

WISCONSIN ARTS NEWS



Partnering with Artists and Organizations for Our Wisconsin Communities

November 17, 2025

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Giving Tuesday
December 2

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“I’ve been absolutely terrified every moment of my life - and I’ve never let it keep me from doing a single thing I wanted to do.” – Georgia O’Keeffe

“A big part of being an actress specifically is feeling entitled to your artistic opinion, feeling that it means something, and being able to stand by it.” – Maggie Gyllenhaal

“Every now and then a clear harmonic cry gave new suggestions of a tune that would someday be the only tune in the world and would raise men’s souls to joy.” – Jack Kerouac

“So much of what we do as artists is a combination of personal experience and imagination, and how that all creeps into your work is not so linear.” – Diana Krall

“Those who do not want to imitate anything, produce nothing.” – Salvador Dali

“Cinema is a matter of what’s in the frame and what’s out.” – Martin Scorsese

“I keep a lighter in my back pocket all the time. I’m not a smoker, I just really like certain songs.” – Demetri Martin

VIDEO OF THE DAY

[Honoring Wisconsin's First Nations this Native American Heritage Month](#)

PBS Wisconsin

[You've Got a Thing! | S4 E9 Skylight Music Thtr: Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat 11.13.25](#)

Milwaukee Theatre Alliance

Through December 28

[Largest Mural in Wisconsin: Along Cummins Plant in Oshkosh](#)

WLUK-TV FOX 11

[EAST highlights diverse expressions behind modern craft in the eastern region of America](#)

Craft in America

Premieres December 19

[WEST celebrates the continuum of heritage and the handmade in the American west](#)

Craft in America

Premieres December 19

[Hillary Reynolds - "Can't Turn Off My Mind" \(Official Music Video\)](#)

Hillary Reynolds

[One Fine Day: David Byrne Performs His Hymn of Optimism and Countercultural Anthem of Resistance and Resilience with the Brooklyn Youth Chorus](#)

The Marginalian

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 [National Endowment for the Arts Statement on the Death of Former NEA Chairman Bill Ivey](#)

National Endowment for the Arts

NEW [Creative Copy # 21 | Art Markets](#)

Wisconsin Arts Board

NEW [Fired Scholars and Big Grants to Favored Projects: Inside Trump's N.E.H.](#)

The New York Times

[Did You Know? Arts and the Military Edition](#)
National Endowment for the Arts

[Spotlighting Wisconsin - Artists Working in Education](#)
Wisconsin Arts Board

[Arts Midwest's Living Commitment to Native Nations: 2025 Update](#)
Arts Midwest

[WI Arts & Creativity Newsletter: Vol 4, Issue 3 - Nov 2025](#)
Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction

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

[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

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[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 + NEH + IMLS + NPR, PBS, CPB Updates may be found [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 | November 7, 2025](#)

National Creativity Network

Job Opportunities

[Managing Director](#)

Arts Schools Network

Deadline: November 21

NEW [Outdoor Recreation Senior Marketing Communications Specialist](#)

Wisconsin Department of Tourism

Deadline: November 23

NEW [Join Our Team: Social Media and Marketing Manager](#)

Arts Midwest

Deadline: December 1

[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

NEW [Call for Pitches: Short-Form Video from Your Community](#)

Arts Midwest

Deadline: November 30

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

Travel Wisconsin

Nominations Deadline: December 3

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

NEW Nationwide Grant Opportunity to Support Arts Projects for Military-Connected Individuals
Mid-America Arts Alliance
Deadline: January 15

NEW National Endowment for the Arts Big Read
Arts Midwest
January 15 | Intent to Apply
January 29 | Application Deadline

FY2027 Creative Communities Grant Program and America250 Grant Program Now Open
Wisconsin Arts Board
February 11 | Intent to Apply Deadline
February 18 | Application Deadline

USArtists International
Mid Atlantic Arts
Deadline: February 25

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

2026 Legislative Conference
National PTA
March 2 - 4 | Alexandria, VA

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

[The Best Things In Life Are Free – And In This Case, Includes Ornaments](#)

