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November 19, 2025

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Giving Tuesday
December 2

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Art depends on luck and talent.” – Francis Ford Coppola

“Wise sayings often fall on barren ground, but a kind word is never thrown away.” – Arthur Helps

“It is the high privilege and sacred duty of those now living to educate their successors and fit them, by intelligence and virtue, for the inheritance which awaits them. In this beneficent work sections and races should be forgotten and partisanship should be unknown.” – James A. Garfield

“One’s philosophy is not best expressed in words; it is expressed in the choices one makes. In the long run, we shape our lives and we shape ourselves. The process never ends until we die. And, the choices we make are ultimately our own responsibility.” – Eleanor Roosevelt

“When I eventually met Mr. Right I had no idea that his first name was Always.” – Rita Rudner

VIDEO OF THE DAY

[Green Bay unveils new community art display along downtown's CityDeck for holiday season](#)

WeAreGreenBay.com

[The Arts Page | In her first solo show, this artist explores the things that bring her joy.](#)

Milwaukee PBS

[Sculpture Milwaukee, Izumi Kato and Untitled Art Launch a Creative Craft Beer - Kato Candy IPA](#)

What's On Tap with Sandy Maxx | 620 WTMJ

[Courtney Hartman Co-Writes With Other Creative And Caregiver Mothers For 'With You'](#)

Wildfire Music + News

[Goo Goo Dolls: Tiny Desk Concert](#)

NPR Music

[2000+ voices SING for Neil Young at Toronto's Massey Hall | Happy 80th Neil!](#)

Choir! Choir! Choir!

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 - Betty Brinn Children's Museum](#)

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

[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 <i>Wisconsin Arts Board</i>
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[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

NEW Development Director
Milwaukee Chamber Theatre

Deadline: Until Filled

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

NEW Create Wisconsin Announces the Create Wisconsin Statewide Artist Grant Program with support from the Ruth Foundation for the Arts

Create Wisconsin

December 15 | Application and Submission Materials Available

February 16 | Application Deadline

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

Here's how a Wisconsin student, paper scientists got astronauts to make paper in space in 1986

Appleton Post-Crescent, Green Bay Press-Gazette

Also

See the photos: New Appleton exhibit marks 40th anniversary of papermaking in space

Appleton Post-Crescent, Green Bay Press-Gazette

Applications open for 52nd annual Stevens Point Area Festival of the Arts
Point/Plover Metro Wire
Deadline: January 31

Applications are now open for the 68th Annual Art Fair on the Square!
Madison Museum of Contemporary Art, ZAPP

February 28 | Early Bird Application Deadline
March 2 | Final Application Deadline

[Get ready for a re-imagined fan-favorite exhibition](#)

Racine Art Museum

March 13, 14 | Drop-Off Submissions

No earlier than March 9 and no later than March 13 | Shipped Submissions

[Open Call for Artists | In a State of IF](#)

The Art of Infertility

Submission Deadline: March 15

Arts and Creativity in Education

[Rolf Wegenke Obituary](#)

Legacy.com

[Take a look at the finalists for Milwaukee's 'I Voted Early' stickers](#)

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

['Powwow Bound: A Menominee Homecoming' now available on Steam!](#)

Arts & Culture | History | PBS Wisconsin

[Trump Administration Announces Steps to Dismantle Education Department](#)

The New York Times

[UW-Madison Studio Tours: By Students, for the Future of Landscape Architecture](#)

LAND | Updates from ASLA (American Society of Landscape Architects)

Arts and Healthcare

[The disturbing connection between loneliness and dementia](#)

Health | National Geographic

Folk Arts/Folklife

[Former Irish Cultural and Heritage Center building in Milwaukee will open as a new Irish center](#)

BizTimes Milwaukee

Literary Arts/Libraries

[Annie Wenstrup | Lodestone](#)

