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[National Poetry Month 30th Anniversary](#) | Academy of American Poets

[Jazz Appreciation Month](#) | Smithsonian Museum of American History

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"There are three classes of people: those who see, those who see when they are shown, those who do not see." – Leonardo da Vinci

"I paint as a way of looking for myself in the world" – Amy Sherald

"The optimist proclaims that we live in the best of all possible worlds; and the pessimist fears this is true." – James Branch Cabell

"If we pretend to respect the artist at all we must allow him his freedom of choice, in the face, in particular cases, of innumerable presumptions that the choice will not fructify. Art derives a considerable part of its beneficial exercise from flying in the face of presumptions, and some of the most interesting experiments of which it is capable are hidden in the bosom of common things." – Henry James

"We are what we pretend to be, so we must be careful about what we pretend to be." – Kurt Vonnegut

"The only difference between death and taxes is that death doesn't get worse every time Congress meets." – Will Rogers

"I'm proud to pay taxes in the United States; the only thing is, I could be just as proud for half the money." – Arthur Godfrey

VIDEO OF THE DAY

[Bob Uecker documentary to premiere in Milwaukee](#)
WISN

[Western Wisconsin Journal: The Phipps 2026-2027 Season](#)
River Channel
Season

[Antigo teen art exhibit features diverse works from aspiring local artists](#)
WJFW
Through April 23

[How to design a library that makes kids want to read | Michael Bierut](#)
TEDNYC

[Embedding Creative Aging in Healthy Aging Policy and Planning | Webinar](#)
LifetimeArts

["Malagueña" Featuring the Concert Band Trombones](#)
The United States Air Force Band

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 [Join the Wisconsin Social Rx Ecosystem](#)
Wisconsin Social Rx

Also

NEW [Social Prescribing in Wisconsin- Shared screen with speaker view](#)
Wisconsin Social Rx + Social Rx, Zoom

NEW [Spotlighting Wisconsin - Saint Maud's](#)
Wisconsin Arts Board

NEW [Creative Copy | Fantastic Film](#)
Wisconsin Arts Board

NEW [Wisconsin By the People](#)
Wisconsin Humanities

[**NEW** The Great Connector: How Arts Participation Renews Civic and Community Engagement](#)

National Endowment for the Arts

[**NEW** Statement on Proposed Elimination of the NEA, April 2026](#)

National Assembly of State Arts Agencies

[**NEW** WI Arts & Creativity Newsletter: Vol 4, Issue 8 - April 2026](#)

WI Department of Public Instruction

[**NEW** ArtScan](#)

Arts Education Partnership

“A clearinghouse of the latest state policies supporting arts education from all 50 states, the District of Columbia and the Department of Defense Education Activity.”

[Riley Saenim is Wisconsin’s 2026 Poetry Out Loud Champion](#)

Wisconsin Arts Board

Also

[High School Students from Across Nation to Compete in Poetry Out Loud National Finals](#)

National Endowment for the Arts

April 28 – 29

[The Wisconsin Arts Board Congratulates Its America250 Grantees](#)

Wisconsin Arts Board

[The Wisconsin Arts Board Congratulates FY26 Woodland Indian Arts Program Grant Recipients](#)

Wisconsin Arts Board

[Spotlighting Wisconsin - ConneXion Performing Arts](#)

Wisconsin Arts Board

[Help WisconsinEye Raise Operations Funds](#)

GoFundMe

[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

[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 | April 10, 2026](#)

National Creativity Network

Job Opportunities

[NEW Ticketing Services Specialist - The Young](#)

Young Auditorium | UW-Whitewater

Deadline: April 26

[Executive Assistant](#)

Arts Midwest

Deadline: May 31

[Part-Time Faculty](#)

Milwaukee Ballet

Deadline: May 31

[Arts Administrative Director](#)

Suzuki Strings of Madison

Deadline: Until Filled

[Director of Institutional Advancement](#)

Racine Art Museum

Deadline: Until Filled

[Patron Services Manager](#)

Next Act Theatre

Deadline: Until Filled

[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](#).

