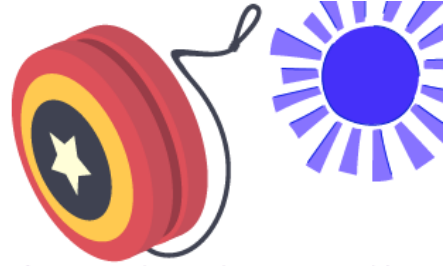


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Partnering with Artists and Organizations for Our Wisconsin Communities

June 29, 2026

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Tragedy is when I cut my finger. Comedy is when you fall into an open sewer and die.” – Mel Brooks

“As long as the world is turning and spinning, we're gonna be dizzy and we're gonna make mistakes.” – Mel Brooks

“Comedy is a weird but very beautiful thing. Even though it seems foolish and silly and crazy, comedy has the most to say about the human condition. Because if you can laugh, you can get by. You can survive when things are bad when you have a sense of humor.” – Mel Brooks

“Look, I don't want to wax philosophic, but I will say that if you're alive you've got to flap your arms and legs, you've got to jump around a lot, for life is the very opposite of death, and therefore you must at very least think noisy and colorfully, or you're not alive.” – Mel Brooks

“If Shaw and Einstein couldn't beat death, what chance have I got? Practically none.” – Mel Brooks

[Happy 100th Birthday, Mel Brooks!](#)

The New York Times

VIDEO OF THE DAY

[Creating a large sculpture about reflection within the Wisconsin Aluminum Foundry.](#)

Wisconsin artist Foundry

For more information: <https://wafartistresidency.com/wafartisthighlight-1>

[Chainsaw carvers create art for a fundraiser](#)

WEAU

[New short video series celebrates Wisconsin librarians](#)

Arts & Culture | PBS Wisconsin

[Reel-to-Reel: Larry Meiller and Norman Gilliland](#)

Wisconsin Public Radio

[What's new on PBS Wisconsin in July?](#)

PBS Wisconsin

[Georgia O'Keeffe | Full Documentary](#)

American Masters PBS and THIRTEEN

Also

[Wisconsin Originals: Georgia O'Keeffe a pioneer in modern art](#)

America 250 | Wisconsin State Journal

[The Essential American Songbook: Defining America through its music](#)

CBS Sunday Morning

[You Know This Song \(but the Orchestra Doesn't\) | Jacob Collier & VSO School of Music Orchestra](#)

TED

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!

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NEW [Midwest Takeaways from the National Survey of Artists](#)

Arts Midwest

NEW [Case Study: Centering the Art of Accessibility](#)

Arts Midwest

[National Endowment for the Arts Highlights the Importance of Arts and Culture at the Great American State Fair](#)

National Endowment for the Arts

Through July 10

[Celebrating AMERICA250: Independence Day on the Capitol Square](#)
Wisconsin America250 Commission | Wisconsin Veterans Museum
July 4

[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](#).

<u>Arts Board Panelist Open Call</u> <i>Wisconsin Arts Board</i>

Arts & Culture Accessibility Self-Assessment
Open Door Arts

NEW NCN Articles of Interest | June 23, 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

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

[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

Chalkfest brings more than 400 artists to downtown Wausau

Wausau Pilot & Review

Also

Chalkfest art inspires free creative writing workshop - Marathon County Literacy Council welcomes community to turn chalk drawings into poetry

WSAW

July 29

Midwest Tintamarresque

Chippewa Valley Museum + UW-Eau Claire

Deadline: July 14

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

Colossal

Deadlines: Various

The secret life of a stolen Van Gogh

Up First from NPR

Norman Rockwell art that ignited a lawsuit and a love story is now on public view

Morning Edition | NPR

Arts and Creativity in Education

[14th Annual Youth Art Show](#)

Walker's Point Center for the Arts

Submission Deadline: July 5

[The 20th Century Professionalization: What the Century Built - Article VIII of The Founding Disciplines](#)

Bob Morrison

[Kopischke Earns Tenure](#)

Door County Pulse, Peninsula Pulse

[Carthage introduces Bachelor of Fine Arts in Theatre Arts](#)

Carthage College

[UW-Oshkosh unveils new library dedicated to India's history & culture](#)

Yahoo! News, Oshkosh Northwestern

Arts and Healthcare

[What's Happening Beneath It All?](#)

Anne Basting | LinkedIn

[Arts Engagement in Trauma Recovery Shows Significant Mental Health Benefits](#)

