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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"On TV the people can see it. On radio you've got to create it." – Bob Uecker

"I start a picture and I finish it." – Jean-Michel Basquiat

"Neither is there figurative and non-figurative art. All things appear to us in the shape of forms. Even in metaphysics ideas are expressed by forms, well then think how absurd it would be to think of painting without the imagery of forms. A figure, an object, a circle, are forms; they affect us more or less intensely." – Pablo Picasso

"The greatest achievements of men, were at first, nothing but dreams of the minds of men who knew that dreams are the seedlings of all achievements. A burning desire, to be and to do, is the starting point, from which the dreamer must take off." – Napoleon Hill

"People always call it luck when you've acted more sensibly than they have." – Anne Tyler

"Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can." – John Wesley

"I set records that will never be equaled. In fact, I hope 90% of them don't even get printed." – Bob Uecker

VIDEO OF THE DAY

The art of understanding: Wisconsin vets share their stories | The Arts Page
Milwaukee PBS

Lifelong Brewers fan designs postseason art for team
WBAY

From Les Miz to Big Frank to Ben Tajnai, Brewers World Series run inspires fans to make music
CBS 58 | WDJT

New Brewers mural outside Major Goolsby's
Fox 6 Milwaukee

I started driving an ice cream truck after my marriage ended
The Moth

Brìghde Chaimbeul: Tiny Desk Concert
NPR Music

> *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 Mind the gap: 97% of arts insiders support federal arts funding. Among Americans surveyed, that figure is 42 points lower — just 55%.
Americans for the Arts, LinkedIn

NEW Neuroarts Global Summit 2026
International Arts + Mind Lab and Aspen Institute
December 2 – 3 | Washington DC and Virtual

NEW Creative Careers in Wisconsin | Creative Copy #39
Wisconsin Arts Board

NEW National Endowment for the Arts Releases New Report on How the Arts Can Help Address the Opioid Crisis
National Endowment for the Arts

NEW ArtsVote Open Call Winning Design by Roberto Muntoreanu
ArtsVote

Join the Co-op Program
Travel Wisconsin
Now Open

Introducing the Arts Funding Finder
Arts Midwest
Deadlines: Various

Visit 3, Get a T!
Wisconsin Art Destinations
Through November 15

Join the Accessibility Committee
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

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

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 | October 23, 2026
National Creativity Network

Job Opportunities

Job Board
Create Wisconsin
Application Deadlines | Various

Care Navigator (Ongoing Opportunity)
Social Rx
Deadline: Ongoing

Recreation Supervisor of Arts and Humanities Programs
Milwaukee Recreation
Deadline: October 26

Chief Revenue Officer
Wisconsin Department of Tourism
Deadline: October 29

Education Director
Forte Theatre Company
Deadline: October 29

Aly's Arts in Health Job Board
Aly Maier & Arts in Health Inc.
Deadlines: Various

Academic Engagement Associate
Haggerty Museum of Art | Marquette University
Deadline: Until Filled

Assistant House Manager
Skylight Music Theatre
Deadline: Until Filled

Studio Supervisor
Skylight Music Theatre
Deadline: Until Filled

Executive Director
Capitol Civic Centre
Deadline: Until Filled

Chief Philanthropy Officer
Milwaukee Youth Symphony Orchestra
Deadline: Until Filled

Facilities Coordinator
ArtStart Rhinelander
Deadline: Until Filled

Program & Administrative Assistant
ArtStart Rhinelander
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

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

Development Coordinator
Opera for the Young
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

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

NOAHCON
National Organization for Arts in Health
October 28 | Virtual Day

2026 Wisconsin State Music Conference
Wisconsin Music Educators Association
October 28 – 31 | Monona Terrace Community & Convention Center

Emerging Program Institute (EPI)
Artist Communities Alliance
Registration is Open
October 29, 30 | EPI | Virtual

WAEA Fall Conference
Wisconsin Art Education Association
October 30 - 31 | Waunakee

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

The Institute of Museum and Library Services is Accepting Fiscal Year 2027 Grant Applications to Strengthen America's Cultural Heritage
Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)
Deadline: November 13

Creative Economy Pathways | 2026 Virtual Town Hall Series
Creating Abundance Collaborative
November 18 | Innovative Creative Economy Networks and Ecosystems

Wisconsin Interscholastic Theatre Festival
Wisconsin Interscholastic Speech & Dramatic Arts Association
November 19 - 21 | UW-Parkside

NEW Now Accepting Applications: 2027-28 National Endowment for the Arts Big Read
Arts Midwest
January 12 | Phase 1 Deadline
January 26 | Final Deadline

Also
NEW Five Tips for Linking Your Big Read Programming to Sports
Arts Midwest

2027 NAMM Show
National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM)
January 26 – 30 | Anaheim, CA

Wisconsin Governor's Conference on Tourism 2027
Travel Wisconsin
March 14 – 16, 2027 | Appleton

