



## LRAC Art Headlines



### LRAC News Brief

#### 45th LRAC Annual Meeting

##### July 19th at the Historic Holmes Theatre

We are excited to announce that the LRAC's Annual meeting will be in person this year.



The public is invited to help us celebrate Lake Region Arts Council's 45th year. Our annual banquet will be held on Tuesday, July 19 at the Historic Holmes Theatre, Detroit Lakes, MN.

This is the evening when we recognize our retiring board members and celebrate the arts in the region. We will also be honoring the 2021 LRAC Fellowship recipient, Bethany Lacktorin, and the FY22 LRAC Fellowship recipient who will be chosen at the June 21 Board meeting.

Watch your email for a "Save the Date Invitation" and RSVP form.

Maxine Adams  
Executive Director  
Lake Region Arts Council

[Click to for the Historic Holmes Theatre Website](#)

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#### LRAC Office and Gallery will be closed, June 1 through June 4

Staff will be working remotely and can be reached at:

Phone 218.739.5780

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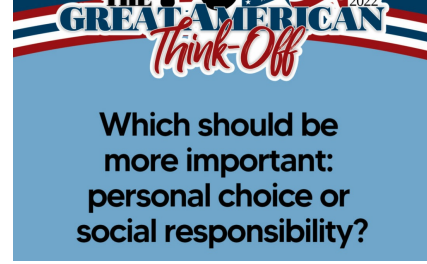
### Featured Event #1

#### New York Mills Cultural Center presents: "The Great American Think-Off"

New York Mills Cultural Center  
24 N. Main Street  
New York Mills, MN

**Walking Tour:** Friday, June 10, 2022 @ 5:30pm  
**Reception:** Friday, June 10, 2022 from 6 - 8:00pm  
**Think-Off Debate:** Saturday, June 11, 2022 @ 7:00pm

**Cost:** \$12 in advance, or \$15 at the door; students just \$5



The New York Mills Regional Cultural Center presents four finalists for the 29th Annual Great American Think-Off who will participate in a live debate in New York Mills, MN on Saturday June 11, 2022.

During the debate, the finalists will defend their essays, arguing their side of the question, **“Which should be more important: personal choice or social responsibility?”** Liguore and Steward will assert that personal choice should be more important, while Anderson and Rada will argue that social responsibility should be important.

The finalists will be available to meet the public at the Great American Think-Off Kick-Off event the evening of Friday, June 10 at the New York Mills Regional Cultural Center during a Philosophers & Artists Reception from 6-8 p.m. In addition to honoring the Think-Off finalists, the reception will also feature regional visual artists whose work will be on display in the Gallery’s Annual Adult Regional Show. The reception is preceded by a Historical Walking Tour of downtown New York Mills, hosted by the Otter Tail County Historical Society, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

[Click here to meet the Finalists & for More Information](#)



## Featured Event #2

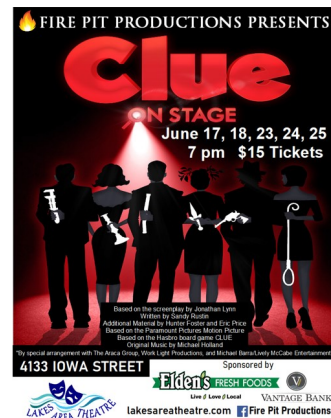
Lakes Area Theatre presents:  
**"Clue - A Stage Play"**

Lakes Area Theatre  
4133 Iowa Street  
Alexandria, MN

Friday, June 17, 2022 7:00 PM -  
Saturday, June 25, 2022 9:00 PM

**Fee: \$15**

Clue is a hilarious farce-meets-murder mystery. The tale begins at a remote mansion, where six mysterious guests assemble for an unusual dinner party where murder and blackmail are on the menu. When their host turns up dead, they all become suspects. Led by Wadsworth – the butler, Miss Scarlett, Professor Plum, Mrs. White, Mr. Green, Mrs. Peacock and Colonel Mustard race to find the killer as the body count stacks up. Clue is the comedy whodunit that will leave both cult-fans and newcomers in stitches as they try to figure out...WHO did it, WHERE, and with WHAT!



## Featured Artist

**Dr. Sonja Bosca-Harasim:**  
**Violinist, Violist, Professor & Arts Mentorship Program Mentor**

Dr. Sonja Bosca-Harasim, performer and educator, has been described as an “undeniably impressive” performer and hailed for her attention to detail, making “every note count deliciously”. Dr. Bosca-



Harasim is Associate Professor of Violin and Viola at Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota, where she is Co-Founder and Director of the Concordia String Preparatory Program and serves as String Area Coordinator. She maintains an active performing career locally, nationally, and internationally as a solo, chamber, and orchestral musician. Sonja is the appointed Concertmaster of the Fargo-Moorhead Symphony Orchestra, where she also serves as the strings representative on the Board of Trustees. The subject of her doctoral thesis was dedicated to the performance of new music and little-known works worthy of great acclaim, particularly those composed by Frank Bridge. In addition, several composers, including Karim Al-Zand, Daniel Breedon, Benjamin Krause, Richard Lavenda, Russell Peterson and Christopher Walczak, have written pieces to her.

A sought-after pedagogue and chamber music coach, Dr. Bosca-Harasim is also well known for her masterclasses. Her students have won prizes numerous competitions, participated in prominent music festivals all over the world and have gone onto distinguished graduate programs in music performance and other fields of study.

