

# WISCONSIN ARTS NEWS



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**November 4, 2025**

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*Giving Tuesday*  
**December 2**

## QUOTE OF THE DAY

“The power of a book lies in its power to turn a solitary act into a shared vision. As long as we have books, we are not alone.” – Laura Welch Bush

“A great book should leave you with many experiences, and slightly exhausted. You should live several lives while reading it.” – William Styron

“The aim of every artist is to arrest motion, which is life, by artificial means and hold it fixed so that a hundred years later, when a stranger looks at it, it moves again since it is life. Since man is mortal, the only immortality possible for him is to leave something behind him that is immortal since it will always move. This is the artist’s way of scribbling “Kilroy was here” on the wall of the final and irrevocable oblivion through which he must someday pass.” – William Faulkner

“All a poet can do today is warn. That is why the true Poets must be truthful.” – Wilfred Owen

“Every man is his own ancestor, and every man his own heir. He devises his own future, and he inherits his own past.” – H. F. Hedge

"I'm sick of following my dreams. I'm just going to ask them where they're goin', and hook up with them later." – Mitch Hedberg

## VIDEO OF THE DAY

[Lakeland Union High School band program holds craft fair to raise funds](#)  
*WJFW*

[Barrio Dance performs at the Why Sci Variety Show](#)  
*UW-Madison Division of the Arts*

[UWL's "Tick, Tick... Boom!" explores the pursuit of passion vs. stable success](#)  
*WXOW*

**Through November 16 | Thursdays - Sundays**

[2025 Pumpkin Lady Sizzle 1.mp4](#)  
*The Pumpkin Lady of Fond du Lac.*

Also

[A Small Town, a Big Imagination, and One Unforgettable Story](#)  
*GoFundMe*

*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](mailto:artsboard@wisconsin.gov)!*

## TOP WISCONSIN NEWS

### FROM THE WISCONSIN ARTS BOARD

[NEW FY2027 Creative Communities Grant Program and America250 Grant Program Now Open](#)

*Wisconsin Arts Board*

**February 11 | Intent to Apply Deadline**

**February 18 | Application Deadline**

[NEW WI Arts & Creativity Newsletter: Vol 4, Issue 3 - Nov 2025](#)

*Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction*

[NEW It's always been hard to make it as an artist in America – and it's becoming only harder](#)

*The Conversation*

**NEW 2026 Wisconsin Governor's Tourism Awards**

*Travel Wisconsin*

**Nominations Deadline: December 3**

**Handwork: Celebrating American Craft 2026**

*Craft in America*

**Spotlighting Wisconsin – ArtBeet**

*Wisconsin Arts Board*

**Proximity and Performing Arts Attendance**

*The Wallace Foundation*

**Creative Copy Edition #20 | America250 Grant Program Application Opens Soon**

*Wisconsin Arts Board*

**Lifting the Curtain: New Study Puts the Economics of Indie Venues Center Stage**

*Arts Midwest*

**Why Wisconsin?**

*Frank Juarez*

**Counting the Uncounted: Artists Living on the Margins of Federal Statistics**

*SMU DataArts*

**Cultivating Creativity and Connection Through Youth Arts**

*The Wallace Foundation*

**Meet the Winners of the 2025 Midwest Culture Bearers Award**

*Arts Midwest*

*The Wisconsin Arts Board congratulates Wisconsin recipient Gabriela Jiménez Marván of Viroqua!*

**2026 Co-op**

*Travel Wisconsin*

**Most opportunities are limited and available on a first-come-first-serve basis**

Also

**2026 Co-op Sell Sheets**

*Travel Wisconsin*

**Most opportunities are limited and available on a first-come-first-serve basis**

**Why creativity is the most employable skill of the next decade—and how to inspire it**

*Fast Company Executive Board*

**2025-2027 Wisconsin Poet Laureate Project**

*Wisconsin Poet Laureate Commission*

## **NEA | National Endowment for the Arts**

[NEA cancels decades-long creative writing fellowship](#)

*Books | NPR*

For more articles on NEA, click [HERE](#).

## **NEH | National Endowment for the Humanities**

[NEW Despite funding cuts, Wisconsin Humanities has a plan and a pathway for 2026](#)

*Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*

Also

[Update | It sure feels good](#)

*Wisconsin Humanities*

[Trump Fires Members of Humanities Council](#)

*The New York Times*

[White House fires many members of the National Council on the Humanities](#)

*Reuters*

[Press Release: NEH Announces Reorganization of its Grantmaking Offices, Programs, and Personnel](#)

*National Endowment for the Humanities*

*National Endowment for the Humanities*

For more articles on NEH, click [HERE](#).