Volume One Magazine

[Former Red Caboose building comes down on Willy Street and an old mural reemerges](#)

Wisconsin State Journal

[MOWA to launch biennial artist party in honor of Anwar Floyd-Pruitt](#)

Washington County Insider

[Artist David Franklin Creates a Dazzling New Finish for Kohler](#)

Galerie

[Gottlieb Foundation invites applications from mature artists](#)

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: January 15

[Why life experience is an artist's truest driving force](#)

Creative Bloq

[National Survey Reveals Alarming Downturn: Museums Face Worst Financial Outlook Since Pandemic](#)

American Alliance of Museums

Also

[Mining the 2025 Annual National Snapshot of US Museums](#)

Center for the Future of Museums | American Alliance of Museums

Arts and Creativity in Education

[High school student wins annual Wisconsin State Park and Forest pass design contest](#)

Spectrum News 1

Also

[Rice Lake students' entries among top designs in DNR's parks sticker contest](#)

Rice Lake Chronotype

[Classics for Kids Foundation invites applications from K-12 music programs](#)

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: December 31

[Les Paul Foundation invites applications for music programs](#)

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[Why Making Music Matters Now](#)

Well Music Institute | Carnegie Hall

[The art of empathy: A mixed methods case study of a critical place-based art education program](#)

ArtsEdSearch | Arts Education Partnership

[What Is Take Back The Classroom?: Book Censorship News, November 14, 2025](#)

Book Riot

[Hmong New Year celebration at UWGB connects Hmong generations and celebrates culture](#)

WBAY

[UW-Eau Claire research team featured in National Geographic and BBC documentaries](#)

All In Wisconsin | Universities of Wisconsin

[Erik Iverson: 100 years and counting: WARF dollars spurring innovation](#)

WisOpinion

Arts and Healthcare

[Nerdy obsession! This is a fascinating article on the interplay between memory and imagination in the hippocampus...](#)

Little Caregiver Repair Shop | Anne Basting

Also

[New nerd obsession - recent research on the interrelation between memory and imagination.](#)

Little Caregiver Repair Shop | Anne Basting

[Listening to music most days could guard against dementia, study suggests](#)

The Optimist | The Washington Post

Community Arts

[November 2025 | Celebrating Six Years of Imagine MKE](#)

Imagine MKE

[Where Art and Community Meet](#)
The Wallace Foundation

[What Does Indigenous Tourism Look Like in the United States?](#)
Travel Pulse

Folk Arts/Folklife

[Story Cloths Bridge Past and Present for Midwest Hmong Communities](#)
Arts Midwest

[Hmong New Year celebration at UWGB connects Hmong generations and celebrates culture](#)
WBAY

Literary Arts/Libraries

[New children's book honors the Edmund Fitzgerald and a late Wisconsin author](#)
Wisconsin Public Radio

[Wisconsin friends team up to create disability justice zine](#)
Wisconsin Today | Wisconsin Public Radio

[Literary Arts Fund invites applications from literary arts nonprofits](#)
Philanthropy News Digest
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[National Endowment for the Arts Big Read](#)
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[What Is Take Back The Classroom?: Book Censorship News, November 14, 2025](#)
Book Riot

[Cornelius Eady | Charlie Chaplin Impersonates a Poet](#)
Poem of the Day | Poetry Foundation

Media Arts

[Call for Pitches: Short-Form Video from Your Community](#)
Arts Midwest
Deadline: November 30

['Heart of Wisconsin Mushing' win Emmy for Lincoln County](#)
Price County Review

[SAG Awards Changes Its Name to the Actor Awards](#)
The New York Times

Performing Arts

Music

[Wisconsin songwriter releases debut solo folk album for quiet mornings](#)
Wisconsin Today | Wisconsin Public Radio

[La Crosse Symphony Orchestra honors local veterans with annual salute to service concert](#)
News8000

[Here are the classical nominees for the 2026 Grammy awards](#)
The Well-Tempered Ear