Deadlines | Resources | Events

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

Social Media Video Tactics for Arts Organizations

Arts Midwest

April 15 | 3:00 p.m. Central Time

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

American Alliance for Theatre & Education

April 16 – 19 | New York City, NY

Succession Planning for Sustainability

Arts Midwest

April 22 | 3:00 p.m. Central Time

Business of Art Conference V

Dane Arts

April 23 – 24 | Madison

Midwest Museums Leadership Intensive

Association of Midwest Museums

April 28 – 30

Open invitation to policy brief launch: The role of the arts in addressing the health impacts of climate change

World Health Organization

April 29

2026 Annual Rural Summit

Wisconsin Rural Partners

April 29 – 30 | Prairie du Chien

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 AAEE 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

[Don't Miss the Pre-Conference at Play Make Learn 2026!](#)

Professional Learning and Community Education | School of Education | UW-Madison

July 8

[2026 Play Make Learn Conference](#)

Professional Learning and Community Education | School of Education | UW-Madison

July 9-10

[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

[AATE 2026 National Conference](#)

American Alliance for Theatre & Education

July 29 – August 1 | Greenville, SC

[2026 LEAD Conference](#)

Leadership Exchange in Arts and Disability

August 11 – 14 | Philadelphia, PA

[2026 Annual Conference](#)

Chamber Music America

August 20 – 23

[Midwest Arts Expo](#)

Heartland Performing Arts

September 22 – 25

[2026 Biennial NAfME Music Research and Teacher Education Conference](#)

National Association for Music Education

September 30 – October 3 | Long Beach, CA

[2026 Wisconsin Science Festival](#)

Wisconsin Science Festival

October 15 – 25

[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

[2026 Honorees](#)

JCACRAFT News | James Renwick Alliance for Craft

Congratulations to Bruce Pepich and Tom Loeser for being honored!

[2026 Stevens Point Sculpture Park Juried Call](#)

Stevens Point Sculpture Park

Deadline: May 23

[Toward a Polyphonic Ecosystem: Mapping Audience Engagement from the “Benito Bowl” to the Postdigital Museum](#)

Arts Management and Technology Laboratory

Arts and Creativity in Education

[Tremper High School student Dallen Arendt advances to National Shakespeare](#)

[Competition in New York](#)

Kenosha Unified School District

Voting ends April 21

[Appleton theater teacher talks dream show, art history in Hallway Voices](#)

MSN, Appleton Post-Crescent

[South Milwaukee's Alayna Lund talks about teaching foundational skills](#)
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

[Milwaukee students contribute to new mural coming to Tenor High School](#)
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

[Follow the Money: How Advocates Can Get Ahead of School Budget Decisions That Affect Music Education](#)
Bob Morrison

[Amy Clark named provost, vice chancellor for academic affairs at UWRF](#)
River Falls Journal

[Blugolds meet Chancellor candidate – Diana Rogers-Adkinson](#)
WEAU

[Blugolds meet Chancellor candidate – Matt Cecil](#)
WEAU

Arts and Healthcare

[Children's Wisconsin Patients Get a New Stage to Shine: A Seacrest Studio Is Coming](#)
Urban Milwaukee

[Join the Wisconsin Social Rx Ecosystem](#)
Wisconsin Social Rx

Also

[Social Prescribing in Wisconsin- Shared screen with speaker view](#)
Wisconsin Social Rx + Social Rx, Zoom

Community Arts

[This Indie Music Venue is Reimagining Accessibility in Arts Spaces](#)
Arts Midwest

Literary Arts/Libraries

["Waiting, a Quintet" | Kimberly Blaeser](#)
Literary Hub

[Arielle Hebert | Our Book of Delights](#)
Poem-a-Day, Poets.org

Media Arts

[NBC Sunday Night Baseball intro shot in Milwaukee with Zac Brown Band](#)
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

Performing Arts

Music

[Chorus Members Reflect on 50 Years of Making Music](#)
Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra

[Mad About the Mandolin](#)
The Weekend Essay | The New Yorker

Presenting

[\[PHOTOS\] ACE OF DECEPTION: Ben Seidman Performs 'Con Man' In Eau Claire](#)
Volume One Magazine

[Spotify and NIVA Partner to Support Independent Music Venues](#)
Variety

[Senators Call for Court to Scrutinize DOJ's Live Nation-Ticketmaster Settlement](#)
Variety

Other

[Nonprofit Leaders Answer: How Does Your Nonprofit Onboard New Board Members Effectively?](#)
Blue Avocado

[What Every Fundraiser Needs to Know About the New Tax Law](#)
The Chronicle of Philanthropy

