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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“A painting is finished when the artist says it is finished.” – Rembrandt

“The artist who aims at perfection in everything achieves it in nothing.” – Eugene Delacroix

“Love is the extremely difficult realisation that something other than oneself is real. Love, and so art and morals, is the discovery of reality.” – Iris Murdoch

“It’s a sign of mediocrity when you demonstrate gratitude with moderation.” – Roberto Benigni

“Education is the ability to listen to almost anything without losing your temper or your self-confidence.” – Robert Frost

“Facts do not cease to exist because they are ignored.” – Aldous Huxley

“You will do foolish things, but do them with enthusiasm.” – Colette

“There’s only two possibilities: There is life out there in the universe which is smarter than we are, or we’re the most intelligent life in the universe. Either way, it’s a mighty sobering thought.” – Walt Kelly

VIDEO OF THE DAY

[Two decades of art: Sturgeon Bay Art Crawl marks 20th anniversary](#)
WeAreGreenBay.com
July 18 – 19

2026 ChalkFest slated for August 1
WEAU
August 1

[The entire Odyssey in one painting](#)
The National Gallery

[Napalm Death: Tiny Desk Concert](#)
NPR Music

[Rodrigo y Gabriela - OurHome \(Official Video\)](#)
Rodrigo y Gabriela

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 [Spotlighting Wisconsin - Developing Artists, Murals, and Alliances \(DAMA\)](#)
Wisconsin Arts Board

NEW [Generative AI in the Performing Arts Survey](#)
Annie Dorsen and SMU DataArts
July through September

Annie Dorsen is partnering with SMU DataArts to conduct a study of the material impacts of generative AI on artists working in theater, dance, and live music. The survey explores how AI is affecting artists' income, employment opportunities, creative processes, administrative work, and future planning. Findings will help inform policy, advocacy, funding, and support efforts across the field.

This work is part of Artists Make Technology, a collaborative initiative anchored by Mozilla Foundation and the Doris Duke Foundation, in partnership with the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, with additional support from Ford Foundation.

NEW [JEM Applications Due August 1](#)
Travel Wisconsin
Deadline: August 1

NEW [Now Accepting Applications: 2026 Midwest Culture Bearers Award](#)
Arts Midwest
Deadline: August 18

Twenty Years of Showing Up: AFTA, NCAPER and the Work of Building a Resilient Arts Ecosystem
National Coalition for Arts Preparedness and Emergency Response (NCAPER)

NEW [July Newsletter](#)
Americans for the Arts

NEW [Alyssa Fisher Joins Americans for the Arts As Chief Government Affairs Officer](#)
Americans for the Arts

Local Arts Agencies | Creative Copy #34
Wisconsin Arts Board

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

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

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 | July 10, 2026](#)
National Creativity Network

Job Opportunities

[Job Board](#)
Create Wisconsin
Application Deadlines | Various

[Capacity Building Manager](#)
Lifetime Arts
Deadline: July 24

[Human Resources Manager](#)
Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra
Deadline: Until Filled

[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

[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

[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

[Creative Economy Pathways | 2026 Virtual Town Hall Series](#)

Creating Abundance Collaborative

July 29 | Paid Internships and First-Jobs as Creative Youth Development

August 19 | Creative Youth Development Building Backstage, Media, and Production

Pathways

September 23 | Creative and Durable Skill Development for the Future of Work

October 14 | Creative Youth Development Launching the Next Generation of Artists

November 18 | Innovative Creative Economy Networks and Ecosystems

2026 LEAD Conference

Leadership Exchange in Arts & Disability

August 11 | Capacity Building Workshops

August 12 - 14 | Conference

Tradition Bearers, Live!

Wisconsin Humanities

August 20

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

Trump's Smithsonian Critique Is Pathetically Weak

The New Republic

As White House Leans on Smithsonian, Little Uproar Over Board Vacancies

The New York Times

Arts and Creativity in Education

Future Shock: The Crisis in Career Navigation

Future Ed

This new UW-Stout filmmaking course has a goal to teach creative, competent use of AI

The Lee Rayburn Show | Wisconsin Public Radio

UWM partnerships expand student success, workforce development and research across Wisconsin

UWM Report

[John Surdyk Named Director of Colby's Halloran Lab for Entrepreneurship - Experienced educator joins Colby from the University of Wisconsin-Madison to lead innovation hub](#)
Colby News | Colby College

Arts and Healthcare

[Music, Health, and Well-Being: Jon Batiste in Conversation with Walter Isaacson](#)
The Aspen Institute

[Global Social Prescribing Alliance Playbook 2026 Edition](#)
World Health Innovation Summit

[Harms and Negative or Unintended Consequences of Social Prescribing: A Scoping Review](#)
Healthcare | MDPI

[Social Prescribing: Identifying Factors that Influence Mood in Audiences' Experience of Live Music Concerts](#)
Music & Science | Sage Journals