A native of Houston, Texas, she began her violin studies at the age of 5 and went on to study with Albert Muenzer while attending the critically acclaimed High School for the Performing and Visual Arts. She completed her undergraduate studies with David Updegraff at the Cleveland Institute of Music and returned to her hometown to pursue her graduate studies with Kenneth Goldsmith and doctoral studies with Cho-Liang Lin at Rice University's Shepherd School of Music. Recordings, a performance schedule, and more information can be found at [www.sonjaharasim.com](http://www.sonjaharasim.com).

[Click here to Read More About Dr. Bosca-Harasim](#)



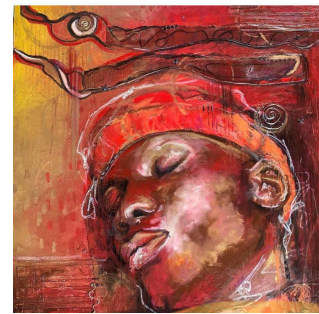
## LRAC Main Gallery

### "Portraits Exhibit"

**When:** May 3- June 30, 2022

Art credit: "Glow" by Lyssa Lovejoy

The LRAC Main Gallery is hosting an exhibit dedicated to the art of portraiture. Representing portraits in all mediums, regional artists are sharing their best work in this exhibit.



The Portraits Exhibit will be open from now until June 30th, 2022 in the LRAC Gallery at the historic River Inn, 133 S. Mill St., Fergus Falls, MN. A reception for the artists will be held May 17th, 2022 from 5:30-7 pm at the LRAC Gallery. Public is invited.

"This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through the Lake Region Arts Council, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the Arts and Cultural Heritage fund."



## LRAC Grant Announcements

### Upcoming LRAC Board Grant Review Meetings

Board meetings typically begin at 6:30 pm and are open and livestreamed on the LRAC Website for the public to observe the proceedings.

- **Fellowship Review**, June 21, 2022
- July, no grant review, annual meeting



## Legacy Grant Round Awarded

In April, 2022, LRAC awarded 25 different organizations and individuals funding for the Legacy Organization and Individual Grant rounds. The total amount of funding awarded to organizations was \$180,653, and \$40,850 to individuals. LRAC congratulates the awardees of this historic grant round! [Click here for the full list of awardees and their projects.](#)



## Career Development Grant Round Awarded

On May 17, 2022, the Lake Region Arts Council (LRAC) Board awarded nine individual artists funding for the Career Development Grant rounds. The total amount of funding awarded was \$16,600. LRAC congratulates the awardees of the Career Development Grant Round!

[Click here for the full list of artists and their projects.](#)



## FY23 Grant Calendar Now Available!

It's not too early to start planning your future grant projects! The Calendar for **July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023** is now available at the link below, with application open and deadline dates, as well as the grant review dates!

[Click here for the new calendar!](#)

## LRAC Grant Opportunities

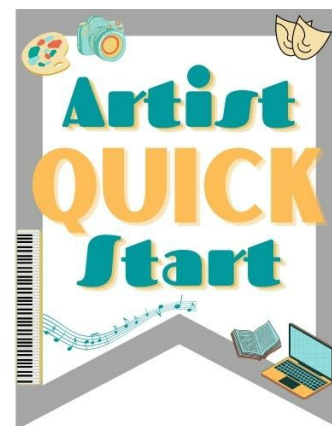
### LRAC Artist Quick Start Grant Six, \$1,000 grants to be awarded

#### Grant amount increased this year!

Eligible individuals in the LRAC nine-county region may apply for the LRAC Artist Quick Start Grant, intended for activities and projects resulting in career development and artistic achievement in all disciplines; literary, music, performance, and visual arts.

#### Artist Quick Start Grant Important Dates:

- Application available: July 4, 2022
- **Grant Deadline: Thursday, August 4, 2022 at 5:00 pm**
- Grant Review: Tuesday, September 20, 2022



[Artist Quick Start Grant Guidelines](#)



## Other Opportunities

### Rural Regenerator Fellowship

This fellowship brings together individual artists,

makers, culture bearers, grassroots organizers, community development workers, public sector workers and other rural changemakers who are committed to advancing the role of art, culture and creativity in rural development and community building. Fellows participate in two years of peer learning and exchange, receive ongoing support for their community work through 1:1 coaching and technical assistance, and receive an unrestricted \$10,000 stipend.



Application deadline:

- **Tuesday, June 7, 2022 at 11:59 pm CT**

### **Minnesota State Arts Board Grants**

The Minnesota State Arts Board (MSAB) is a state agency that stimulates and encourages the creation, performance, and appreciation of the arts in the state. MSAB offers grants to eligible Minnesota residents and organizations. They currently have two grant opportunities available. Please click the grant name for more information.



#### **For Individuals: Creative Support for Individuals**

This grant program provides support to help individual artists and culture bearers sustain their creative practices and meaningfully engage with their communities in a time of transition. Creative Support grants are designed to be flexible and allow for adaptable responses to unexpected changes during the grant period.

Application deadlines:

- **Friday, July 15, 2022, before 4:30 p.m.**

#### **For Organizations: Creative Support for Organizations**

This grant program provides support to help organizations deliver arts programming and meaningfully engage their communities in a time of transition. While Creative Support grants are designed to be flexible and allow for adaptable responses to unexpected changes during the grant period, applicants will be asked to align their activities with one of three program outcomes that address the intent of the legacy amendment and the Arts Board's goals.

Application deadline:

- **Friday, September 9, 2022, before 4:30 p.m**



### **LRAC Executive Director**

**Maxine Adams**

Please contact the LRAC office for more information:  
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Serving the LRAC region: Becker, Clay, Douglas, Grant, Otter Tail, Pope, Stevens, Traverse, and Wilkin counties.

