



May 2023

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# ArtsNews!

## LRAC Seeks New Board Members

Openings in Stevens, Traverse, and Wilkin or  
Adjoining Counties



Do you love the arts?  
Looking for something new to do?

“Serving on the LRAC Board is an excellent way to be involved in all the Arts activities that happen in our region.” said Maxine Adams, LRAC Executive Director. She added, “Board members have a great deal of satisfaction in knowing that by awarding LRAC grants, they are helping to keep the Arts a strong and vital part of our communities.”

and is responsible for reviewing all applications to LRAC Grant programs. LRAC awards over \$300,000 each year in grants to regional artists and art projects. The Board meets every third Tuesday of the month, except Aug. and Dec. Attendance can be in person or virtual.

**Contact the LRAC office  
for an application:  
Email: [directorlrac@gmail.com](mailto:directorlrac@gmail.com)  
Deadline is June 1, 2022**

**Maxine Adams**  
Executive Director  
Lake Region Arts Council

The LRAC Board consists of two representatives from each of the region's nine counties and is made up of a distinguished and diverse group of artists, art advocates, and interested citizens. The LRAC Board provides guidance for the operations of LRAC

**Click here to hear more about  
being an LRAC Board member**



# Fargo-Moorhead Ballet presents: *Peter Pan*

Fargo Theatre • 524 7th Street • North Fargo, ND 58102

Saturday, May 6, 2023 @ 2pm & 7pm • Sunday, May 7, 2023 @ 2pm

Tickets: \$12-\$50



We are ready to take our spring storybook dance production to NEW heights this spring with Peter Pan. Come fly with us May 6 & 7, 2023 at the Fargo Theatre as we travel with Peter Pan and Tink to Neverland. Don't miss the magical adventures and Pirate attacks they take the Darling children experience during this timeless story.

Peter Pan will feature NEW storytelling and choreography by Artistic Director, Matt Gasper; beautiful original costume and tutu designs by FMBallet costume designer, Suzanne Spiese and her talented crew; and of course the amazing dancers of the FMBallet company, as well as local dancers.

[Click Here for Tickets](#)





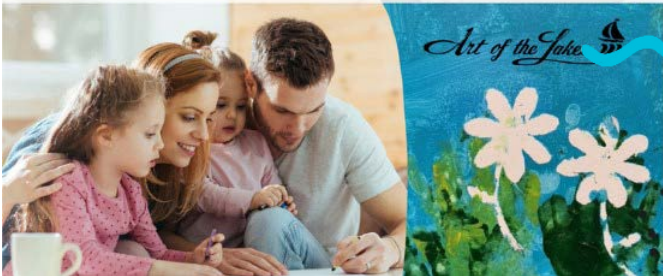
Art of the Lakes presents:

# Parent and Me Workshop Series - Frida Inspired Self Portraits

Art of the Lakes • 108 Lake Avenue South • Battle Lake, MN  
Saturday, May 20, 2023 • 10:00am - Noon • Fee: \$10

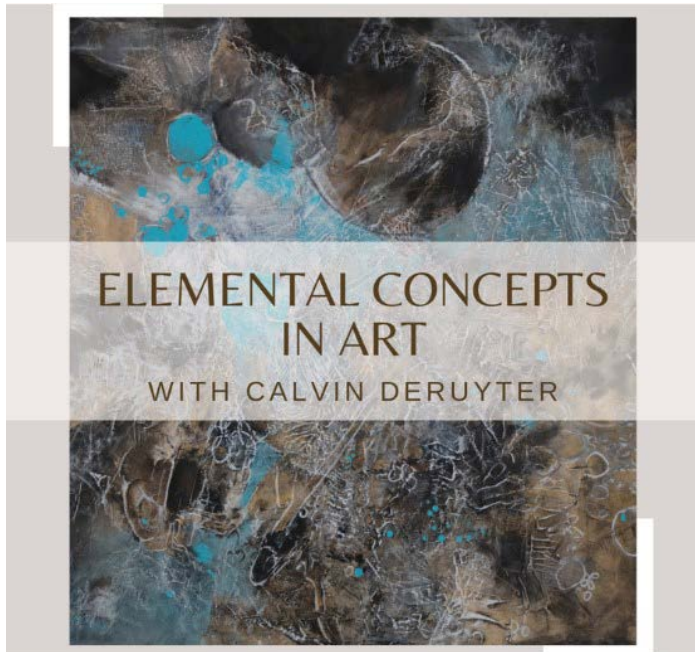


**Frida Inspired Self Portraits:**  
Parent and Me classes are designed for all ages and encourage family collaboration to create works of art. This class will explore this concept of self portraits. This project is inspired by artist Frieda Kahlo. We will be photographing each child as they enter the class and print their photo on watercolor paper. Kids will be using tissue paper to create their own Frida inspired headpiece.



