



Partnering with Artists and Organizations for Our Wisconsin Communities

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Whether you succeed or not is irrelevant, there is no such thing. Making your unknown known is the important thing.” – Georgia O’Keeffe

“If technique is of no interest to a writer, I doubt that the writer is an artist.” – Marianne Moore

“To be a catalyst is the ambition most appropriate for those who see the world as being in constant change, and who, without thinking that they can control it, wish to influence its direction.” – Theodore Zeldin

“Fantasy, if it’s really convincing, can’t become dated, for the simple reason that it represents a flight into a dimension that lies beyond the reach of time.” – Walt Disney

“A kiss is a lovely trick designed by nature to stop speech when words become superfluous.” – Ingrid Bergman

VIDEO OF THE DAY

[WPR interviews Dr. Jonathan Øverby - A conversation about all things world music](#)
Wisconsin Public Radio

[Creating the world’s tallest glass tree](#)
Wisconsin Life

[Arts in Health: Defining the Field, Finding Your Path | Arts in Health Webinar Series #1 | 9/18/2025](#)

UF Center for Arts in Medicine

[Air: Tiny Desk Concert](#)

NPR Music

[All I Want For Christmas Is You - Mariah Carey \(1940s "Andrews Sisters" Style Cover\)](#)

PostmodernJukebox

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 [FY27 Folk Arts Apprenticeship Program Now Open](#)

Wisconsin Arts Board

Deadline: March 19

NEW [Deep Revenue Losses Concentrate Among Large Organizations, Others See Slowing Growth](#)

SMU DataArts

NEW [The 25 Defining Art Events of 2025](#)

ARTnews

NEW [Gov. Evers, PSC Announce Applications Open for Nonprofit Access Grant Program](#)

Office of Governor Evers

Deadline: February 2

NEW [Spotlighting Wisconsin - Stoughton Opera House Friends Association](#)

Wisconsin Arts Board

Also

NEW [A resonating Stoughton success: Opera House brings in more than \\$3.2 million to area](#)

The Stoughton Courier Hub

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

Creativity: The Art and Science | Psychology Today

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 + 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 21, 2025

National Creativity Network

Job Opportunities

NEW Technology Support Specialist (Full-Time)

MIAD

Application Review Begins December 15; Until Filled

NEW Artistic Director

Renaissance Theaterworks, Avra Search Partners

Deadline: January 9

NEW Art & Design History Faculty (Full-Time)

MIAD

Application Review Begins January 12; Until Filled

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

NEW DNR Merch Makes Holiday Shopping Easy

Urban Milwaukee, WI Department of Natural Resources

Through December 7 | Free Shipping

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

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

NEW Fundraising Readiness and Prospecting
Capacity Building Webinar Series | Creative West
December 9

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

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

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

NEW [Business of Art Conference V](#)

Dane Arts

April 23 – 24 | Madison

NEW [Super Early Bird Registration is Now Open!](#)

American Alliance of Museums

Through January 16 | Super Early Bird Registration

May 20 - 23 | Philadelphia

NEW [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

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Fox Cities Magazine

[Shaping Comfort](#)

Peninsula Pulse

[Quilting Meets Memory Care and Storytelling in Wisconsin](#)

Arts Midwest

[Statement of Agency's Reinstatement of Terminated IMLS Grants](#)
Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)

[New Report Finds That Museums Are Spending Fraction of What They Should on Marketing](#)
ARTnews

Arts and Creativity in Education

[Dolly Parton's free book program comes to Wausau](#)
WAOW

[The Arts Aren't 'Nice to Have' — They Can Boost Student Engagement & Attendance](#)
Opinion | The 74

[In Photo: Cultures Around the World](#)
UW Oshkosh Today

Arts and Healthcare

[Quilting Meets Memory Care and Storytelling in Wisconsin](#)
Arts Midwest

Community Arts

[Gov. Evers, WisDOT Celebrate Unveiling of New Ho-Chunk Nation Dual-Language Highway Signs](#)
Office of Governor Evers

Literary Arts/Libraries

[Lake Mills Area Community Foundation Makes Historic \\$100,000 Gift to the L.D. Fargo Public Library Expansion Campaign](#)
Lake Mills Leader

[Statement of Agency's Reinstatement of Terminated IMLS Grants](#)
Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)

[Richard Jackson | A Loud Death](#)
Poem-a-Day, Poets.org

Media Arts

[Milwaukee PBS and Milwaukee Film Announce New Partnership](#)
Urban Milwaukee

[We Saw Hugh Jackman at the 'Song Sung Blue' Premiere](#)
Milwaukee Magazine

[Kyle Cherek makes his radio debut with "Classic Eats" on WUWM](#)
OnMilwaukee

Performing Arts

Dance

[Ailey dance company's new leader launches first season with 'fresh' vision](#)
Morning Edition | NPR

Music

[Inside Milwaukee's Sell-Out 'Charlie Brown Christmas' Concerts](#)
Milwaukee Magazine

[WAMI Registration Open](#)