[SF Social Prescribing Vibrant Communities Workshop](#)
Foundation for Social Connection, in partnership with the UCSF Northern California Coalition for Social Connection, Social Prescribing USA, and Front Porch

Community Arts

[Summer Gallery Night MKE 2026 Preview, Donald Baumgartner Tribute & the Mayor of the Champagne of Beers](#)
What's On Tap With Sandy Maxx | 620WTMJ

[Milwaukee Intertribal Circle Has a New Home](#)
Urban Milwaukee, Milwaukee Neighborhood News Service

Literary Arts/Libraries

[Publishers, Authors File Class Action Lawsuit Against Google](#)
Publishers Weekly

[Luis Chaves | The Bricklayer](#)
Poem-a-Day, Poets.org

Media Arts

[The Box Office Bounces Back: Gen Z, Surprise Hits and More Have Hollywood Banking on a \\$10 Billion Year](#)
Variety

Performing Arts

Music

[\[PHOTOS\] The Jaggernauts, The Known Unknowns & DeGoey Moore Band At Mousetrap Tavern](#)
Volume One Magazine

[What if the Wood Used to Make Musical Instruments Becomes Illegal?](#)
The New York Times

Presenting

[Some international artists are skipping U.S. tours. Others may follow suit](#)
Culture | NPR

Theater/Opera

[When Does Demanding Leadership Become Abuse?](#)
Leading Creatively | Chad Bauman

[Andrew Lloyd Webber Says Broadway Is In 'Dire Danger' After CATS Closing](#)
BroadwayWorld.com

Other

[Dear Future Leader](#)
LinkedIn | La'ketta Caldwell

[Nonprofit Leaders Answer: What is the Best Way to Handle Conflicts or Disagreements on a Nonprofit Board?](#)
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

[Racine Art Museum to be awash in color with giant 'Zig and Zag' art installation](#)
Wisconsin Today | Wisconsin Public Radio
Begins July 21

[Post From Community: Gallery Night MKE at Charles Allis Art Museum](#)
Milwaukee Neighborhood News Service
July 17 – 18

Arts and Creativity in Education

[UW-Stevens Point American Suzuki Institute returns with public performances](#)

UW-Stevens Point

July 20 – 31 | Public Performances

Community Arts

[Kailey's Makers Market to open in downtown Wausau](#)

Wausau Pilot & Review

July 16

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

Stevens Point Journal

July 16 – 19

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

Wisconsin Rapids Daily Tribune

July 16 – 19

[5 fun events happening in Madison this week, July 16-22](#)

The Capital Times

July 16 – 22

[Alley Night Market returns to downtown De Pere on July 17 with new locations and expanded entertainment](#)

WBAY

July 17, August 21

[Manitowoc weekend events include sand art and live music](#)

Manitowoc Herald Times Reporter

July 17 – 19

[Picnic & Recipe Swap](#)

Milwaukee Kitchen

July 26

Literary Arts/Libraries

[Antigo Public Library celebrates newspaper digitizing project](#)

Wisconsin Newspaper Association News

July 15

Performing Arts

Music

[Northwoods Strings to host music jam July 20](#)

Sawyer County Record

July 20

Auditions

Master Singers of Milwaukee

September 1

Tony Award-Winning Broadway Star Joshua Henry to Make Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra Debut

Urban Milwaukee

April 30, 2027

Presenting

High Mileage & Dave Rogers and the Tone-Benders

Moon Tunes, Valley View Rotary

July 16

38th annual Wisconsin Paperfest to celebrate America's 250th anniversary

WeAreGreenBay.com

July 16 – 19

THE BOOK OF MORMON, THE WIZ & More Set for Broadway In Green Bay at The Weidner

BroadwayWorld.com

Season

Theater/Opera

Groundlings theater takes off in Waunakee

Isthmus

July 17 - 26

OPPORTUNITIES

Residency Opportunities | July + August

Artist Communities Alliance

Various | July + August

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.

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

WinterWorks New Play Festival Announcement

Third Avenue PlayWorks

Submissions Accepted July 6 – August 2

Preparations Begin for Second Annual Sheboygan Film Festival

Seehafernews.com

July 17 | Late Deadline

The 7th VH Award Open Call Expands Support for Media Artists

Colossal

Deadline: July 21

Local Artists Encouraged to Submit Pieces for 2026 Bronzeville Artwalk

Urban Milwaukee

Submission Deadline: July 26

NEW [America@250: Colors of Freedom](#)

Junior Artists

Submission Deadline: July 31

[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

NEW [Now Accepting Applications: 2026 Midwest Culture Bearers Award](#)

Arts Midwest

Deadline: August 18

[Wisconsin Photography 2026](#)

Racine Art Museum

Deadline: August 24

NEW [Auditions](#)

Master Singers of Milwaukee

September 1

[Nordic Folk Arts & Cultural Traditions in the Upper Midwest](#)

American-Scandinavian Foundation

Deadline: September 15

[Independence 250 Call for Creativity](#)

ARTS for ALL Wisconsin

Deadline: September 17

[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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