## **IMLS | Institute of Museum and Library Services**

[Increased Public Library Usage Shown by IMLS Survey Data](#)

*Office of Research and Evaluation | Institute of Museum and Library Services*

Also

[Judge says administration can dismantle the Institute of Museum and Library Services](#)

*AP News*

*AP News*

For more articles on IMLS, click [HERE](#).

## **NPR, PBS, and the Corporation for Public Broadcasting**

[Opinion | A ray of hope for public broadcasting](#)

*Plain Talk by Dave Zweifel | The Cap Times*

For more articles on NPR, PBS, and CPB, click [HERE](#).

Arts Board Panelist Open Call

*Wisconsin Arts Board*

Opportunity Attraction Fund

*Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation | WEDC*

Arts & Culture Accessibility Self-Assessment

*Open Door Arts*

**NEW** NCN Articles of Interest | October 31, 2025

*National Creativity Network*

**Job Opportunities**

Arts Hub Pottery Studio Manager (Part-Time)

*Waupaca Arts Hub*

**Deadline: November 7**

Communication & Engagement Coordinator

*Milwaukee Ballet*

**Deadline: Until Filled**

Director of Development - Peninsula School of Art

*Spano | Pratt*

**Deadline: Until Filled**

Technical Director - Performing Arts & Education Center (PAEC)

*Oak Creek Performing Arts & Education Center | WI Education Career Access Network*

**Deadline: Until Filled**

Education Program Facilitator

*Racine Art Museum*

**Deadline: Until Filled**

Registrar Assistant (Temporary 8 - 12 Months)

*Racine Art Museum*

**Deadline: Until Filled**

Arts and Culture Reporter | Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

*Dayforce Jobs*

**Deadline: Until Filled**

President | Goodman Community Center

*Spano | Pratt*

**Deadline: Until Filled**

Chief Curator

*Haggerty Museum of Art | Marquette University*

**Deadline: Until Filled**

Media Relations and Marketing Manager

*UCC/Latino Arts*

**Deadline: Until Filled**

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

**Deadlines | Resources | Events**

America's Invitation | Share Your Story

*America 250*

**Deadline: Before July 4, 2026**

We're Back with Another Capacity Building Webinar Series

*Creative West*

**Through September 8, 2026**

Finalists set for 2025 Wisconsin Innovation Awards; to be celebrated Nov. 4 at networking reception

*Wisconsin Innovation Awards*

**November 4**

Artists at Work: Rethinking Policy for Artistic Careers | Dr. Joanna Woronkovicz

*Strategic National Arts Alumni Project (SNAAP) & Indiana University in Bloomington*

**November 5**

Webinar Series: You've Got This! How Arts Orgs Can Navigate Through Risk and Change

*Arts Midwest*

**November 5 | The Cloud Ate My Homework: Building an Archive for Digital Materials**

Early Stage Symposium

*Wisconsin Technology Council & Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation*

**November 5 – 6**

The Global Executive Arts Management Fellowship

*DeVos Institute of Arts and Nonprofit Management*

**Deadline: November 6**

Empower + Connect: Career Fair and Professional Networking Social

*Culture/Design*

**November 6**

Amplify & Ignite

*American Alliance for Theatre & Education*

**November 7 - 9 | Salt Lake City, UT**

2025 AAC Annual Convening  
*Arts Administrators of Color Network*  
**November 8 - 9 | Los Angeles, CA**

Artist Get Ready Grants  
*CERF+*  
**Deadline: November 11**

Find Your Tribe: Building Collaborations: Harnessing collective talent to power creative & economic growth  
*Culture/Design*  
**November 12**

Homelands: Conversations About Native Art and Museums  
*Milwaukee Art Museum*  
**November 13 - 14**

Community Conversations "Arts for Everyone, Everywhere"  
*UW-Madison Division of the Arts*  
**November 13 | Zoom**  
**November 13 | Viroqua**  
**November 14 | Keshena**  
**November 15 | Wausau**

35th Anniversary Conference | Building Our Future Together  
*Artist Communities Alliance*  
**December 8 – 11 | Santa Fe, NM**

APAP Conference  
*Association of Performing Arts Professionals*  
**January 9 – 13 | New York City**

Now Accepting Applications: 2026-27 NEA Big Read  
*Arts Midwest*  
**January 15 | Mandatory Intent to Apply**  
**January 29 | Application Deadline**

