

Northwest Minnesota Arts Council News

The Latest in Regional Arts Opportunities

Exhibits, Grants, Announcements, Events, Trainings, Workshops, & More!

More Drama Please!

Northwest Minnesota Arts Council Gallery NCTC in Thief River Falls Open Through November





More Drama Please! Featuring items from the Thief River Falls Area Community Theater, Fosston Community Theater, and the Middle River Community Theatre.

There's still time to see our exhibit --More Drama Please! is open now



through the end of November at the NWMAC Gallery at Northland Community and Technical College in Thief River Falls.

More Drama Please!

features photos, costumes, playbills, adverstising, historical information, props, and more from area theater groups that work with children in our NW Minnesota region. Many of the props and costumes are handmade and have been used in a variety of plays over the years.

The featured theater groups are Thief

River Falls Area Community Theater, Middle River Community Theatre, and Fosston Community Theater.

NWMAC Showcase Specialist Trey Everett shared, "I love the enthusiasm of the theater directors. They are passionate about youth being involved in and experiencing the world of drama and acting. Many of the high-quality props and costumes in the exhibit are homemade and have been used throughout the years. The creativity of the directors, staff, youth, parents, costume designers, prop engineers, artists, and photographers is evident in this wonderful exhibit."

The NWMAC Gallery is located at Northland Community and Technical College, 1101 State Highway 1, Thief River Falls, MN 56701. Gallery hours are Monday-Friday from 8:30-5 PM and at other times when events are held at the college. Enter through Door B. Visitor parking is free.

To experience the exhibit virtually watch the video below:



An online discussion with Thief River Falls Area Theater Director Jane Anderson and NWMAC staff was held November 2. You can watch this Artist Spotlight by clicking on the Artist Spotlight logo.





We welcome submissions of any medium for our Art of Addiction Exhibit, including chalk, oil, writing, video, poetry, sculpture, song, painting, pen and ink, textiles, collage, photography, acrylic, clay, watercolor and more.

Featuring pottery by Kate Hammer & works by other NW MN artists March & April Submissions are due no later than February 20.

NWMAC Gallery

NCTC in Thief

River Falls



For questions and to submit, email Trey Everett at treyeverettcreates@gmail.com. NWArtsCouncil.org



Give to the Max Day is November 17!

The NWMAC is proud to participate in the 14th annual Give to the Max Day on Thursday, November 17. Give to the Max is a statewide giving event that raises millions each year for more than 6,000 causes across Minnesota and beyond. Considered Minnesota's holiday for generosity, donors have given more than nearly \$255 million since the inaugural Give to the Max Day in 2009. Consider participating in Give to the Max by donating to the NWMAC.

To participate in Give to the Max, donors may visit GiveMN.org and search for the causes they care about most by name, keyword, ZIP code, and more. Here is our <u>page</u>. Give to the Max's "Early Giving" period begins November 1 and continues through Give to the Max Day on Nov. 17, with random drawings throughout for more than \$100,000 in prize grants for Minnesota organizations.



Find our a free print edition of our newest booklet *Artists of Northwest Minnesota* at your local library, from featured artists, or in other public spaces throughout our region. This is the 5th edition of this publication. The directory lists fine craft and visual artists, photographers, writers, and performing artists who answered our call for entries, as well as arts organizations. It's an invaluable resource when you are looking for art and artists in our region. And, stay tuned for the 6th edition. We'll be gathering information and updating our booklet soon!



November 15 DEADLINE For Individual Artist Grants Applications APPLY NOW!



Individual Artist Grants have a **November 15** deadline for \$1,500 and an ongoing deadline for quick turnaround grants for \$500. These grants are awarded to performing artists, visual artists, media artists, and creative writing artists from our seven county Minnesota service area including Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake and Roseau counties.