[Click Here for  
More Information](#)

# Calvin DeRuyter Workshop - The Elemental Concepts in Art



Glendalough State Park  
25287 Whitetail Lane • Battle Lake, MN

Wednesdays 10:00am - Noon:

Composition - May 31, 2023

Lines - June 7, 2023

Shape - June 13, 2023

Value - June 21, 2023

Depth - June 28, 2023

**FEE:**

Early Bird Registration - \$25 / \$20 per session  
non-members / members

After April 30th registration - \$30 / \$25 per session  
non-members / members

Each session is a “stand alone session” that covers a specific element of art. Over the 5-weeks, the individual sessions will focus on Composition, Line, Shape, Value and Intensity, and Depth.

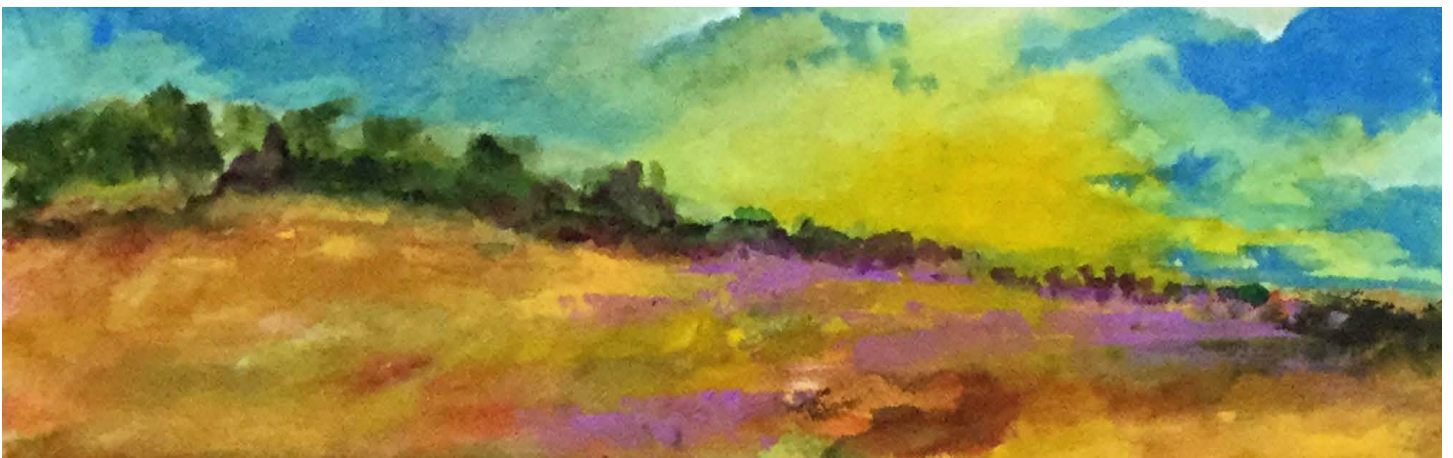
The intent of each class is to give the participants ways to look at their own art, exploring how each of those elements can be explored and expanded for their own use. And, since all of these elements apply to 2-dimensional art no matter the medium used or the genre used (landscape, still life, portrait, abstract, etc.) the class is open to all 2-dimensional artists. Students will work on their own art and in their own medium during the open part of the class.

DeRuyter will present a slide show of how other artists looked at and exploited those elements in their art; explore a class exercise on that particular element; and then be a catalyst to “push” the artist to look at their own art in new ways.

**Students will provide their own supplies.**



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More Information](#)





# Jessica Hexum

Visual Artist and FY23 LRAC Artist Cohort Recipient

Jessica Hexum is an acrylic painter who helps prevent pollution of the mind and the outside environment. She advocates for mental health awareness through her art. With over a decade of experience in acrylics, Jessica paints on canvas as well as upcycled clothing. She has had her art featured in local businesses and takes commissions.

