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June 22, 2026

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Art does not imitate, but interpret. It searches out the idea lying dormant in the symbol, in order to present the symbol to men in such form as to enable them to penetrate through it to the idea. Were it otherwise, what would be the use or value of art?” – Giuseppe Mazzini

“The great gift of human beings is that we have the power of empathy.” – Meryl Streep

“One can never speak enough of the virtues, the dangers, the power of shared laughter.” – Françoise Sagan

“My music is about a joyful experience. I’ve learned that if you can affect other people, you should.” – Cyndi Lauper

“In tradition and in books an integral part of the individual persists, for it can influence the minds and actions of other people in different places and at different times: a row of black marks on a page can move a man to tears, though the bones of him that wrote it are long ago crumbled to dust. In truth, the whole progress of civilization is based upon this power.” – Julian Huxley

“A story should have a beginning, a middle and an end, but not necessarily in that order.” – Jean-Luc Godard

VIDEO OF THE DAY

[Harry Whitehorse wood sculpture festival continues in Monona](#)
NBC 15 | WMTV
Through June 27

[Superior brings local tunes for 'Make Music Day'](#)
Northern News Now

[Acontecer | Playing For Change | Song Around The World](#)
Playing For Change

[Jon Batiste's Performs Selections from "Black Mozart" Album](#)
WQXR

[Tom Hanks' HILARIOUS Harvard Speech Leaves Audience in Splits: "I Make a Good Living..." | REPLUG](#)
Oneindia News

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 Artist Collectives, Centers, Cooperatives | Creative Copy #33](#)
Wisconsin Arts Board

[Spotlighting Wisconsin - Thelma Sadoff Center for the Arts](#)
Wisconsin Arts Board

[Secretary Lonnie Bunch Says the Smithsonian Keeps 'The Nation's Memory' in an Exclusive Essay for America's 250th Birthday](#)
Smithsonian Voices | Office of the Secretary of the Smithsonian

[U.S. Conference of Mayors and National Endowment for the Arts to Showcase Freedom 250 City Art Posters](#)
National Endowment for the Arts
Submit through November 6

[Wisconsin Humanities, Arts Board launch program to help folk artists share traditions statewide](#)
Racine County Eye

[Disaster Readiness & Recovery for Wisconsin's Arts Industry](#)
Wisconsin Arts Board

[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

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

National Endowment for the Arts

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

PBS Wisconsin

[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

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

Open Door Arts

NEW [NCN Articles of Interest | June 19, 2026](#)

National Creativity Network

Job Opportunities

[Part-Time Accompanist](#)

Milwaukee Ballet

Deadline: June 30

[Director of Marketing and Communications](#)

Skylight Music Theatre

Deadline: June 30

[Gallery Associate, part-time](#)

Abel Contemporary Gallery

Deadline: Until Filled

[Development & Special Events Manager](#)

Sharon Lynne Wilson Center for the Arts

Deadline: Until Filled

Director of Performing Arts Center
Lincoln High School | Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools
Deadline: Until Filled

Technical Director of Performing Arts Center
Lincoln High School | Wisconsin Rapids
Deadline: Until Filled

Director of Donor Engagement and Development
Miller Art Museum
Deadline: Until Filled

Curatorial Internship
Miller Art Museum
Deadline: Until Filled

School Programs Coordinator
Milwaukee Ballet
Deadline: Until Filled

Deputy Director of Finance, Administration and Retail Enterprise
Bergstrom-Mahler Museum of Glass
Deadline: Until Filled

Director of Development and Communications
Jewish Family Services, Inc.
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

General Manager
Barrymore Theatre
Deadline: Until Filled

[Development Coordinator](#)

Opera for the Young

Deadline: Until Filled

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

Deadlines | Resources | Events

[International Thespian Festival](#)

Educational Theatre Association

Through June 26 | Bloomington, IN

[Wisconsin Historical Society: Engage with history during America's 250th Anniversary year at the Wisconsin Historical Society's History Maker Space this summer](#)

WisPolitics

This Summer

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

America 250

Deadline: Before July 4

[Military Families Receive Free Admission This Summer at Participating Blue Star Museums 2026](#)

National Endowment for the Arts

Through September 7

[We're Back with Another Capacity Building Webinar Series](#)

Creative West

Through September 8

[Creative Labor, Creative Conditions - A National Campaign to Shift the Valuation of the Arts](#)

Doris Duke Foundation

Through September

Also

[Creative Labor, Creative Conditions: Why Centering Artists as Thought Leaders and Changemakers Matters](#)

Doris Duke Foundation

[World Premiere Wisconsin: A yearlong, statewide celebration of new plays and musicals returns in 2026!](#)

World Premiere Wisconsin

Through December 31

[The Vanguard Award](#)

Remuseum

Deadline: June 22

“Remuseum announces The Vanguard, an award and accelerator for innovative leaders in the visual and performing arts, in partnership with the Doris Duke Foundation. The Vanguard’s \$100,000 annual award will recognize up to ten leaders who are exploring new ways to strengthen arts institutions, and a year-long accelerator will help them refine, implement, and evaluate their ideas. The first award and accelerator of its kind, The Vanguard celebrates leaders who are ready to center the public in their work in new ways, building models for increased relevance and sustainability in the arts.”