Individuals must be out of high school and at least 18 years of age to be eligible. College tuition is not an eligible expense. This is the main category that individuals use to support their artistic business or advance their technical skills. This category is for nonhobby artists who make substantial yearly income from their art. Grants are awarded annually with \$1,500 going to four individuals and \$5,000 going to four individuals. Support for this program comes from The McKnight Foundation.

Individuals absolutely must reside in our region (for one year prior) and remain living in our region during your entire grant year (2023). In the case of college students, your school or your home mailing address must be in our region. You will have to show proof of residency, usually your driver's license.

And to Make the Grant Process Easier

If you have applied to us before, an easy way to start is with a copy of your previous grant. We strongly recommend that you reach out to our director, Mara Hanel, so she can make a copy within our online grant software. Many data collection fields stay the same from year to year. A copy auto fills those routine fields. It uses your previous answers as a template to begin your next grant.

To learn more about these grant programs and start an application visit <u>www.NorthwestMinnesotaArtsCouncil.org</u>. The grant application process is completely online and NWMAC's Director Mara Hanel can help walk you through the process of using the grants portal to get accustomed to it. Please contact her at director@NWArtsCouncil.org or call 218-745-8886.



Teaching Artist Roster Program (TARP) has upcoming training scheduled Apply Now!

Teaching Artist Roster Program (TARP) Training Will Be Held January-February 2023

This is a series of 7 training sessions on professionally marketing and teaching your art form to students. Sessions include business skills on lesson plans, artistic statements, web listing, mock grant application on sponsoring you, mock press release on yourself.

Who should apply?

Area creatives interested in earning income by working within our local schools and festivals as an artist in residency.

Who will facilitate the training?

Jane Anderson of Thief River Falls again has agreed to serve as our consultant. Jane has led four cohorts in the past and does a great job. She's also lots of fun.

When and Where will this be held?

Online for six Thursdays in 2023 from January 19 until February 23 from 6-9 PM on Zoom. Training ends on Saturday, February 25, 2023 in person in Warren from 10 AM - 4 PM.

What is the result?

In addition to honing your teaching skills, you will join our Teaching Artist Roster list on our website where schools and festivals go to select who they would like to sponsor with our grant funds. This is a wonderful opportunity to receive training for free! Being selected into the TARP cohort is the equivalent of receiving a \$500 grant award.

How Do I Apply?

Log into our grants systems via the Grant Login button in the top righthand corner of our website. You will apply through that system. **Questions?**

Reach out to our director, Mara Hanel at director@NWArtsCouncil.org or 218-745-8886.



Let's Talk Art is our weekly radio interview and podcast with Pioneer 90.1's Ron West.

Let's Talk Art Podcast



Do you listen to our weekly podcast? If not, you are missing out! We feature artists, arts organizations, and arts events in our region. The podcast begins as a radio interview on Pioneer 90.1 radio. The interviews air on Tuesdays at 3:05pm. Then, we put the interviews on our website so you can listen to them at any time. It's a great way to learn about all the arts happenings in our region and even about some statewide arts organizations and efforts.

Some of the recent podcasts include:

<u>11.1.22 Tammy Parkin</u> Tammy Parkin spoke with Pioneer 90.1's Ron West about a

grant that the Golden Link Senior Center in Crookston received for an artist series, which included Artists Trey Everett (This is what heals me 2D and 3D mixed media), Cindy Kolling (Mini-murals coloring), Elizabeth Rockstad (mosaics), and Connie Hannesson (historic storyteller/performance art). These popular arts workshops were offered free of charge to the Golden Link members, guests, and the community. Listen <u>here.</u>

10.25.22 Molly Johnston Molly Johnston is the Rural Program Manager at Springboard for the Arts. She explained what Springboard for the Arts is and what they do. She also gave a general update of Springboard resources and programs they offer our region, including Artist Career Consultations, workshops, Work of Art (which teaches business skills to artists), and the Rural Connection fund. Springboard for the Arts is an important resource for artists in our region. Listen <u>here.</u>

