



LRAC March Art Headlines



LRAC News Brief

Join us for Arts Advocacy Day, March 12.

Over 600 arts advocates will flock to the Capitol to carry the message "Protect the next two years of Arts funding!" Together we will speak about the impact that arts funding has had on our lives and communities. We need representation from all counties in our region. Arts Advocacy Day is organized by MN Citizens for the Arts.



Please register by Friday March 8.

Photo: Amy Stearns, Historic Holmes Theatre, Detroit Lakes and Betsy Roder, NY Mills Cultural Center, Arts Advocacy Day 2017

[Click Here to register for Arts Advocacy Day](#)



Cultural and Heritage Events

"Neither Wolf Nor Dog"

A Film @ A Center for the Arts
Saturday, March 9, 2019

This film, adapted from the acclaimed novel "Neither Wolf Nor Dog" by Kent Nerburn, follows a white author who gets sucked into the heart of contemporary Native American life in the sparse lands of the Dakota's by a 95 year old Lakota elder and his side-kick.

First published in 1994 and winner of the Minnesota Book award in 1996, no other novel is seen to so successfully bridge the gap between white America and the Native American world. The book continues to see excellent sales aided by a wide readership through academic use. Two sequel novels followed with equal acclaim.



The publisher, New World Library, estimates world-wide sales at around half a million copies with sales in Europe and in particular Germany being very strong.

The American Indian College fund said, "This is one of those rare works that once you've

read it, you can never look at the world, or at people, the same way again." .



Featured Event

"Perham Area Local Author Extravaganza"

Perham Area Public Library
Saturday, March 30, 2019



A day to celebrate all local authors! Stop by the library on Saturday, March 30, 10am - 2pm to chat with area writers and pick up some great reads! Are you an area author interested in letting the community know about your writing? Give the Perham Area Public Library a call at 218-346-4892 to reserve table space for your display. Attendance and table display space is free!

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

[Click here for event website](#)



Featured Artist

Dar Eckert: Raku Awakening

Kaddatz Galleries
Exhibit dates: February 23 - April 13
Reception: Saturday, March 2, 4pm to 6pm
Artist Talk: 4:30 pm



"I have always felt that I was born to be an artist. Life has taken me in different directions but art has always been an important part of my life. Similarly, I have always been close to nature and enjoy each season and its unique beauty. So it is not surprising that I have become a professional ceramic and sculpture artist whose primary influence is nature. I use clay, which is the earth itself, and fire, one of its primary elements, for my work to reflect the environment that I am passionate about. I prefer to depict our region and nature seen every day but not always noticed.

Work is hand built with coils, slabs or sometimes wheel thrown then dried and fired once. The ceramic piece then becomes my canvas and I draw and glaze it. The final step, raku firing, is where the magic happens. Unexpected colors and copper blushes appear when the glowing hot piece is placed in pine boughs that burn and blacken the piece. The completed work reflects nature and Minnesota through my eyes."

Dar was awarded the LRAC Artist Quick Start Grant in Sept 2018 to purchase equipment for her ceramic studio.

[Click here for event website](#)



LRAC Gallery Exhibits

Main Gallery

"6A Regional High School Art Exhibit"

Exhibit dates: March 18 - April 27, 2019
Gallery hours, M-F, 9-5
137 S. Mill St., Fergus Falls, MN

Reception: Saturday, April 27, 11 am-12:30 pm

The Lake Region Arts Council is proud to exhibit selected art work from this year's High School 6A Minnesota State Visual Arts Exhibition and Competition. This is a yearly completion that showcases the best art work from high school students throughout the state. Students compete at a regional and then state level. Entries are judged on the quality of the art work and the student's artist statement. Regional winners will go on to compete at the State 6A statewide competition



Photo credit: Past High School exhibitor, 2018, "Human Bog" by Noel Runge

Solo Gallery

Kate Andrews, Visual Artist
2018 LRAC Artist Quick Start Grant
Pelican Rapids, MN

Exhibit dates: February thru March 2019
Gallery hours, M-F, 9-5
137 S. Mill St., Fergus Falls, MN



Art has always been a part of Andrew's life from visiting galleries and museums, watching the creations of friends and family and her own connections with creation. Andrews does not ever remember not looking at things and seeing something else in them, acorn were fairy hats, hollyhock flowers were beautiful gowns.

Andrews experiences the most pleasure when she creates art that pleases her and if someone else also sees that, she feels a kinship with them. "I am most drawn to forms of art where I can follow what the medium is doing and manipulate it for effect. Fluid acrylics allows you to interact with the paint as it moves on the canvas, adding, swiping, or blowing to expose what's at different layers in the paint. Well done this creates magical, organic and jaw dropping art and when not done well, it's mud. This interaction with the medium draws me in and out of the flow of time, creating a meditative, Zen experience." *Andrews*

Photo credit: "Spring Snow" Fluid Acrylics, Kate Andrews



LRAC Individual Grants

Spring Legacy Individual Grant Application

YES! Spring!

\$26,138 to be awarded in the Spring Legacy Individual Grant Round.

It's time to wrap up your Spring LRAC Legacy Individual Grant.