[2026 National Summit to Increase Social Connections](#)

Commit to Connect

June 23 - 24

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

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

July 8

[2026 National Forum on Education Policy](#)

Education Commission of the States

July 8 – 10

[The 2026 National Arts Integration and STEAM Conference](#)

The Institute for Arts Integration and STEAM

July 8 - 10 | St. Louis, MO

[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

[Workforce Policy Briefing](#)

Arts Education Partnership

July 16 | Virtual

[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 & Disability

August 11 | Capacity Building Workshops
August 12 - 14 | Conference

2026 Annual Conference
Chamber Music America
August 20 – 23

Annual Convening
Arts Education Partnership
September 1 - 4 | Jacksonville, FL

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

NOAHCON
National Organization for Arts in Health
October 11 - 13 | Rochester, NY
October 28 | Virtual Day

2026 Wisconsin Science Festival
Wisconsin Science Festival
October 15 – 25

Rooted in Community | 2026 Annual Conference
Wisconsin Library Association
October 20 - 23 | Middleton

Women Trailblazers Conference
UW-Stevens Point School of Business and Economics
October 28 | Stevens Point

Creative Communities, Collective Futures
2026 Chicago Regional | National Association of Latino Arts & Cultures
November 12 – 14 | Chicago, IL

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

Call for Art! 2nd Annual Paint Wisconsin Exhibition – Deadline extended

Whitewater Banner

Deadline: June 28

Seed Art Contest Will Debut Inaugural Exhibit At Dunn County Fair

Volume One Magazine

Deadline: July 1

Downtown Mural Project Request for Qualifications

Rhineland Area Chamber of Commerce

Deadline: July 5

Kenosha County Eye Logo Appears in Italian Mural, Raising Questions About Its Origins

Kenosha County Eye

Education, telling stories, is mission, says new Historical Society Executive Director

WIZM

Opinion | Art Galleries Are Not OK

Guest Essay | The New York Times

Arts and Creativity in Education

How These High Schoolers Are Living Out Their Broadway Dreams

The New York Times

The 19th Century Revolution: Music Enters the Public School - Article VII of The Founding Disciplines

Bob Morrison

[The History of Old Main at UW-Stevens Point](#)
WSAW

[Portfolio Careers Among Arts and Design Alumni](#)
SNAAP Shots | Pulse Edition | Strategic National Arts Alumni Project

Arts and Healthcare

[173 Articles Highlighting Arts in Health](#)
Aly Maier & Arts in Health Inc.

Community Arts

[Milwaukee Honors Cecilia Gilbert, Longtime 'Queen' Of City Hall](#)
Plenty of Horne | Urban Milwaukee

[Milwaukee's 55th Juneteenth Jubilee Parade and Festival in Photos](#)
Urban Milwaukee, Milwaukee Neighborhood News Service

Also

[Q&A: Juneteenth Parade Grand Marshal Reuben Harpole Talks Black History](#)
Milwaukee Magazine

[Madison Juneteenth celebration focuses on Black history, resilience](#)
Wisconsin State Journal

Also

[Photos: Juneteenth parade and celebration](#)
Wisconsin State Journal

[Walking Tour Spotlights Black Contributors to Wisconsin's Capital City](#)
Urban Milwaukee, Wisconsin Examiner

[Work visa issues leave Door County businesses short staffed for summer season](#)
Wisconsin Public Radio

Folk Arts/Folklife

[Oneida Nation unveils new cultural center 14 times larger than old one](#)
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

[Belgian Heritage Center Preserving Walloon on the Web](#)
Door County Daily News

[Miss Czech-Slovak Wisconsin Queen and Princess 2026-27](#)
Price County Review

Artist Application and Selection Process

Upper Peninsula Folklife Festival

Deadline: July 1

Literary Arts/Libraries

Judy Blume says she's done writing: '50 years is enough!'

Weekend Edition Saturday | NPR

Lucille Clifton | won't you celebrate with me

Poem of the Day | Poetry Foundation

Media Arts

Richard & Ethel Herzfeld Foundation donates \$500,000 to Milwaukee Film in support of Downer Theatre capital campaign

Milwaukee Record

Hollywood never made Fred MacMurray forget his Beaver Dam roots

America 250 | Wisconsin Originals | Kenosha News

Performing Arts

Music

Milwaukee singer-songwriter's new folk-rock album draws from years of playing with local musicians

Wisconsin Today | Wisconsin Public Radio

Ariela Bohrod

Midday Classics | Wisconsin Public Radio

Clive Davis, Grammy-Winning Record Producer and Music Executive, Dies at 94

Variety

Presenting

Sarah Pancheri, President and CEO, Milwaukee World Festival

Wisconsin 275 | BizTimes Milwaukee

Going to Summerfest? This is what happens in your brain during live music.