10.18.22 Jane Anderson Jane Anderson, Executive Director of the Thief River Falls Area Community Theater spoke about her history in theater and TRFACT. She also talked about the current exhibition at the NWMAC Gallery at NCTC in Thief River Falls -- *More Drama Please!* and TRFACT's presence in it. Finally, she spoke about the weekly Pioneer 90.1 radio segment — Voices of the Theater — featuring TRFACT performers and dramas. Listen <u>here.</u>

10.11.22 Wendy Barden and Anne Dennison Perpich School for the Arts Head of the Professional Development arm Wendy Barden and School Librarian Anne Dennison spoke about resources that Perpich provides for teachers in Minnesota. The library is a public resource with curriculum and materials on arts integration that teachers and other educators can use. Perpich is part of the MN Link system and resources can be sent via interlibrary loans. Take advantage of Perpich resources! Listen here.



Traveling Art Exhibit Visits Fosston Public Library

The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council (NWMAC) sponsors an annual Traveling Art Exhibit, which visits northwest Minnesota communities throughout the year. The exhibit includes 17 original pieces of art by regional adult and student artists, chosen from works submitted for our annual juried exhibit.







The exhibit is currently at the Fosston Public Library until November 22. Please stop by to see these works of art as this is the first stop for this traveling exhibit. Some of these pieces of art are for sale.

The 2022-2023 Artists & Artwork:

Ross Hier, Crookston, "Wood Splitter's Alarm Clock" Elizabeth Kitchell-Rockstad, Ada, "Cornflower Bee"

Heidi Danos, Fosston, "Hot Pink Sadness"

Stephanie Olson, Thief River Falls, "Monday's Cat"

Alicia Spilde, Karlstad, "Leaving" Cindy Kolling, Gully, "Prairie Smoke" Jodi Peterson, Ada, "Cardinal" Kate Hammer, Roseau, "Abandoned" Nick Reitzel, Karlstad, "Across the Purple Sky"

Paulette Christianson, Badger, "Under the Orange Moon"

Mason Owens, Crookston, "Peace is in the Roughness"

Kinsley Oslund, Grygla, "Crush" Emily Balboa, Crookston, "Timeless Beauty"

Autumn Ruikka, Thief River Falls, "Bull Stamp"

Carlie Nehrus, Ada, "Jelly Fish" Lakylie Brobst, Grygla, "Hayes Lake Skies"

Paige Sturre, Thief River Falls, "Escaping the Bland"

To read more about the traveling exhibit and to find out the schedule click <u>here</u>.



Join our board! Would you like to be more involved in the arts in northwest Minnesota? Consider



becoming an Arts **Council Board** Member! The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council has openings for representatives from **Red Lake**, Pennington and Norman. We are also looking for one atlarge member who can be from any of our seven counties of Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, and Roseau.

The Arts Council meets five times a year usually in Warren or virtually and reviews and approves arts grants and arts policy and arts services for seven counties in Minnesota.

For more information and to receive a nomination form for yourself or a friend, contact Mara Hanel, NWMAC, at 218-745-8886; or email her at director@nwartscou ncil.org. Visit our website **here** to learn more and for the nomination form.





Free Artist Career Consultations for individuals and creative businesses in Greater Minnesota

Springboard's Artist Career Consultants can help you with:

- Project support
- Artist resources
- Grant writing and applications
- Marketing and promotions
- Community building
- Tech and website suppo

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To see all the trainings, events and other resources that Springboard for the Arts is offering, visit their events webpage <u>here.</u>