Door County Pulse

Registration Deadline: January 31

[Jazz Pianist Bill Anschell Releases Debut Book Of Stories From 40 Years In And Out Of The Trenches](#)

All About Jazz

[12 Essential Steve Cropper Songs](#)

Rolling Stone

[Soloist Forced to Carry 243-Year-Old Violin Onto Flight Wrapped in Nothing But a Sweater](#)

The Daily Beast

Presenting

[The Big Idea: The Arts Are For All - Sensory Inclusiveness Allows Joy And Participation](#)

Fox Cities Magazine

[Ashley for the Arts 2026 tickets go on sale](#)

WEAU

Theater/Opera

[Northern Sky Nears Tax-Exempt Status](#)

Door County Pulse

[Helen Shaw Named New York Times Chief Theatre Critic](#)

Playbill

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

[December Artist Reception | Pump House Regional Arts Center](#)

La Crosse Local

**December 5 | Artist Reception
Through January 3 | Exhibition**

["...and the far off flutter of smoke stained wings." | Stephen Williams](#)

OS Projects

Through January 10

[A Beautiful Experience: The Midwest Grotto Tradition](#)

John Michael Kohler Arts Center

Through May 10

[A Very Good Holiday Market at Alice Good](#)

The Verona Press

December 6

Arts and Creativity in Education

[Interview: UWEC Theatre presents "Men on Boats"](#)

WEAU

December 10 – 14

[Events](#)

Peck School of the Arts | UWM

Various

[Events Calendar | Arts](#)

UW-Madison

Various

[Our Hive: Arts, Culture and Community Events](#)

UW-Superior

Various

Community Arts

[What to do in Madison this weekend: Holiday Express, Margaret Cho and more Isthmus Picks](#)

Isthmus

Through December 7

18 Things to Do in Milwaukee This Weekend: Dec. 4-7

Milwaukee Magazine

Through December 7

16 great ideas for your Madison-area weekend

Wisconsin State Journal

This Weekend

Western Wisconsin Weekend: Crafts, critters and the Candlelight Stroll

Hudson Star-Observer

This Weekend

Watch Out For Rampaging Santas

Urban Milwaukee

This Weekend

4 New Things Coming to the Milwaukee Area This December

Milwaukee Magazine

Various | December

Arts

Madison Magazine

Various

Wausau Area Events

Wausau Pilot & Review

Various

Business of Art Conference V

Dane Arts

April 23 – 24 | Madison

Performing Arts

Music

Madison Symphony Orchestra

Isthmus

December 5 – 7

WORT 50th Birthday Bash | Lou & Peter Berryman, Tony Castandeda Latin Jazz Band, Paul Filipowicz, German Art Students

Isthmus

December 7

In Other Words
Madison Youth Choirs
December 13 – 14

Horseshoes & Hand Grenades Central Wisconsin Album Release Party
Price County Review
May 28

Presenting

Chamber Music Society Of Lincoln Center to Perform Bach's Six Brandenburg Concertos Dec. 5
Wisconsin Union
December 5

Leslie Odom Jr.
Isthmus
December 9

Jon Pardi Announced As First Headliner Of 2026 Ashley For The Arts
Volume One Magazine
August 6 – 8

OPPORTUNITIES

NEW Residency Opportunities | December + January
Artist Communities Alliance
Various

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

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

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

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

Fine Arts Work Center invites applications for writing fellowships

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: December 15

Artist Submissions Open

Carnelian Art Gallery

Deadlines: December 15

NEW Sharpe-Walentas Studio Program invites applications from visual artists

Philanthropy News Digest

December 15 | Applications Available
January 15 | Application Deadline

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

Deadline: Apply through December 17

[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

[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

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

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: December 31

[Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries invites applications from schools around the country](#)

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: December 31

NEW [Golden Haiku Poetry Competition](#)

Golden Triangle

Deadline: January 11

[Indian Arts Research Center invites applications for artist-in-residence fellowships](#)

Philanthropy News Digest

Deadline: January 15

Virginia Center for the Creative Arts invites applications for fellowships
Philanthropy News Digest
Deadline: January 15

Wisconsin public school districts encouraged to apply for Fab Labs Grants
WEDC
Deadline: January 15

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

Gottlieb Foundation invites applications from mature artists
Philanthropy News Digest
Deadline: January 15

Les Paul Foundation invites applications for music programs
Philanthropy News Digest
Deadline: January 15

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

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

Artist Applications Open For 52nd Annual Stevens Point Area Festival of the Arts

Stevens Point Area Festival of the Arts, ZAPP

Deadline: January 31

Also

Applications open for 52nd annual Stevens Point Area Festival of the Arts

Point/Plover Metro Wire

Deadline: January 31

NEW Musical Theater Songwriting Challenge for High School Students

National Alliance for Musical Theater | National Endowment for the Arts

February 2 | Draft 1 Submission Deadline

Creative Power

ARTS for ALL Wisconsin

Call for Art submission deadline: February 14

USArtists International

Mid Atlantic Arts

Deadline: February 25

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

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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