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Wisconsin Arts Board

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“I’m of a fearsome mind to throw my arms around every living librarian who crosses my path, on behalf of the souls they never knew they saved.” – Barbara Kingsolver

“Art is not living. It is the use of living.” – Audre Lorde

“Popular culture is a contradiction in terms. If it’s popular, it’s not culture.” – Vivienne Westwood

“The present time has one advantage over every other - it is our own.” – Charles Caleb Colton

“If a cluttered desk is the sign of a cluttered mind, what is the significance of a clean desk?”
– Laurence J. Peter

VIDEO OF THE DAY

[Helping People with Memory Loss through Music: Stand in Light Memory Choir](#)
WEAU

[Feel Good Friday: La Crosse Area Heritage Center opens the Hmong Story Cloth exhibition](#)
WI Proud
Through June 29

[Evergreen Theater presents Dad's Season Tickets](#)
WeAreGreenBay.com
April 17, 19, 23

[Celebrating Women Leaders in Arts and Culture with Dr. Barbara-Shae Jackson](#)
SMU DataArts

[El Jibaro Feliz - William Cepeda Afro Puerto Rican Big Band Jazz Orchestra](#)
William Cepeda

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 [Former N.E.A. head makes the case for government funding of the arts](#)
All Things Considered | NPR

NEW [Opinion | Humanities Council head calls cuts a 'crisis for democracy'](#)
The Capital Times

Also

NEW [Humanities needed for Wisconsin communities' strength, growth](#)
Editorial Opinion | Wisconsin Humanities

[Humanities programs across Wisconsin are in peril after Trump axes funding](#)
Wisconsin Public Radio

URGENT [Save Wisconsin Humanities: Elimination of NEH Funding EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY](#)
Wisconsin Humanities

[Impending NEH cuts would put Wisconsin Humanities out of business, group says](#)
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

[Cultural groups across U.S. told that federal humanities grants are terminated](#)
Culture | NPR

[Standing United: Protecting America's Arts and Cultural Future](#)
Americans for the Arts

[DOGE Demands Deep Cuts at Humanities Endowment](#)
The New York Times

NEW [Gov. Evers: Statement on Suing the Trump Administration to Stop Cuts to Wisconsin Museums and Libraries](#)
Office of Governor Tony Evers

Also

NEW [Madison Public Library rallies for support amid funding uncertainty](#)
The Badger Herald

[States Challenge Trump's Effort to Dismantle Library Agency](#)
The New York Times

[Entire staff at federal agency that funds libraries and museums put on leave](#)
NPR

["Reading builds empathy": The case for saving America's libraries](#)
Commentary | Salon

[Agency funding libraries and museums puts all employees on leave ahead of major cuts](#)
Federal News Network

[Take Action to Save IMLS](#)
Americans for the Arts

[What's at Stake if Federal Funding for Museums and Libraries Disappears](#)
Arts Midwest

[Continuing the Reduction of the Federal Bureaucracy](#)
Presidential Action | The White House

[Act Now: Save the Institute of Museum and Library Services](#)
American Alliance of Museums

[ALA Response to White House Assault on IMLS](#)
American Library Association

NEW [Week One of Jazz and Poetry Month 2025](#)
Wisconsin Arts Board

NEW Wisconsin Arts and Creativity Newsletter | April, 2025 | Vol.3, Issue 8
Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction

4/2/25 The U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis reports that arts and cultural production accounts for 2.90% of the Wisconsin economy (\$12,439,989,000) and contributes 95,305 jobs.

Arts and Cultural Industries Grew at Twice the Rate of the U.S. Economy, Adding \$1.2 Trillion

National Endowment for the Arts

Also

Arts and Cultural Production Satellite Account, U.S. and States, 2023

Bureau of Economic Analysis, US Department of Commerce

The Wisconsin summary sheet may be found here:

<https://apps.bea.gov/data/special-topics/arts-and-culture/summary-sheets/Arts%20-%20Wisconsin.pdf>