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

[Duke Otherwise | Kids in the Rotunda](#)
Overture Center for the Arts
April 18

Community Arts

[TLC for caregivers - An arts program caters to people with memory loss and provides respite for those who care for them](#)
Isthmus
First Fridays of Each Month

[3 weekend events you don't want to miss April 16-19 in Wisconsin Rapids](#)
Wisconsin Rapids Daily Tribune
April 16 – 19

[3 weekend events you don't want to miss April 16-19 in Stevens Point](#)
Stevens Point Journal
April 16 – 19

[Oregon Community Calendar: April 16-26](#)
The Oregon Observer
April 16 – 26

[Wisconsin Conference on Latino Arts and Culture looks to bring people together while uplifting Latino artists and culture](#)
Madison365
May 14 – 15

Literary Arts/Libraries

[Ag Briefs: Pubic memorial service for Jerry Apps set on May 9](#)
Wisconsin State Farmer
May 9

Media Arts

[Film presentation looks at solutions to homelessness](#)
WIZM
April 16

[Local filmmaker to premiere documentary about Green Bay](#)
WBAY
April 22

Performing Arts

Presenting

[EMN Offers Rare Opportunity to Hear Early Chinese Music](#)
Urban Milwaukee
April 18

[Music at the Mill to kick off with 'American Idol' contestant](#)
Point/Plover Metro Wire
May 26 – September 16

[Lyle Lovett and His Small Large Band](#)
Viterbo University
July 11

Theater/Opera

Wisconsin Classic Stage presents first ever anti-war drama—The Persians
Wisconsin Muslim Journal
April 24 – 26

OPPORTUNITIES

NEW Artist Opportunities – April 2026
Creative Capital for Artists
Various | April

CALLING ALL CREATIVES: Artist Market Of E.C. Opens 2026 Applications
Volume One Magazine
Now Open

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

April 2026 Opportunities: Open Calls, Residencies, and Grants for Artists

Colossal

Various

2026 Young Artists and Authors Showcase

Sister Cities International

Deadline Extended: April 15

2026 Free-for-Wall: "Joy: A Community Art Exhibition"

ArtStart Rhinelander

Drop Off Deadline: April 15 - 17

2026 Travel Grant Application

The Rabkin Foundation

Deadline: April 16

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

Continued Growth

Miller Art Museum

Deadline: April 17

2026 WDC Scholarship Student Application

Wisconsin Dance Council

Deadline: April 17

2026 Instrument Drive

Wisconsin Conservatory of Music

April 18

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

['Barstow & Grand' Welcomes Submissions For Issue 10](#)

Volume One Magazine

Deadline: April 30

[Request for Proposals | Community Art Wall](#)

Nature & Culture Museum of Wisconsin

Deadline: May 1

[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 [April 4](#).

[Racine Arts Council Announces 2026 ArtSeed Grants Available](#)

Racine Arts Council

Deadline: May 1

Manito Art League helps Northwoods artists further their education

WJFW

Deadline: May 1

NEW The Joyce Foundation Expands Signature Program with New Artist-centered, Statewide Model in Six States, Administered by United States Artists

The Joyce Foundation

Deadline: May 4

The Andy Warhol Foundation Arts Writers Grant—Application Open

Creative Capital for Artists

Deadline: May 6

Green Lake Plein Air Festival

Town Square Community Center

May 14

Downtown Green Bay: We the People: A Community Quilt for 250 Years

WisBusiness

Drop-Off Due Date: May 15

NEW 2026 Stevens Point Sculpture Park Juried Call

Stevens Point Sculpture Park

Deadline: May 23

Arrivals and Departures - CALL FOR ARTISTS

Heyde Center for the Arts

Entry Deadline: May 31

NEW E.C. County Offering Roughly \$250K In Nonprofit Support Grants

Volume One Magazine

Deadline: June 1

Preparations Begin for Second Annual Sheboygan Film Festival

Seehafernews.com

June 12 | Regular Deadline

July 17 | Late Deadline

Volunteer at Artspire 2026

Pump House Regional Arts Center

June 12, 13

NEW The Beyond & Black Kettle Tea Shoppe Call For Short Film Entries

Volume One Magazine

Deadline: June 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

Also

DNR accepting artwork for 2027 turkey, pheasant, waterfowl stamp contests

Wausau Pilot & Review

Submission Deadline: August 1

Stamp Artwork Can Still Be Submitted For DNR Waterfowl Design Contest

Seehafernews.com

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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