International Arts + Mind Lab

[Webinar: What is Neuroarts?](#)

Neuroline

[How NeuroArts Aid in the Well-Being of People: A Scoping Review](#)

Cureus

[Wired for Beauty: Neuroaesthetics in the Built Environment](#)

HOK Forward

[Intentional Spaces Roadmap Webinar](#)

International Arts + Mind Lab

Community Arts

[Lights out for Mad Lit](#)

Isthmus

[Three Things We Love Right Now: New Murals, Neighbors & Little Libraries](#)

Volume One Magazine

[Art or junk? South Milwaukee couple hopes to keep 12-foot skeletons up](#)
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

[Wisconsin's 22 Most Influential Asian American Leaders for 2026, Part 1](#)
Madison365

[Would you move to Wisconsin? This city wants to give you \\$9,500 to do so](#)
MSN, USA Today

[Here are musicians, actors and artists who called Wisconsin home](#)
Wisconsin State Journal

[Minnesota City Turns Vacant Office Into Affordable Art Studios](#)
Arts Midwest

Folk Arts/Folklife

[See photos from 52nd Oneida Pow Wow](#)
Green Bay Press-Gazette

Literary Arts/Libraries

[A RETURN TO WHAT MATTERS: Get To Know 'Unpasteurized Inga'](#)
Volume One Magazine

[Margaret Atwood Details Her First & Only Encounter With AI & Shares Her Assessment: "It's Garbage In, Garbage Out" — Babell Literary Festival](#)
Deadline

[Angela Nafis | I Never Dreamed You'd Leave in Summer](#)
Poem-a-Day, Poets.org

Media Arts

[The 7th VH Award Open Call Expands Support for Media Artists](#)
Colossal
Deadline: July 21

[Ann Blyth, Oscar-Nominated 'Mildred Pierce' Actress, Dies at 98](#)
The New York Times

[Spanish film archive sets out to reconstruct Orson Welles's lifelong 'Quixote'](#)
AOL.com, Euronews

Performing Arts

Dance

Battered by federal funding cuts, Ko-Thi Dance is at a crossroads
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

Music

Wisconsin Originals: Les Paul of Waukesha helped make Rock & Roll what it is today
America 250 | Wisconsin State Journal

Presenting

Bill Maher and a Trump Impressionist Walk Into the Kennedy Center ...
The New York Times

Other

Will.i.am Says 'Now Is the Time for the Dreamer' Because 'AI Is Not Doing Imagination Yet'
Variety

How Legal and Governance Risk Differs for Nonprofit Leaders
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

Mind, Body, Art: The Restorative Properties of the Forest is July 1 at MOWA
Washington County Insider
July 1

Summer Gallery Night MKE Returns July 17-18
Urban Milwaukee
July 17 – 18

The Bodacious Blade Show
Bodacious Blades
August 22 – 23

Also

Video: Bodacious Blade Show 2026 | Custom Knife Event in Hubertus, WI
Bodacious Blades
August 22 – 23

Arts and Creativity in Education

Marathon County Historical Society launching kids history camp in Wausau
WSAW
July 7 – 10

Community Arts

What to do in Madison this week: June 29-July 2, 2026
Isthmus
June 29 – July 2

Literary Arts/Libraries

Chalkfest art inspires free creative writing workshop - Marathon County Literacy Council welcomes community to turn chalk drawings into poetry
WSAW
July 29

OPPORTUNITIES

NEW July 2026 Opportunities: Open Calls, Residencies, and Grants for Artists
Colossal
Deadlines: Various

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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

[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

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

Volume One Magazine

Deadline: July 1

[Artist Application and Selection Process](#)

Upper Peninsula Folklife Festival

Deadline: July 1

[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

NEW [14th Annual Youth Art Show](#)

Walker's Point Center for the Arts

Submission Deadline: July 5

[Calling all Artists: Reimagining Wisconsin Through Art](#)

Kids Forward

Deadline: July 6

[NEA FY 2027 Grants for Arts Projects Guidelines Now Available](#)

National Endowment for the Arts

Deadlines: July 9

NEW [Midwest Tintamarresque](#)

Chippewa Valley Museum + UW-Eau Claire

Deadline: July 14

[Preparations Begin for Second Annual Sheboygan Film Festival](#)

Seehafernews.com

July 17 | Late Deadline

NEW [The 7th VH Award Open Call Expands Support for Media Artists](#)

Colossal

Deadline: July 21

[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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