Creative Economy State Profiles

National Assembly of State Arts Agencies

NEW Wisconsin Governor's Outdoor Industry Awards

Wisconsin Office of Outdoor Recreation

Nomination Deadline: April 27

Notice of Public Hearings

Joint Committee on Finance

April 28 | Hayward High School

April 29 | Northcentral Technical College, Wausau

NEW Jazz Month 2025 Playlist

Wisconsin Arts Board, YouTube

NEW What's Afoot Backstage - March 2025

Wisconsin Arts Board

Breaking News Updates Impacting the Arts & Culture

Americans for the Arts Action Fund

Riley Saenim is 2025's Wisconsin Poetry Out Loud Champion

Wisconsin Arts Board

Opportunity Attraction Fund

Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation | WEDC

2024 Wisconsin Arts Celebration Project | Curiosity

Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction

Arts & Culture Accessibility Self-Assessment
Open Door Arts

NEW NCN Articles of Interest | April 4, 2025
National Creativity Network

2025 Congressional Art Competition

Office of Congressman Bryan Steil
1st Congressional District of Wisconsin
Deadline: April 9

Office of Congressman Scott Fitzgerald
5th Congressional District of Wisconsin
Deadline: April 11 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 18 at 5:00 PM

Job Opportunities

Experiential Learning Manager
Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design | MIAD
Applications will be reviewed starting April 14; until filled

President and CEO
National Association of Latino Arts and Cultures
Deadline: April 14

NEW Executive Director Position
Waupaca Community Arts Hub
Deadline: May 9 or until filled

Scenic Charge Artist
Peninsula Players Theatre
Deadline: Until Filled

School Registrar
Milwaukee Ballet
Deadline: Until Filled

Position Announcement: Controller (Full-Time)

Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design

Deadline: Until Filled

Position Announcement: Vice President for Academic Affairs (Full-Time)

Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design

Deadline: Until Filled

Operations Coordinator Description

Opera for the Young

Deadline: Until Filled

Marketing and Development Coordinator

Opera for the Young

Deadline: Until Filled

Director of Development

Schauer Arts Center

Deadline: Until Filled

Internships & Apprenticeships (Paid)

Milwaukee Chamber Theatre

Deadline: Until Filled

Event and Hospitality Coordinator

John Michael Kohler Arts Center

Deadline: Until Filled

Museum Registrar

John Michael Kohler Arts Center

Deadline: Until Filled

Brewers Hiring 2025 Game Day Performers and Staff

Urban Milwaukee

Deadlines: Until Filled

Account Executive

Radio Milwaukee

Until Filled

Post-Doctoral Curatorial and Teaching Fellow

Haggerty Museum of Art

Until Filled

Careers

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Deadline: Various

[Jobs & Opportunities](#)

National Organization for Arts in Health

Deadlines: Various

Deadlines | Resources | Events

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

America 250

Deadline: Before July 4, 2026

[Major Grants](#)

Wisconsin Humanities

Application Deadlines: April 15, August 15, December 15

“Grant applications are not currently being accepted due to the delay in approval of the 2025 federal budget.” – [Wisconsin Humanities](#)

[NEW 2025 Virtual Dance Education Summit](#)

WI Department of Public Instruction

April 21

[Business Of Art Conference IV | Artists At Work In Wellness: In Education](#)

Dane Arts Buy Local | Dane Arts

April 24 – 26

[Celebrate the 2025 NEA Jazz Masters April 24-26, 2025](#)

National Endowment for the Arts

April 24 – 26

[Latinos Organizing for Understanding and Development announces arts and culture conference](#)

Fox 47 | WMSN

May 1 – 2

[2025 AAM Annual Meeting & MuseumExpo](#)

American Alliance of Museums

May 6 – 9 | Los Angeles, CA

[2025 WRITING ON THE DOOR CONFERENCE: Writing the World](#)

Write On, Door County

May 9 – 10

[10th World Summit on Arts & Culture](#)

International Federation of Arts Councils and Culture Agencies (IFACCA)

May 27 - 30 | Seoul, South Korea

Embracing the Tangible: Fostering Interdisciplinary Connections in Book Art
CBAA the Association for Book Art Education
June 5 - 7 | UW-Madison

Experience the Future of Arts Leadership at AFTACON - National Arts Convening to Showcase Arts as a Catalyst for Community Change
Americans for the Arts
June 11 – 14

2025 National Conference
Dance/USA
June 17 - 20 | Chicago

2025 National Arts Integration and STEAM Conference
Creativity Rising
July 8 – 9 | Baltimore, MD

DNR Now Accepting Artwork For The 2026 Turkey, Pheasant And Waterfowl Stamp Contest
Urban Milwaukee, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
Deadline: August 1

Joint Effort Marketing (JEM) Grants
Travel Wisconsin
Deadlines: August 1, November 1 | New Events, Existing Events, Sales Promotion, One Time/One-of-a-kind Event
Deadlines: September 1 | Destination Marketing