Poem-a-Day, Poets.org

Media Arts

[Yesterday. Today. Tomorrow with Nehemiah Edwards](#)
Hyfin

[Reigniting the state's film industry with Action! Wisconsin](#)
Radio Milwaukee

[We Want Beavers! How a Midwest-Grown Indie Film Went Global](#)
Arts Midwest

[Wisconsin-based pastry chef to compete on Gordon Ramsay's 'Next Level Baker' TV show](#)
WeAreGreenBay.com

Performing Arts

[Those Little Chimes That Say 'Please Take Your Seat'](#)
The New York Times

Dance

[Instead of 'Gritting Our Teeth,' Ballet Dancers Opt for Therapy](#)
The New York Times

[How Have Computer Applications Changed the Way We Make Dance?](#)
Dance Magazine

Music

[La Crosse Symphony Honors Veterans](#)
Symphony Magazine | League of American Orchestras

[Here are this week's Top 10 classical albums](#)
The Well-Tempered Ear

Presenting

[Council Committee Says Milwaukee Theater, Arena Are Historic](#)
Urban Milwaukee

Other

[Ask Rita: Recording Conversations in the Workplace — Do I Have to Put Up with This?](#)
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

[Milwaukee Public Museum Announces Current Building will be Open for all of 2026 Ahead of Move to New Museum](#)

Urban Milwaukee

Through January 3, 2027

Also

[Milwaukee Public Museum open through 2026, 'Greatest Hits' planned](#)

Fox 6 Now

Through January 3, 2027

[MPM Announces Closing Date for Current Museum](#)

Urban Milwaukee

January 4, 2027

[2026 Mary L. Nohl Fund Fellowship Panelists to Give Public Talk at Haggerty Museum of Art, November 20](#)

Urban Milwaukee

November 20

[MAM After Dark: Retro Rewind Silent Disco](#)

Milwaukee Art Museum

November 21

Arts and Creativity in Education

[Paths to healing - UW-Madison Dance Department Faculty Concert 2025 includes a dance focused on accessibility and a site-specific film](#)

Isthmus

November 20 – 22

[Ken Lonquist | Kids in the Rotunda](#)

Overture Center for the Arts

November 22

[Teachers invited to free history training through federal education grant](#)

Point/Plover Metro Wire

January 30 | Registration Deadline

February 13 | Event

[Sensory-Friendly Performances at First Stage \(Updated for the 2025–26 Season\)](#)

Milwaukee with Kids

Season

Community Arts

[Lakeshore Holiday Parade and more can't-miss events happening in Manitowoc this week](#)
Manitowoc Herald Times Reporter

This Week

[3 events you don't want to miss the weekend of Nov. 20-23 in the Wisconsin Rapids area](#)
Wisconsin Rapids Daily Tribune

November 20 – 23

[Milwaukee Public Market Launches Holiday Season with Inaugural Holiday Window Display](#)
Urban Milwaukee

November 22 – January 31

[Home for the Holidays: 20 arts performances around Madison](#)
The Cap Times

Various | November + December

[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

[Celebration of Lights, Nutcracker in the Castle and more Oshkosh holiday events to plan on](#)
Oshkosh Northwestern

Various | November + December

Folk Arts/Folklife

[MPS students create murals to be displayed at Holiday Folk Fair](#)
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

November 21 – 23

Media Arts

[Theatre Gigante has 'The Last Laugh'](#)
Shepherd Express

November 23

Performing Arts

Music

[3 Milwaukee choral concerts bring holiday spirit in weekend before Thanksgiving](#)
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

November 21 – 23

Also

[Messiah As It Was Originally Performed](#)
Urban Milwaukee

November 22

Concert by the Chance Ensemble - Ed Willett and Cheryl Leah
Ashland Daily Press
November 29

Presenting

The Jimmys
Jensen Community Center (Amherst)
January 17

The Man From Waco Returns To The Pines In Blue Ox 2026 Lineup
Volume One Magazine
June 25 – 27

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

[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

NEW Create Wisconsin Announces the Create Wisconsin Statewide Artist Grant Program with support from the Ruth Foundation for the Arts

Create Wisconsin

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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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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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