Connected for Health: The Inaugural U.S. Social Prescribing Conference
Institute for Social Prescribing | University of Michigan + Social Prescribing USA
March 24 - 26 | Ann Arbor, MI

NEW Wisconsin Screenwriters' Symposium
UW-Madison Department of Communication Arts & International Screenwriters Association
April 9 – 11

Closing Session: The Future of Music and Independent Venues | Sociable City Summit
Responsible Hospitality Institute (RHI)
April 26 - 28 | Philadelphia

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

Milwaukee Art Museum Bets a Monet on a Brewers World Series Victory
Urban Milwaukee

Also
The Ultimate World Series Wager
Milwaukee Art Museum and Visit Milwaukee | Facebook

Where To Find Brewers-Inspired Murals And Monuments In Milwaukee
Urban Milwaukee

Also
Brewers World Series inspires stunning Jackson Chourio chalk portrait in Milwaukee
620WTMJ

Lifelong Brewers fan designs postseason art for team
WBAY

From Les Miz to Big Frank to Ben Tajnai, Brewers World Series run inspires fans to make music
CBS 58 | WDJT

New Brewers mural outside Major Goolsby's
Fox 6 Milwaukee

Help Choose Milwaukee County's Next Public Art Award Winner
Urban Milwaukee
Nominations Accepted November 1 – December 31

Arts and Healthcare

Effort looks to fight loneliness through social prescribing
Wisconsin Health News

Healing in Harmony: An Artist Bridging Performance, Education, and Healing
Where Arts Meets Medicine | Stanford Creative and Healing Arts

Neuroarts Global Summit 2026
International Arts + Mind Lab and Aspen Institute
December 2 – 3 | Washington DC and Virtual

Community Arts

Creative Community Champion Award 2026 | City of Oshkosh
Create Wisconsin

Folk Arts/Folklife

Japan Fest returns to Milwaukee in celebration of cultural ties and international friendship
Milwaukee Independent

Intertribal Manoomin camp brings communities closer through traditional teachings
Wisconsin Public Radio

Literary Arts/Libraries

A Local Couple is Set to Release a Memoir About Survival and Recovery
Seehafernews.com

Lewis Carroll | The Message to the Fish
Poem-a-Day, Poets.org

Performing Arts

Theater/Opera

4 Objects That Measure the Life of 'Rent'
The New York Times

Other

Hallucination & Understanding in the Age of AI
Arts Management and Technology Laboratory

How to Approach Nonprofit Program Expansion Without Losing Focus
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

Milwaukee exhibition explores the many feelings, experiences of infertility
Wisconsin Today | Wisconsin Public Radio
Through November 21

"I Am Rooted, But I Flow": Ciel Skål Brings Monochromatic Compositions to Miller Art Museum's 12 x 12 Project
Miller Art Museum
November 2 - 30 | Exhibition
November 7 | Artist Talk and Reception

Textile Art Market
Isthmus
November 6

Madison's holiday arts and crafts fairs, pop-up markets are in full swing
Isthmus
Various

Arts and Creativity in Education

k1, p2: from Handknits to Computational Design
Lynn Mecklenburg Textile Gallery | Nancy M. Bruce Center for Design and Material Culture | School of Human Ecology | UW-Madison
Through December 6, 2026

The Science of Human Thriving: Celebrating 100 Years of the Child Development Lab
Ruth Davis Design Gallery | Nancy M. Bruce Center for Design and Material Culture | School of Human Ecology | UW-Madison
Through February 28

Chorfest at UW-Superior
Perfect Duluth Day
October 27

Knitted Dimensions: Knit, Technology, and Spatial Practices
Nancy Nicholas Hall | Nancy M. Bruce Center for Design and Material Culture | School of Human Ecology | UW-Madison
October 28 – May 2, 2027

UW-Superior Theatre presents Mr. Burns, a Post-Electric Play
Perfect Duluth Day
October 30 – November 1; 5 – 7

Sweater Weather
Lynn Mecklenburg Textile Gallery | Nancy M. Bruce Center for Design and Material Culture | School of Human Ecology | UW-Madison
February 10–May 9, 2027

Community Arts

What to do in Madison this week: Oct. 26-29, 2026
Isthmus
October 26 – 29

Literary Arts/Libraries

Poetry & art orgs plan Racine takeover: Free Registration!
The Poetry Movement
December 5

Media Arts

Special Community Screening: Take me Home | Caring Across Generation and filmmaker Liz Sargent
Aging & Disability Resource Center of Eau Claire County
November 6

Also
Take me Home Trailer

Performing Arts

Theater/Opera

Reading of New Play by Bruce Murphy at Pink Umbrella Theater
Urban Milwaukee
November 1

OPPORTUNITIES

October 2026 Opportunities: Open Calls, Residencies, and Grants for Artists
Colossal
Various

