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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Dreams are the foundation of America." – Lupita Nyong'o

"My dream is of a place and a time where America will once again be seen as the last best hope of earth." – Abraham Lincoln

"If the freedom of speech is taken away then dumb and silent we may be led, like sheep to the slaughter." – George Washington

"Ask not what your country can do for you—ask what you can do for your country." – John F. Kennedy

"Down through history, there have been many revolutions, but virtually all of them only exchanged one set of rulers for another set of rulers. Ours was the only truly philosophical revolution. It declared that government would have only those powers granted to it by the people." – Ronald Reagan

"I love America more than any other country in this world, and exactly for this reason, I insist on the right to criticize her perpetually." James Baldwin

"There is nothing wrong with America that cannot be cured with what is right in America." – William J. Clinton

"The essence of America, that which really unites us, is not ethnicity, or nationality or religion. It is an idea, and what an idea it is—that you can come from humble circumstances and do great things." – Condoleezza Rice

"The fact is, with every friendship you make and every bond you establish, you are shaping the image of America projected to the rest of the world." – Michelle Obama

"You have to love a nation that celebrates its independence every July 4th, not with a parade of guns, tanks, and soldiers who file by the White House in a show of strength and muscle, but with family picnics where kids throw Frisbees, the potato salad gets iffy, and the flies die from happiness." – Erma Bombeck

VIDEO OF THE DAY

[Oshkosh Jazz Festival brings music, community, and free entertainment](#)

WeAreGreenBay.com

August 29

[Art at the Mill 2026](#)

Patrick Blasius

[WinterWorks New Play Festival Announcement](#)

Third Avenue PlayWorks

Submissions Accepted July 6 – August 2

[On the Road: Sharing interesting facts about the Wisconsin Memorial Union and the Wisconsin Union Theater](#)

NBC 15 | WMTV

Also

[On the Road: Interview with Elizabeth Snodgrass](#)

NBC 15 | WMTV

[Pink Pony Club | Chappell Roan Folk Cover](#)

Morally Gray

[Waiting on the World to Change | Playing For Change | Song Around The World](#)

Playing For Change

[Fanfare for the Common Man - Aaron Copland](#)

Gewandhausorchester

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 We are Hiring an IS Resources Support Tech (aka Grants and Information Specialist)
Wisconsin Arts Board
Application Deadline: July 8

NEW The Wisconsin Arts Board Congratulates Its FY27 Creative Communities Grantees
Wisconsin Arts Board

NEW The Wisconsin Arts Board Congratulates Its FY27 Folk Arts Apprenticeship Grantees
Wisconsin Arts Board

NEW Creative Processes: Expanding Impact Through Arts & Culture.
Health & Wellbeing Capacity Building Series: From Vision to Action | National League of Cities
July 9

NEW WAB Virtual Office Hours
Wisconsin Arts Board
July 21 @ 11 am – 12:30 pm | For Artists
July 21 @ 1 pm – 2:30 pm | For Organizations

NEW Spotighting Wisconsin - Racine Theatre Guild
Wisconsin Arts Board

NEW Wisconsin State Fair Earns Nomination for Best State Fair
Urban Milwaukee
Vote through July 27

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

NEW Sharing the Spirit of America: A Nationwide Reading of the Declaration of Independence
Wisconsin America250 Commission | Wisconsin Veterans Museum
July 8

[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

[Job Board](#)

Create Wisconsin

Application Deadlines | Various

[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

[10 ft. "Lady Justice" sculpture unveiled in Kenosha's Library Circle](#)
Downtown Kenosha | Wisconsin State Journal

[Norval Morrisseau Case Deepens as Art Expert Says the Artist's Children Were in on Forgery Scheme](#)
ARTnews

Arts and Creativity in Education

[This Local Band is Going National | Wisconsin's Morning News](#)
620 WTMJ

Arts and Healthcare

[I keep noticing how often artists in care and health spaces are positioned as providers of entertainment or distraction rather than contributors to deeper healing processes.](#)
Kelly Feltault | LinkedIn

