County

Deadline: May 1

Information sessions will be held [March 25](#) and [April 4](#).

NEW Green Lake Plein Air Festival

Town Square Community Center

May 14

Arrivals and Departures - CALL FOR ARTISTS

Heyde Center for the Arts

Entry Deadline: May 31

Volunteer at Artspire 2026

Pump House Regional Arts Center

June 12, 13

CALL FOR ARTISTS: The Community Mosaic Project

The Hardy Gallery

Deadline: June 21

NEA FY 2027 Grants for Arts Projects Guidelines Now Available

National Endowment for the Arts

Deadlines: July 9

DNR Now Accepting Artwork For The 2027 Turkey, Pheasant And Waterfowl Stamp

Contests

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

Deadline: August 1

Nordic Folk Arts & Cultural Traditions in the Upper Midwest

American-Scandinavian Foundation

Deadline: September 15

Beyond Words: the Dollar General School Library Relief Fund

Awards & Grants | American Library Association

Deadline: None. Monthly Review

Open Grant Solicitations

Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs | US Department of State

Various

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