USArtists International  
*Mid Atlantic Arts*  
**Deadline: February 25**

**NEW** 2026 National Conference  
*American String Teachers Association*  
**February 25 - 28 | San Francisco, CA**

Brick by Brick | WIGCOT 2026  
*Travel Wisconsin*  
**March 15 – 17 | Milwaukee**

## 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**

#### E.C. Children's Museum Waives Fees for SNAP, WIC Families

*Volume One Magazine*

#### Social Experiences and Museums, Part Two: A 2025 Annual Survey of Museum-Goers

Data Story

*Alliance Blog | American Alliance of Museums*

#### 'I try to make them feel as ignorant as possible': German museum's 'grumpy guide' is surprise hit

*The Guardian*

### **Arts and Creativity in Education**

#### WI Arts & Creativity Newsletter: Vol 4, Issue 3 - Nov 2025

*Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction*

#### Introducing Accessible Arts Education: Principles, Habits and Strategies to Unleash Every Student's Creativity and Learning

*ArtsEd Amplified | Arts Education Partnership*

#### UW-Green Bay join forces with gener8tor, announce startup accelerator program

*All In Wisconsin | Universities of Wisconsin*

### **Arts and Healthcare**

[SPARK! program in northcentral Wisconsin uses art to connect people living with memory loss](#)

*Morning Edition | Wisconsin Public Radio*

## **Community Arts**

[UWM Panther Arena, Miller High Life Theatre are historic, panel says. That could stop demolition](#)

*Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*

[Five Polish mayors visit Chippewa Valley for Congressional Cultural Exchange Program](#)  
*WEAU*

## **Folk Arts/Folklife**

[Exhibition Spotlighting Indigenous Roots of Lacrosse on View at Field Museum](#)

*Native News Online*

## **Literary Arts/Libraries**

[Revised Milwaukee Streets Book Dishes the Dirt](#)

*Plenty of Horne | Urban Milwaukee*

[C.K. Williams | I Hate](#)

*Poem of the Day | Poetry Foundation*

## **Media Arts**

['A Cherry Pie Christmas' rom-com highlights Door County's charm, local businesses](#)

*Spectrum News 1*

[Connect and reflect on THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION with PBS Wisconsin through the America@250 Initiative](#)

*PBS Wisconsin*

**Deadline: December 17**

## **Performing Arts**

### **Music**

[Without the song, 'The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald' may have been largely forgotten](#)

*Lake Geneva Regional News*

## **Other**

[Overhead is undervalued](#)

*ArtsManaged Field Notes | E. Andrew Taylor*

[Integrate GivingTuesday Into Your Year-End Campaign for Greater Impact — and a Lighter Workload](#)

*NonProfit Pro*

[ESSENTIAL: Series on the Future of Creative Work | Part 1: Vulnerability is the new swagger.](#)

*Theo Edmonds | Culture Futurist®*

## **WHEN YOU GO**

For more event listings, please go to the new Wisconsin Events page on TravelWisconsin.com: <https://www.travelwisconsin.com/events>.

### **Arts and Creativity in Education**

[Comedy musical 'Ride the Cyclone' hits UW-Stevens Point stage in November](#)

*Point/Plover Metro Wire*

**November 7 – 9**

### **Folk Arts/Folklife**

[More than 40 Native American artists will be featured at Saturday's Native Art Market](#)

*Madison365*

**November 8**

### **Literary Arts/Libraries**

[After Near Cancellation, the Southeast Wisconsin Festival of Books Is Back](#)

*Milwaukee Magazine*

**November 7 – 8**

[Free books, family fun on tap at United Way event in Manitowoc Nov. 8](#)

*Manitowoc Herald Times Reporter*

**November 8**

### **Media Arts**

[The Braid Presents: Stories from Violins of Hope Film with Talkback](#)

*Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*

**December 3**

### **Performing Arts**

**Presenting**

Stoughton, WISCONSIN – Harp Twins Christmas Concert

*HNG News*

**December 5**

BoDeans to play Green Bay for 40th anniversary of debut album

*Green Bay Press-Gazette*

**June 5**

## **Theater/Opera**

Eau Claire Children's Theatre (11/03/25)

*WEAU*

**November 6 | Flannel and Fabulous Fundraiser**

**November 7 - 9 | You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown**

**November 21 - 23 | How the Grinch Stole Christmas! The Musical**

## **OPPORTUNITIES**

**NEW** November 2025 Opportunities: Open Calls, Residencies, and Grants for Artists

*Colossal*

**Deadlines: Various**

Nonprofit Capacity Building Grant

*St. Croix Valley Foundation*

**Deadline: Rolling**

Residency Opportunities | October + November 2025

*Artist Communities Alliance*

**Various | October + November**

Boost Your Art Career With SVA Continuing Education Courses, Workshops, and Residencies