Community Arts

[16 Local Voices on 250 Years of Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness](#)
Milwaukee Magazine

[Appleton celebrates the enduring magic of Houdini 100 years after his death](#)
Wisconsin Today | Wisconsin Public Radio

[Wisconsin's 22 Most Influential Asian American Leaders, Part 5](#)
Madison365

[As Indian Boarding Schools Oral History Project Concludes, Survivors Describe Feeling Honored and Restored](#)
The Imprint Youth and Family News

Literary Arts/Libraries

[How a Self-Published Book Became a Mega Bestseller](#)
Book Riot

[Walt Whitman | I Hear America Singing](#)
Poets.org

[Langston Hughes | I, Too](#)
Poets.org

[Elizabeth Alexander | Praise Song for the Day](#)
Poets.org

[Aileen Cassinetto | There are no kings in America](#)
Poets.org

Media Arts

[Steven Spielberg on falling in love with movies and becoming a filmmaker](#)
Fresh Air | NPR

Performing Arts

Dance

[Milwaukee's Dancing Grannies head to Washington to celebrate America at 250](#)
Wisconsin Today | Wisconsin Public Radio

Music

[DJ Jazzy Jeff...The Interview](#)
Hyfin

[WISCONSIN POLKA: Little Johnny and his Orchestra / Shelly's Waltz / Wright
824W-4590 / 1971](#)
Mr. Medisterpolse

Presenting

[Kennedy Center Claims It Will Lose 'Hundreds Of Millions' In Donations After
Removing Trump Name](#)
Forbes

Theater/Opera

[Writing & Composing "MKE MVP" | Wisconsin's Midday News](#)
620 WTMJ

[Robert Kimball, Who Helped Uncover a Trove of Broadway History, Dies at 86](#)
The New York Times

Other

[How Nonprofit Strategic Planning Helps to Unlock Transformational Gifts](#)
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

[Brooklyn Doby reception | ART House 360](#)

Isthmus

July 9

[Community Mosaic Project](#)

The Hardy Gallery

July 10 – August 23 | Exhibition

July 10 – Opening Reception

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

[Parades, a Drone Show and So Many Fireworks](#)

Urban Milwaukee

Through July 5

[What to do in Madison this weekend: July 2-5, 2026](#)

Isthmus

Through July 5

[15 Things to Do in Milwaukee This Fourth of July Weekend](#)

Milwaukee Magazine

Through July 5

[Western Wisconsin Weekend: Celebrate the semiquincentennial](#)

Hudson Star-Observer

This Weekend

[Community Events Calendar: July 2-13](#)

The Verona Press

Through July 13

[Wealthspire: Financial Literacy for Artists](#)

Overture Center for the Arts

July 15

[Nonprofit Leaders Retreat](#)

Goodman Nonprofit Center

July 24

[Young Nonprofit Professionals Networking Event](#)

Goodman Nonprofit Center

August 4

[Arts](#)

Madison Magazine

Various

[Wausau Area Events](#)

Wausau Pilot & Review

Various

[Isthmus' 2026 summer festival calendar: July](#)

Isthmus

Various | Summer

Performing Arts

Theater/Opera

[Dominique Noth impacted Milwaukee arts, culture scene for six decades](#)

Obituary | Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

August 2

OPPORTUNITIES

[NEW Residency Opportunities | July + August](#)

Artist Communities Alliance

Various | July + August

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

Deadlines: Various

[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

[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

NEW [WinterWorks New Play Festival Announcement](#)
Third Avenue PlayWorks
Submissions Accepted July 6 – August 2

[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

NEW [Local Artists Encouraged to Submit Pieces for 2026 Bronzeville Artwalk](#)
Urban Milwaukee
Submission Deadline: July 26

[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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