Residency Opportunities | October + November
Artist Communities Alliance
Various | October + November

Introducing the Arts Funding Finder
Arts Midwest
Deadlines: Various

The Mary L. Nohl Suitcase Export Fund Opens 2026 Summer Cycle
Lynden Sculpture Garden
Deadline: Until funds for this cycle are expended

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

Nonprofit Capacity Building Grant
St. Croix Valley Foundation
Deadline: Rolling

Open Call for Queer Artists
OutReach LGBTQ+ Community Center
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

2027 ACC Fellowships and Grants
Asian Cultural Council
Applications Accepted: Through November 10

Fresh Water Press seeks stories of lakeshore life for new anthology
Manitowoc Herald Times Reporter
Submit Through December 15

Wisconsin Creates Statewide K-12 Art Competition
School Choice Wisconsin
Deadline: Art received from October 19 – 30

Craft at the Archives of American Art
Smithsonian's Archives of American Art
October 29

Emerging Program Institute (EPI) 2026
Artist Communities Alliance
October 29 – 30 | Virtual

Small Works Open Call
Carnelian Art Gallery
Deadline: November 2026

NEW Help Choose Milwaukee County's Next Public Art Award Winner
Urban Milwaukee
Nominations Accepted November 1 – December 31

2027 Joy Grant
Joy Engine
Deadline: November 2

Now Accepting Applications for GIG Fund: Interstate Touring
Arts Midwest
Phase 1 Deadline | November 4
Phase 2 Deadline | November 17

A Regional Juried Call for Art: Here & Now
Bristol Art Museum, OnlineJuriedShows.com
Submission Deadline: November 8

Indigenous Wisconsin: Beyond Acknowledgement
Madison365
November 9 - December 11 | Exhibition

Enter Now: Wisconsin's Own Screenplay Competition
International Screenwriters Association
November 10 | Early Entry Deadline
December 23 | Normal Entry Deadline
January 20 | Late Entry Deadline

Submit an NEA Jazz Masters Fellowship Nomination
National Endowment for the Arts
Deadline: November 12

The Institute of Museum and Library Services is Accepting Fiscal Year 2027 Grant Applications to Strengthen America's Cultural Heritage
Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)
Deadline: November 13

Racine Art Museum's "Accidentally Wes Anderson" exhibit asks visitors to find Wisconsin's cinematic beauty
Milwaukee Independent
Submission Deadline: November 15

Call for Applications: ACRE Summer Artist Residency Program
ACRE Projects
Deadline: November 16

Access/VSA Emerging Young Artists Program
Access/VSA International Network
Deadline: November 19

Access/VSA International Young Musicians Program
Access/VSA International Network
Deadline: November 19

Access/VSA Playwright Discovery Program
Access/VSA International Network
Deadline: November 19

Music Education Partnership Grants
Chorus America
Deadline: November 20

Levitt Family Foundation's 2027 Festival Grants
Levitt Family Foundation
Deadline: November 20

A National Juried Call for Collage Art: Torn Boundaries
Bristol Art Museum, OnlineJuriedShows.com
Submission Deadline: November 29

18th Annual International Drawing Discourse Exhibition
Creative West
Submission Deadline: November 29

Bristol Art Museum Announces National Call for Collage for Torn Boundaries
Bristol Art Museum
Deadline: November 29

Kenosha seeks nominations for lifetime achievement
Wisconsin State Journal, Kenosha News
Deadline: November 30 (For Kenosha County Residents)

Anthony Quinn Foundation Scholarship
Anthony Quinn Foundation
November 30 | Registration Deadline
January 5 | Application Deadline

Exhibiting Craft History through Archival Research
Smithsonian's Archives of American Art
December 2

Open call for your artists: Down the Lane Artist Residency, Melbourne, March 2027
Down the Lane Studios
Deadline: December 20

Wisconsin's Own
Wisconsin Film Festival
Deadline: December 31; An early-bird discount on entry fees for non-students is available for films submitted no later than December 1, 2026.

Wisconsin's Own Student
Wisconsin Film Festival
Deadline: December 31

Now Accepting Applications: 2027-28 National Endowment for the Arts Big Read
Arts Midwest
January 12 | Phase 1 Deadline
January 26 | Final Deadline

Annual Call to Artists Now Open!
Pump House Regional Arts Center
Deadline: January 31 | 2027 - 2028 Gallery Exhibition Season
Deadline: January 31 | 2026 - 2027 Driftless Ceramics Biennial Group Exhibition
Deadline: January 31 | 2027 Artspire Fine Art Fair Vendor

Gallery Q sets submission deadline for Culture & Agriculture exhibit
Stevens Point Journal
Deadline: January 31

Group Glass Show
Carnelian Art Gallery
Submission Deadline: March 1

2027 Pro Musica International Choral Festival
Albany Pro Musica
July 19 - 24 | Kingston, Ontario Canada

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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