Presenting

[City Ditches \\$700 Million Plan, Wants New Developer For Marcus Center Garage](#)
Urban Milwaukee

Theater/Opera

[Chad Bauman, Executive Director of the Milwaukee Repertory Theater](#)
Connections: The Podcast | Rotary Club of Milwaukee

Other

[Jamey Lundblad Joins Americans for the Arts as Chief Marketing Officer](#)
Americans for the Arts

[Three factors of feeling welcome](#)
ArtsManaged Field Notes

[What is your nonprofit's approach to planning for leadership succession?](#)
Blue Avocado

[The Role of Nonprofit Boards in Strategic Planning](#)
NonProfit Pro

[Predictions for Philanthropy in 2026](#)
Opinion | The Chronicle of Philanthropy

Also

[Up or Down? Forecasts for Foundation Giving in 2026](#)
The Chronicle of Philanthropy

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

[Detroit's Heidelberg Project Travels To Wisconsin Art Museum](#)

Forbes

Through February 15

[Maria Schirmer | Becoming: an oak savanna laboratory](#)

Arts + Literature Laboratory

November 18 – December 20

[Jan Smith: Our World is Changing- Let's Change the World](#)

Monroe Arts Center

December 5 – January 31

Community Arts

[What to do in Madison this week: Rodney Crowell, 'Words with Nerds' and more Isthmus](#)

Picks

Isthmus

November 17 – 20

[Three Can't-Miss Holiday Shows In The Chippewa Valley](#)

Volume One Magazine

December 7, 13, 22

Folk Arts/Folklife

[Traditional Recipes to be Prepared on Holiday Folk Fair Internationals Chefs Stage](#)

Urban Milwaukee

November 21 – 23

Literary Arts/Libraries

[ON TRACK TO THE HOLIDAYS: Eau Claire Library's Annual Holiday Train Exhibit Returns](#)

Volume One Magazine

December 6 – 27

Media Arts

[Q&A: Curating vintage Bucky Badger with UW-Madison Head of Archives Katie Nash](#)

PBS Wisconsin

December 2

Performing Arts

Music

['An Elegy for a Vanished World' - Milwaukee Musaik performs great music by composers terrorized by the Nazis.](#)

Urban Milwaukee

November 18

[A HOLIDAY HARMONY: Jazz & Art Fest Returns With New Seasonal Surprises](#)

Volume One Magazine

November 22

Presenting

[Dave Simonett of Trampled By Turtles to perform at Thrasher Opera House](#)

Ripon Commonwealth Press

December 4

Theater/Opera

[Next Act's 'Boswell' the latest product of playwright Marie Kohler's obsession](#)

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

November 19 – December 14

[Yes, Virginia, There Is A Santa Claus - A Live Radio Play](#)

Stevens Point Journal

December 18 – 20

OPPORTUNITIES

[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 | November 2025](#)

Artist Communities Alliance

Various | 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

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

17th Annual International Drawing Discourse Exhibition

University of North Carolina Asheville | Café

Deadline: November 30

Crayola Creativity Week Global Ambassadors

Crayola

Deadline: November 30

NEW Call for Pitches: Short-Form Video from Your Community

Arts Midwest

November 30

2026 Anthony Quinn Foundation Scholarships

The Anthony Quinn Foundation

November 30 | Registration Deadline

January 4 | Final Application Deadline

Ezra Jack Keats Foundation invites entries for children's book awards

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: December 1

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

Call For Proposals | 2026 SNAAP Research Fellowships

Strategic National Arts Alumni Project

Deadline: December 8

Fine Arts Work Center invites applications for writing fellowships

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: December 15

Artist Submissions Open

Carnelian Art Gallery

Deadlines: 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

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Submissions for Up-and-Coming Artists Now Open to Perform during Summerfest 2026

Urban Milwaukee

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Arts for All Roadtrip

Roadtrip Nation

Deadline: December 21

Bobby Anspach Studios Foundation invites applications for inaugural grants program

Philanthropy News Digest

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Wisconsin public school districts encouraged to apply for Fab Labs Grants

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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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