Growing up in the woods of rural Minnesota, Jessica found healing through nature, and features details of the natural world through both 2-D and 3-D elements within her work. Jessica's paintings feature various characters who are demonstrating relatable struggles with overall mental health as well as other topics that are not commonly discussed such as: Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), anxiety, depression, addiction, domestic violence and more.



[Click Here to See  
Some of Hexum's Work](#)

# LRAC Main Gallery: **Wearable Art Exhibit**



**When:** May 1 to June 28, 2023  
**Gallery Hours,** M-Thurs, 9 am-3 pm  
**Reception,** May 16th, 5:30-7 pm  
133 S. Mill St., Fergus Falls, MN

*Art credit: "Garden" by Jennifer Hippe*

The "Wearable Art Exhibit" will feature creative and unusual uses of fiber, textiles, and other materials. This will be a juried exhibit of work by artists living in the LRAC 9 county region. The public is invited to visit the Gallery and enjoy this unique fashion show.

The artists featured in this wearable exhibit are the following; Audrey Dahl of Detroit Lakes, Wendy Davenport of Fergus Falls, Dominic Facio of Fergus Falls, Christy Goulet of Dilworth, Yvonne Hanley of Fergus Falls, Victoria Hanna of Fergus Falls, Jessica Hexum of Fergus Falls, Jennifer Hippe of Starbuck, Madison Hubert of Fergus Falls, Sarah Karsnia of Fergus Falls,

Sharon Marquardt of Henning, Katy Olson of Fergus Falls, Joan Jarvis Ellison of Pelican Rapids, and Mary Jo Wentz of Battle Lake.

The gallery hours are Monday – Thursday 9AM – 3:00PM and closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Please email or call before you visit the gallery to ensure that the gallery is open that day.

Call the LRAC office (toll free in MN) at 1-800-262-2787 or 218-739-5780 or email [LRAC4@LRACgrants.org](mailto:LRAC4@LRACgrants.org).

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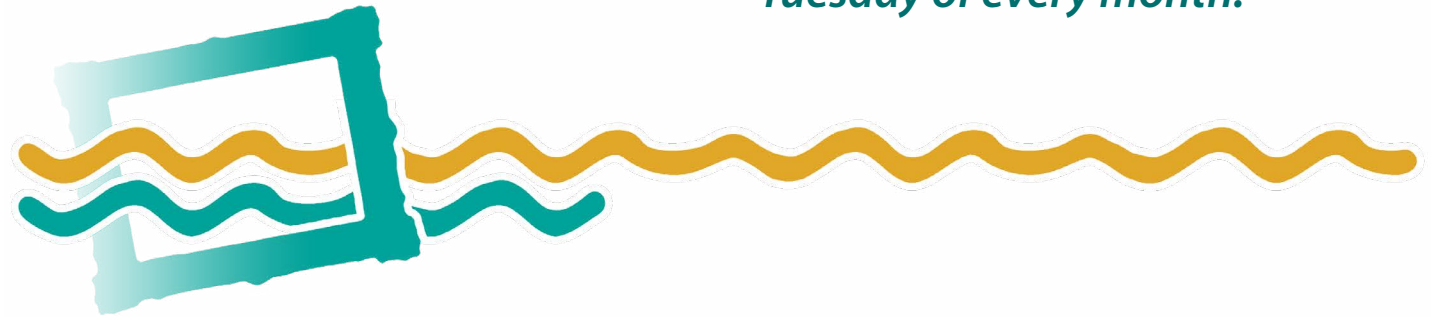
**View LRAC Gallery  
2023 Calendar**

# Hey! Where did the Grants section go?

Introducing our new monthly Grants Update newsletter!

This new format will allow us to better highlight the arts funding opportunities available to individual artists and organizations in our LRAC nine-county region. It will feature information on upcoming grant reviews, recent grants awarded, current and upcoming LRAC grants opportunities, and other local and state grants opportunities available to those in our region.

*Keep an eye out for future Grants Update newsletters on the last Tuesday of every month!*



## Maxine Adams

LRAC Executive Director

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Serving the LRAC region: Becker, Clay, Douglas, Grant, Otter Tail, Pope, Stevens, Traverse, and Wilkin counties.