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

Other

The Art of Grant Budgeting: A Guide for Nonprofit CFOs

Blue Avocado

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

[Congratulations to the Award Winners! The 64th Annual Wall-To-Wall Juried Exhibit!](#)
The Hardy Gallery
Through July 5

[Warren King: Homecoming Opens at Lynden Sculpture Garden, June 20](#)
Urban Milwaukee
Through November 15 | Exhibit
June 24 | Artist Reception

[Drug Addiction: Real People, Real Stories](#)
INTO Light Project Wisconsin
Through November 21 | Exhibit
July 25 | Opening Reception

[New artist coming to Shell Lake Art Festival](#)
Spooner Advocate
July 4

Arts and Creativity in Education

[Kids From Wisconsin celebrates America's music at Sentry Theater](#)
Stevens Point Journal
June 28

Community Arts

[That's Entertainment: Week of 06/22/26](#)
Eau Claire Leader-Telegram
This Week

[Eau Claire County Expo Center Considered For Potential Sale](#)
Volume One Magazine
June 22

[What to do in Madison this week: June 22-25, 2026](#)
Isthmus
June 22 – 25

[New Community Arts Destination Opens in Milwaukee: The Art Emporium Invites the Public to Celebrate Creativity at Grand Opening](#)

Urban Milwaukee
June 26

Folk Arts/Folklife

[Award-Winning Bakery Invites Americans to Discover Wisconsin's Iconic Pastry this National Kringle Day](#)
PerishableNews.com
June 27

Media Arts

[LIVE & FLEETING: Submit Your Local 'Not-So-Long Distance' Dedications To Radio Volume One Magazine](#)
Begins July 10

Performing Arts

Dance

[NGOMA II | Dances and Rhythms of Guinea, West Africa](#)
Ko-Thi Dance Company
June 28

Music

[Girls Rock MKE Announces Summer Showcase Concerts at The Cooperage](#)
Urban Milwaukee
July 19, August 9

Theater/Opera

[Packers' musical comedy "Dad's Season Tickets" opening at the Racine Theatre Guild](#)
Racine Theatre Guild
July 17 – 26

OPPORTUNITIES

[June 2026 Opportunities: Open Calls, Residencies, and Grants for Artists](#)
Colossal
Deadlines: Various

[Residency Opportunities | June + July](#)
Artist Communities Alliance
Various | June + July

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

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

2026 Harry Whitehorse International Wood Sculpture Festival: Volunteer Sign Up
SignUpGenius
Through June 30

[The Vanguard Award](#)

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[Bronzeville Cultural & Arts Festival Accepting Entertainer Applications](#)

Urban Milwaukee

Deadline: June 26

[American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation Hub Mural](#)

American Birkebeiner Ski Foundation

Deadline: June 26

[City-Wide WE READ Youth Voices Writing Contest Returns May 1](#)

City of Madison

Deadline: June 30

[Great Wisconsin Quilt Show accepting entries](#)

Price County Review

Deadline: June 30

[Enter the 2026 Quilted Fashion Challenge Exhibit and Show](#)

PBS Wisconsin

Deadline: June 30

[PhotoMidwest Biennial Exhibition 2026](#)

Café | Photo Midwest

July 1

NEW [Seed Art Contest Will Debut Inaugural Exhibit At Dunn County Fair](#)

Volume One Magazine

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NEW [Artist Application and Selection Process](#)

Upper Peninsula Folklife Festival

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NEW [Downtown Mural Project Request for Qualifications](#)

Rhineland Area Chamber of Commerce

Deadline: July 5

Something's Fishy

Spectrum School of the Arts, Inc.

Deadline: July 5

Calling all Artists: Reimagining Wisconsin Through Art

Kids Forward

Deadline: July 6

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National Endowment for the Arts

Deadlines: July 9

Preparations Begin for Second Annual Sheboygan Film Festival

Seehafernews.com

July 17 | Late Deadline

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

2026 Call for Art: Dia de Los Muertos (Day of the Dead)

Latinos Organizing for Understanding and Development (LOUD)

Deadline: August 1

Wisconsin Photography 2026

Racine Art Museum

Deadline: August 24

Nordic Folk Arts & Cultural Traditions in the Upper Midwest

American-Scandinavian Foundation

Deadline: September 15

Small Works Open Call

Carnelian Art Gallery

Deadline: November 2026

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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