LEAD 2025: Leadership Exchange in Arts & Disability Conference (including ED@LEAD)
Kennedy Center
August 18 – 22 | Cleveland, OH

2025 Prospectus
Wisconsin Science Festival
October 16 – 26

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

[Funding Comes Through For New Public Art Piece](#)

Volume One Magazine

[A Milwaukee Artist Is Creating Pieces for The Draft](#)

TMJ4 Milwaukee

Also

[NFL taps Wisconsin artist for art installation at 2025 draft](#)

Fox 6 Milwaukee

[15 Iconic Feminist Works by American Women Artists](#)

ARTnews

Arts and Creativity in Education

[Sec. of State presents check for more than \\$570K to Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District](#)

NBC 15 | WMTV

[Trump administration revokes visas for a dozen UW-Madison international students](#)

Wisconsin State Journal

Arts and Healthcare

Community Arts

[April 2025](#)

Imagine MKE

Literary Arts/Libraries

[These Wisconsin indie bookstores are taking a stand against Amazon](#)

Wisconsin Today | Wisconsin Public Radio

[Madison Public Library rallies for support amid funding uncertainty](#)

The Badger Herald

[New online library of accessory dwelling units promotes land reuse in La Crosse](#)
Wisconsin Today | Wisconsin Public Radio

[Most Americans want to read more books. We just don't.](#)
All Things Considered | NPR

[Sandra Maria Esteves | Sistas](#)
Poem of the Day, Poetry Foundation

Media Arts

[Photos of Film: The 2025 Wisconsin Film Fest](#)
The Capital Times

[Academy President Janet Yang Urges Preservation of 'Human Authorship' in the AI Era](#)
Variety

Performing Arts

Music

[Door County chamber music series announces its 35th season, including a Big Top gala](#)
Green Bay Press-Gazette
Season

Theater/Opera

[Geneva Theatre Actors Guild presents "The Miss Geneva Lake Senior Citizens Beauty Pageant"](#)
Lake Geneva Regional News

[At James Earl Jones Memorial, Friends Share Laughs, Tears and Moving Stories](#)
The New York Times

[What is Broadway Opening Night? How it's changed, why it matters.](#)
New York Theater

Other

[Trump Tariffs Will Make Entertainment More Expensive](#)
Bloomberg

[Do what you say you will do - Commitments are easier made than met. So do the math.](#)
ArtsManaged Field Notes

WHEN YOU GO

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

Arts and Creativity in Education

[UWSP to bring 'Magic Flute' opera to local stages](#)

Wausau Pilot & Review

April 10, 13 | Magic Flute

April 23, 27 | Magic Flute (shortened, modified, in English)

[Bizhiki | UW-Eau Claire](#)

Barron News-Shield

April 17

[Looking Local: UW-Stout Welcomes Public to Spring Showcase](#)

The 715 Newsroom

Various

Community Arts

[Oak Creek Announces Exciting Lineup of Summer Events for 2025](#)

Urban Milwaukee

Various | Summer

Literary Arts/Libraries

['Wisconsin Idols' commemorates the known and the lesser known state stars](#)

Isthmus

April 15

[Meet Wisconsin Poet Laureate Dasha Kelly Hamilton at Caramel Crisp Corner](#)

Wisconsin Public Radio

May 8

Media Arts

[Celebrating The WI Film Festival with Pete Schwaba \(Hour 1\)](#)

The Todd Allbaugh Show | Civic Media

Through April 10

[The Beavers Are Back - See This Special Screening](#)

TMJ4 Milwaukee

April 8

[Where to eat near the Downer and Oriental theaters during the Milwaukee Film Festival](#)

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

April 24 – May 8

Performing Arts

Music

[Excited for the new Bon Iver album? These coffees were designed to complement the music](#)

Stevens Point Journal

April 11

Presenting

[Ellis will perform at Thrasher Opera House](#)

Ripon Commonwealth Press

April 25

[Washington Park Wednesdays 2025 Summer Concert Series Lineup Announced](#)

Urban Milwaukee

July 9 – August 27 | Wednesdays

[Familiar Faces Part of 2025 Northwoods Rock Rally Lineup](#)

Volume One Magazine

August 14 – 16

OPPORTUNITIES

[April 2025 Opportunities: Open Calls, Residencies, and Grants for Artists](#)

Colossal

Deadlines: Various

[Open Calls](#)

Artist Communities Alliance (ACA)