Important Legacy Grant Dates to remember:

- **Grant Deadline: midnight, Tuesday, March 5, 2019**

- Grant Review: April 16, 2019 (mark your calendar if presenting)
- Grant Start Date: after April 17, 2019



LRAC Career Development Grant

Apply for up to \$1,200 for your artistic journey

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Now's the time to start planning the next phase of your artistic life. The grant is open to all disciplines for residents of the LRAC nine county region.

The Career Development Grant will pay for:

- Workshops, classes, one on one mentorships,
- Supplies, equipment, marketing, promotion,
- Travel, time, expenses while creating new work

To learn more about the application, watch the recorded Career Development Grant Writing Workshop.

Note: the Editing Services will be available for the Career Development Grant narrative. Please contact the LRAC office if you would like to take advantage of this great opportunity.

Important Dates:

- Last Day for Grant Editing Services, Friday, March 22, 2019
- **Grant Deadline: Tuesday, April 2, 2019**
- Grant Review: Tuesday, May 21, 2019
- Grant Start Date: After May 22, 2019

[Click Here to Watch the Career Development Grant Writing Webinar](#)

LRAC 2019 Fellowship Grant

One \$5,000 award to a Literary or Performance Artist

The 2019 Fellowship Grant is open to Literary and Performance disciplines this year. The grant recognizes, rewards and honors one person for their outstanding work in the field and in the LRAC region over the past five years.



To learn more about the Fellowship Grant Application, sign up for the Grant Writing Webinar on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 6:00 pm. The webinar will be recorded for play and will be on the LRAC4.org website.

Note: the Editing Services will be available for the Fellowship Grant narrative. Please contact the LRAC office if you would like to take advantage of this great opportunity.

Important Dates:

- Grant Writing Webinar: Tuesday, March 26, 2019
- Last Day for Editing Services: Friday, April 26, 2019
- **Grant Deadline: Tuesday, May 7, 2019**

- Grant Review: Tuesday, June 18, 2019
- Grant Start Date: After June 19, 2019

Register for the Fellowship Grant Writing Webinar



LRAC Organization Grants

LRAC Grant Announcements

Watch for the official announcements in the coming months for:

- 2019 Operating Support Grants to Arts Organizations, \$52,500
- 2019 Spring Project Grants, \$19,300



Spring Legacy Organization Grant Application

\$104,533 to be awarded in the Spring Legacy Organization Grant Round.

It's time to wrap up your organization's Spring Legacy Grant.

Important Legacy Grant Dates to remember:

- **Grant Deadline: midnight, Tuesday, March 5, 2019**
- Grant Review: April 16, 2019 (mark your calendar if presenting)
- Grant Start Date: any time after April 17, 2019



Other Opportunities

Minnesota State Arts Board

March deadline: Festival Support Grant

Minnesota Festival Support is a grant program designed to provide meaningful arts experiences to Minnesotans through festivals that celebrate the arts, build community, and expose communities to diverse art forms including folk and traditional arts.

Deadline is Friday, March 22, 2019



MSAB Festival Support Grant Information

McKnight Fellowship Opportunities

Three Upcoming Applications Due Soon

The state wide McKnight Fellowship Programs are managed by various artist organizations. Here's a list of some of the upcoming application deadlines and links to their sites.



Minnesota College of Arts and Design

#1 The **McKnight Fellowships for Visual Artists** program rewards talented Minnesota visual artists whose work is of exceptional artistic merit, who have created a substantial body of work over a period of time, and who are at a career stage beyond emerging. In 2019 there will be **six \$25,000 fellowships awarded**.

The 2019 McKnight Visual Artist Fellowship application is now open!
Deadline to apply is **Friday, March 29, 2019 at noon**.



[Click Here for more information](#)

American Composers Forum

#2 The McKnight Fellowships provide recognition and financial support for midcareer **composers** working in any musical genre. The program is designed to award composers whose work is of exceptional artistic merit, who have created a substantial body of work over a period of time, and who are at a career stage that is beyond emerging. In 2019 there are **four fellowships of \$25,000** in unrestricted funds will be awarded. Awards are subject to state and federal income tax guidelines.

Deadline to apply is **Friday, March 29, 2019 at 11:59 pm**.



[Click Here for more information](#)

Playwright Center

#3 The McKnight Theater Artist Fellowships at the Playwrights' Center recognize theater artists other than playwrights. The intent of the program is to recognize and support mid-career artists living and working in Minnesota who demonstrate a sustained level of accomplishment, commitment, and artistic excellence. Three \$25,000 fellowships are intended to significantly advance recipients' art and careers. The theater artist fellowship is open to actors, directors, dramaturgs, stage managers and theatrical designers (including puppetry). It is also open to choreographers and composers whose main body of work is in theater.

Deadline to apply is **Friday, April 11, 2019**.



[Click Here for more information](#)

Jerome Foundation

Film, Video, and Digital Production Grant



This program provides grants to individual filmmakers to support specific projects, both short and full-length, for production and select post-production expenses (not pre-production, or marketing, distribution, or festival fees). The program also does not fund retroactively: only costs incurred after the grant is awarded and a grant contract is signed will be supported.

The awards of up to \$30,000 do not require matching funds. This program is offered every two years. Funds awarded can be used between October 31, 2019 and October 31, 2021.

Application Deadline: May 1, 2019, 4:00 pm

[Click Here for more information](#)



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