*Colossal*

**Various**

Mary L. Nohl Suitcase Export Fund

*The Lynden Sculpture Garden and Greater Milwaukee Foundation*

**Deadline: Until Funds Are Exhausted for This Cycle**

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**

[VIA Art Fund invites applications for artistic production grants](#)

*Philanthropy News Digest*

**Deadline: November 6 (Letters of Inquiry)**

[The Global Executive Arts Management Fellowship](#)

*DeVos Institute of Arts and Nonprofit Management*

**Deadline: November 6**

[Wisconsin STEAM Sleuth Society \(WSSS\)](#)

*Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction*

**Deadline: November 7**

[Artist Get Ready Grants](#)

*CERF+*

**Deadline: November 11**

[Conference on College Composition & Communication invites applications for Tribal](#)

[College Faculty Fellowship](#)

*Philanthropy News Digest*

**Deadline: November 15**

[Women's Studio Workshop invites applications for Art-in-Education Artist Book Residency](#)

*Philanthropy News Digest*

**Deadline: November 15**

[Artist Submissions Open](#)

*Carnelian Art Gallery*

**Deadlines: November 15, December 15**

[Green Bay seeks inaugural Poet Laureate to enrich city's literary arts](#)  
*WTAQ*

**Deadline: November 18**

[Applications for Summer 2026](#)  
*ACRE Residency*

**Deadline: November 18**

[A National Call for Art | Theme: When in the Course of Human Events...](#)  
*Bristol Art Museum*

**Deadline: November 23**

**NEW** [17th Annual International Drawing Discourse Exhibition](#)  
*University of North Carolina Asheville | Café*

**Deadline: November 30**

[Crayola Creativity Week Global Ambassadors](#)  
*Crayola*

**Deadline: November 30**

[2026 Anthony Quinn Foundation Scholarships](#)  
*The Anthony Quinn Foundation*

**November 30 | Registration Deadline**  
**January 4 | Final Application Deadline**

[2026 Wisconsin Governor's Tourism Awards](#)  
*Travel Wisconsin*

**Nominations Deadline: December 3**

[Shubert Foundation invites applications from nonprofit theaters](#)  
*Philanthropy News Digest*

**Deadline: December 4**

[Site-Specific Installation for PEEPS® Brand Art Exhibition 2026](#)  
*Racine Art Museum*

**Deadline: December 5**

[Fine Arts Work Center invites applications for writing fellowships](#)  
*Philanthropy News Digest*

**Deadline: December 15**

[PBS Wisconsin offering \\$500 grants for community conversations on American democracy](#)  
*Merrill Foto News*

**Deadline: Apply through December 17**

[United for Libraries and Penguin Random House Grants to U.S. Rural and Small Libraries](#)  
*United for Libraries | American Library Association*

**Applications Open from December 17 - January 21**

[Submissions for Up-and-Coming Artists Now Open to Perform during Summerfest 2026](#)

*Urban Milwaukee*

**Deadline: December 21**

[Bobby Anspach Studios Foundation invites applications for inaugural grants program](#)

*Philanthropy News Digest*

**Deadline: December 30**

[Wisconsin public school districts encouraged to apply for Fab Labs Grants](#)

*WEDC*

**Deadline: January 15**

[2026 Aviation Art Contest - "Fly to Save Lives"](#)

*Wisconsin Department of Transportation*

**Deadline: January 16, 2026**

[RAM Artist Fellowships and Emerging Artist Award](#)

*Racine Art Museum*

**Deadline: January 23**

[2026 North American Competition & Festival](#)

*PianoArts*

**Deadline: January 26**

[Applying for Shakespeare in American Communities: Schools](#)

*Arts Midwest*

**January 29 | Intent to Apply (Mandatory)**

**February 12 | Application Deadline**

[Applying For Shakespeare In American Communities: Juvenile Justice](#)

*Arts Midwest*

**January 29 | Intent to Apply (Mandatory)**

**February 12 | Application Deadline**

[Best Communities for Music Education Award](#)

*NAMM Foundation*

**Deadline: January 31**

[Creative Power](#)

*ARTS for ALL Wisconsin*

**Call for Art submission deadline: February 14**

[USArtists International](#)

*Mid Atlantic Arts*

**Deadline: February 25**

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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