Various

[Artist Opportunities: March and April 2025](#)

Creative Capital

Various

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

City of Milwaukee Arts Board

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

[Artist Residency](#)

Wormfarm Institute

Applications reviewed on a rolling basis through Mid-March

[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

[Rauschenberg Medical Emergency Grants](#)

New York Foundation for the Arts

Cycle 29 will be open Through March 11 for emergencies occurring August 1, 2024 and after

Learn more

[Rauschenberg Medical Emergency Grants Info Session July 2024](#)

New York Foundation for the Arts

[Rauschenberg Dancer Emergency Grant](#)

New York Foundation for the Arts

Cycle 18 will be open March 18 - April 15

Learn more

[Rauschenberg Medical Emergency Grants Info Session July 2024](#)

New York Foundation for the Arts

[CHOIRS OF CLASSIC ROCK: I Want to Know What... It's Like to Sing with Foreigner](#)

Volume One Magazine

Deadline: April 13

EXTENDED [2025 Scholarship Applications](#)

Wisconsin Dance Council

Deadline: April 15

[Spring 2025 Cycle](#)

The Open Fund Artist Project Grant

Deadline: April 15

Community Arts Education Leadership and Intercultural Institute (CAELII): Leadership Transformation

National Guild for Community Arts Education

Deadline: April 15

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New York Foundation for the Arts invites applications for environmental art projects

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: April 15

Mudflat Studio invites applications for year-long residency program

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: April 16

America's Field Trip

America 250

Deadline: April 16

Call for Artists: And I Will Tell You Mine

John Michael Kohler Arts Center

Deadline: April 17

Regional Biennial Juried Sculpture Exhibition

Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum

Deadline: April 20

2026 Writers & Literary Arts Administrators Residency

Write On, Door County

Information Sessions: April 24

Deadline: May 1

Grants for Visual Artists

Harpo Foundation

Deadline: April 28

Kenosha Murals Project Call for Artists

Kenosha Community Foundation, City of Kenosha, and the Kenosha Creative Space

Deadline: April 29

DNR Now Accepting Entries For 2026 State Park And Forest 12-Month Vehicle Admission Pass

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

Deadline: April 30

Also

[Do you have what it takes to design the 2026 park pass?](#)

Madison Magazine

Deadline: April 30

[READY TO ROCK\(ONSIN\): Applications Are Now Open for Rockonsin](#)

Volume One Magazine

Deadline: April 30

[All-Ages Poetry Contest!](#)

Kenosha Public Library

Deadline: April 30

[Festival of Fine Arts Puts Out Call for Artists](#)

Door County Pulse

Deadline: May 1

[Call for Vendors](#)

Outpost Co-Op

Deadlines: Two weeks prior to event date

Event Dates: May 17, August 16, October 11

[Spirit of the St. Croix Art Festival 2025](#)

The Phipps Center for the Arts

Deadline: May 2

[Sheboygan Film Festival Accepting Submissions](#)

CBS 4 | Indianapolis

May 2 Early Bird Deadline

June 6 | Regular Deadline

July 25 | Late Submissions Deadline

[The ArtSeed Re-Granting Program](#)

Racine Arts Council

Deadline: May 2

[The Andy Warhol Foundation Arts Writers Grant Application is Now Open](#)

The Andy Warhol Foundation

Deadline: May 7

[Call for Entries: 63rd Annual Wall-to-Wall Juried Exhibit](#)

The Hardy Gallery

Entries Due: May 16 & 17

Awakening the Senses: Art that Invites Interaction
RAM's Wustum Museum
Entry Deadline: May 17

2025 Stevens Point Sculpture Park Juried Call
The Stevens Point Sculpture Park
Deadline: May 23

2025 Stevens Point Sculpture Park Bench Call
The Stevens Point Sculpture Park
Deadline: May 23

65th Arrowhead Regional Biennial
Duluth Art Institute
Deadline: June 2

6th annual USA Miniprints for Peace and Justice 2025
SOS ART
Deadline: June 2

NEW Vilcek Foundation to Award \$50,000 Prizes to Immigrants in Fashion Fields
Colossal
Deadline: June 9

Vilcek Foundation invites applications for grants to support nonprofits working with immigrants in the arts, sciences, and humanities.
Philanthropy News Digest
Deadline: June 30

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Fellowships and Grants | Scandinavian Folk Arts & Cultural Traditions in the Upper Midwest
The American-Scandinavian Foundation
Deadline: September 1

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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