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Partnering with Artists and Organizations for Our Wisconsin Communities

November 18, 2025

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Giving Tuesday
December 2

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“If I can stop one heart from breaking, I shall not live in vain.” – Emily Dickinson

“By words the mind is winged.” – Aristophanes

“It’s a feature of our age that if you write a work of fiction, everyone assumes that the people and events in it are disguised biography — but if you write your biography, it’s equally assumed you’re lying your head off.” – Margaret Atwood

“There are people. There are stories. The people think they shape the stories, but the reverse is often closer to the truth.” – Alan Moore

“We can’t take any credit for our talents. It’s how we use them that counts.” – Madeleine L’Engle

“A lot of being a poet consists of willed ignorance. If you woke up from your trance and realized the nature of the life-threatening and dignity-destroying precipice you were walking along, you would switch into actuarial sciences immediately.” – Margaret Atwood

“For fast-acting relief, try slowing down.” – Lily Tomlin

VIDEO OF THE DAY

[Interview: Fall concert for Stand in the Light Memory Choir](#)

WEAU

November 20

[Western Wisconsin woman gives back to community by helping people stay warm](#)

WEAU

[Stephen Schwartz, a "Wicked" music man](#)

CBS Sunday Morning

[Ghost-Note: Tiny Desk Concert](#)

NPR Music

[Why Can't We Be Friends? ft. WAR and Friends | Playing For Change | Song Around The World](#)

Playing For Change

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 [Bill Ivey, 81, Dies; Quelled Conservative Ire Over U.S. Arts Agency](#)

The New York Times

Also

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

National Endowment for the Arts

NEW [Why Are We Drawn to Art?](#)

Creativity: The Art and Science | Psychology Today

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

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

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

[Creative Copy Edition #20 | America250 Grant Program Application Opens Soon](#)
Wisconsin Arts Board

[2026 Co-op](#)
Travel Wisconsin

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

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[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 + NEH + IMLS + NPR, PBS, CPB Updates may be found [HERE](#).

<u>Arts Board Panelist Open Call</u> <i>Wisconsin Arts Board</i>

[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 Gift Officer, Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage (IS-1001-13)

Smithsonian Institution

Deadline: November 25

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

Artist Applications Open For 52nd Annual Stevens Point Area Festival of the Arts
Stevens Point Area Festival of the Arts, ZAPP
Deadline: January 31

Milwaukee Public Museum announces final date that current museum will be open
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

Remains of 67 ancient Menominee ancestors reburied by tribe after excavation by Milwaukee Public Museum
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

Teaching with Museum Collections in the Age of AI
Center for the Future of Museums Blog | American Alliance of Museums

Arts and Creativity in Education

It's Time to Vote! Milwaukee Election Commission and Milwaukee Public Schools Announce Finalists for the "I Voted Early" Sticker Design Contest

Urban Milwaukee

Voting ends December 17 (for Milwaukee residents)

[Shell Lake School Music Department Launches Shoe Drive Fundraiser To Raise Money For The School Musical](#)

Dryden Wire

November 19 – January 7

[The ink in their quill: How a passion for food and family propelled Yia Vang to culinary stardom](#)

All In Wisconsin | Universities of Wisconsin

Folk Arts/Folklife

[Irish Cultural and Heritage Center closed. A new Irish center is replacing it next year](#)

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

Literary Arts/Libraries

[LOCAL LIT: 'Good Luck, Keno Larkin–You'll Be A Good Coach' | Maureen Slason](#)

Volume One Magazine

[Billy Collins | Cheerios](#)

Poetry Foundation

Media Arts

['It's important that we tell our own stories': how the Wicked movies are helping disability representation on screen](#)

The Guardian

Performing Arts

Presenting

[\[PHOTOS\] Romain Collin Delivers Piano Renditions With Special Guests S.Carey and Mike Lewis](#)

Volume One Magazine

Other

[Taming the workplace hive mind](#)

ArtsManaged Field Notes | E. Andrew Taylor

[4 Tips to Make the Most of Your Capital Campaign Gift Range Chart](#)

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

Guiding Ethos

Trout Museum of Art

Through January 18

Talks by 2026 Nohl Jurors

Haggerty Museum of Art

November 20

Arts and Creativity in Education

Talks by 2026 Nohl Jurors

Haggerty Museum of Art

November 20

'Antigone' to be performed by Viterbo at Weber Center

La Crosse Tribune

November 20 – 23

UW-Stevens Point to host December concerts across three campuses

Point/Plover Metro Wire

Various | December

Community Arts

UFAH Pints for a Purpose | Turtle Stack Brewery

La Crosse Local

November 18

Explore free art journaling and story time programs at Riverfront Arts Center

Stevens Point Journal

Every Third Wednesday

Performing Arts

Music

[PHOTOS] Humbird Shares Tall Tales & New Tunes During Month-Long Residency

Volume One Magazine

November 21

Here's a list of concerts coming to the Green Bay area to put you in the holiday spirit
Green Bay Press-Gazette
Various November & December

Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra Rings in the Holiday Season
Urban Milwaukee
Various | November & December

Presenting

Independent Country Artists Find A Home In The Chippewa Valley
Volume One Magazine
November 21

"Weird Al" Yankovic Announces "Bigger & Weirder" Tour with a Fiserv Forum Date on Saturday, Oct. 17
Urban Milwaukee
October 17, 2026

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

NEW It's Time to Vote! Milwaukee Election Commission and Milwaukee Public Schools

Announce Finalists for the "I Voted Early" Sticker Design Contest

Urban Milwaukee

Voting ends December 17 (for Milwaukee residents)

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

NEW [Literary Arts Fund invites applications from literary arts nonprofits](#)

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: December 19

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

Urban Milwaukee

Deadline: December 21

Arts for All Roadtrip

Roadtrip Nation

Deadline: December 21

Bobby Anspach Studios Foundation invites applications for inaugural grants program

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: December 30

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

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: December 31

Wisconsin public school districts encouraged to apply for Fab Labs Grants

WEDC

Deadline: January 15

NEW [Nationwide Grant Opportunity to Support Arts Projects for Military-Connected Individuals](#)

Mid-America Arts Alliance

Deadline: January 15

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

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: January 15

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

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: January 15

NEW [National Endowment for the Arts Big Read](#)

Arts Midwest

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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

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Stevens Point Area Festival of the Arts, ZAPP
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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