Professional Development Trainings for Artists! Zoom Meetings

- <u>Thurs, Nov 10, 6:00 7:30 pm Working</u> <u>Session: Artist Statements</u>
- <u>Sat, Nov 12, 1:00 3:30 pm Work of Art:</u> <u>Funding</u>
- <u>Tue, Nov 15, 6:00 7:30 pm Publishing Basics</u> for Genre Fiction Writers
- <u>Sat, Nov 19, 1:00 3:30 pm Work of Art:</u> <u>Grant Writing</u>
- <u>Mon, Nov 21, 12:00 1:00 pm Ask Me</u> <u>Anything: Pushing the Boundaries of the</u> <u>Possible</u>
- Tues, Nov 22, 6:00 8:30 pm Work of Art: Funding, for Rural Artists
- <u>Tues, Nov 22, 6:30 8:00 pm With Us: Artists</u> with Disabilities on Empowerment
- <u>Sat, Dec 3, 1:00 3:30 pm Work of Art:</u> <u>Business Plan Essentials</u>
- <u>Sat, Dec 10, 1:00 3:30 pm Work of Art:</u> <u>Engaging Customers and Selling Your Work</u>
- <u>Tues, Dec 13, 6:00 8:30 pm Work of Art:</u> <u>Grant Writing, for Rural Artists</u>

Sign up at

SpringboardForTheArts.org. Plus Saturday zoom

Need a Head Shot or Photos of Work Samples? We've got you covered!

We now offer a photography room for artists to create work sample shots at no cost at our office space in Warren. The photography room will also offer amateur headshots, photography of instruments and samples of art pieces, as well as live recording shots. This is a wonderful opportunity for artists and creatives in our region. You must make an appointment for this service. Please contact our office to schedule an appointment with our Office Assistant Brittany or with any questions at nwartscouncil.assist ant@gmail.com or 218-745-8886.



Writers and Poets are cordially invited to

classes from 1-3 PM on all 10 Work of Art workbook topics from now to mid-December.

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Do you miss connecting with other rural artists in-person?

Apply to the Rural Connection Fund. The Rural Connection Fund will provide rural artists in the Upper Midwest with \$2,000 to support informal gatherings of rural artists and creatives to witness one another's work, exchange ideas and learning, and build a foundation for long lasting peer support.

Who is Eligible? Culture bearers, makers, artists, writers, filmmakers, musicians, performers and other creatives in rural and tribal communities of 30,000 people or less in the Upper Midwest (Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Michigan, Illinois and the Native Nations that share those geographies). Gatherings must connect at least two rural artists who live at least 75 miles apart. Types of gatherings may include but are not limited to:

- Informal exchanges to visit one another's community and witness one another's work in person
- Mini-retreats of 2 or more rural artists/creatives to explore a specific topic and share learning
- Gatherings of artists from multiple locations to connect.
- Note: Springboard encourages simplicity! It is rare to get a chance to visit another artist without an



submit poetry up to 30 lines and short stories up to 1,000 words for The America Collection, to be published in ebook and paperback by Tim Saunders Publications in 2023.

Submissions should be emailed to: tsaunderspubs@g mail.com The deadline for submissions is December 28, 2022. Contributors retain copyright. For more information about Tim Saunders Publications visit: https://tsaunder spubs.weebly.com obligation to fulfill, so consider how this can nurture other aspects of your artistic life without adding new major commitments to your life.

The Rural Connection Fund has 3 rolling deadlines to enter your request in their lottery-based selection process. The lottery pool is reset after each selection, but in your form, you can choose to automatically resubmit your request for each deadline. Upcoming deadlines are

- January 6, 2023
- March 3, 2023

Learn more about the fund, eligibility criteria, and submit your application!



Tonnabell's in Thief River Falls showcases local artist's works. They are looking for artists who would be interested in teaching classes or demonstrating their art. They also have space to sublet to artists. Reach out to <u>Kelly</u> to inquire.







Tending the Creative Soul Wednesday, November 9 from 5 to 6 pm via Zoom Everyone is welcome!

Topic: Mandalas

We will be talking about and creating our own Mandalas during this Tending the Creative Soul. Mandalas are symbols of wholeness and healing and have been used throughout time in a variety of cultures and various religions as well as in psychology. Carl Jung wrote,

"I sketched every morning in a notebook a small circular drawing, a mandala, which seemed to correspond to my inner situation at the time... Only gradually did I discover what the mandala really is.... the Self, the wholeness of the personality, which if all goes well, is harmonious." Have paper and paint or markers or colored pencils. Also if you like perfect circles bring various sized circle templates.

Email Trey for Zoom invite if you are interested at treyeverettcreates@gmail.com.

Below are just a few of the many arts events happening in NW Minnesota. We are happy to promote your arts-focused and artistled events, especially ones that received grant funding from the NWMAC. Please share your event details with our Promotions Specialist <u>Kristin Eggerling</u>.



Harvest Dance Sponsored by North County Fiddle and Dance

Saturday, November 12 from 7:30 to 10 pm East Grand Forks Senior Center 538 Rhinehart Dr. S.E. East Grand Fork

live music with the O'Neil Family Band All ages -singles, couples, families Reels, squares, circle mixers and more...all dances are taught and easy to learn! Donations at the door Questions or more info: northcountrydance.org



Paintings of Sister Denise Schonhardt FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2022 AT 7 PM – 9 PM Sweetlight Gallery - Andy Hall Photography

Andy Hall, owner of Sweetlight Gallery in Crookston invites you to an opening reception featuring a collection of paintings from Sister Denise Schonhardt of the Sisters of Saint Benedict in Crookston. Sister Denises' use of deep colors, thought provoking compositions and scale result in striking yet contemplative oil paintings!

Light appetizers, punch and coffee will be served from 7-9PM Informal preview 5-7 PM Exhibition continues through Jan 6, 2023

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Minne-Mural[™] Coloring Art Adventure <u>November 30th, 2022 at 6:00 pm</u> via Zoom. Sponsored by the Campbell Library in East Grand Forks, the featured design will be "The Reading Lady."

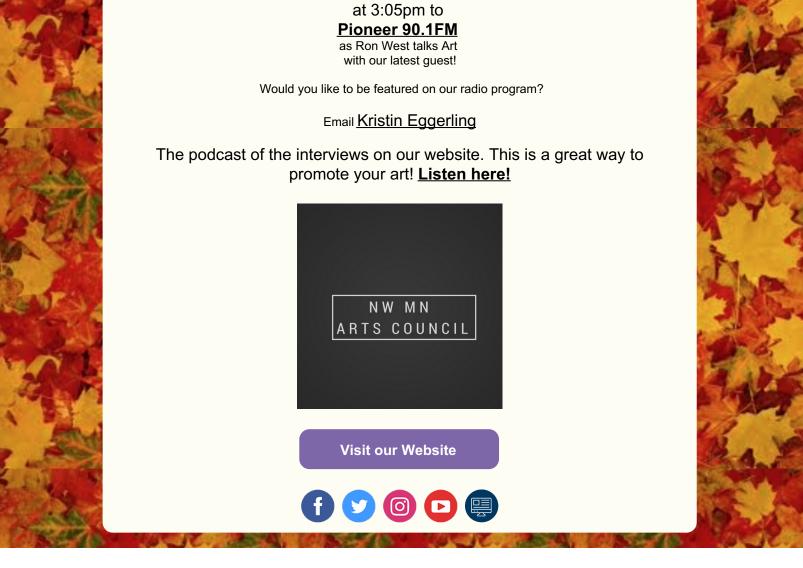
The program is Free and a Zoom link will go out later. There are a limited number of Reading Lady Minne-Murals[™] at the library right now that will be handed out at No Charge First Come - First Serve as part of their virtual special activity programming. Just stop in and ask for one. If you can't make the complimentary library stop work out, those who want to color along and show & tell during the zoom event can order a Home Delivery Carepack of 2, 4 or 6 Minne-Murals[™]. See www.kollingcards.com/shop.



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