



Featured in this issue: A.R.E. Cohort Artists Announced, Upcoming Grants, Other Opportunities

LRAC November Art Headlines

LRAC Announces Members of the A.R.E. Cohort

LRAC is pleased to announce that the following artists will be participating in the Arts Resource Experts (A.R.E.) Cohort. Thank you to all who submitted an application. Next year the program will be open to more applicants.

Congratulations to A.R.E. Cohort Artists:

Becky Albright, Douglas
Amanda Boyle, Grant
Sarah Eckel, Stevens
Alexis Johnson, Traverse
Javier Lara-Ruiz, Traverse
Maranda Pedersen, Clay
Jodi Peterson, Clay
Sean Scott, Otter Tail
Jon Thompson, Douglas
Kaija Thorsen, Otter Tail



Cohort artists will receive intensive help in building their careers. Participation in the program is free. The Arts Resource Experts Program is a special pilot project. Our goal is to connect artists with resources, information and opportunities. Cohort artists were selected on the criteria of geographic representation in the 9 county LRAC area, representation of artistic disciplines and commitment to their art.

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Featured Event

Continental Ballet presents "Cinderella"

November 4, 7:30 p.m.

Top Hat Theatre

27 2nd St NW, Ulen, MN 56585

Phone: (218) 596-8853

www.thetophattheatre.com



Cinderella and her prince make a heart-warming dream come true, in spite of her humorous stepfamily. Continental Ballet's founder/director Riet Velthusien created this arrangement of the music originally composed by Rossini.

The ballet tells the traditional story of Cinderella, complete with fairies and a handsome prince. Cinderella is not invited to the ball, but through her kindness to a stranger, magical events happen that allow her to attend the ball and meet her prince. With exquisite dancing, as well as beautiful costumes and sets, this ballet is a delight for all ages.

Created in 2005, the Top Hat Theatre promotes quality programming throughout the year. Performances are in the Barry J. Houglum Auditorium, a 312 seat theater located in the Ulen-Hitterdal Public School.

Continental Ballet - Cinderella
Top Hat Theatre

Featured Artist

Adam Priebnow
Dakota Crystalline Pottery

2017 LRAC Career Development Grantee

Priebnow's goal was to achieve consistency and mastery of crystalline glazes. "The work is delicate and part of the challenge is having consistency in firing and glaze chemicals to achieve high quality results."

Since receiving his grant his art has been available at the Plains Art Museum, the Revland Gallery and the Red River Market. Adam has also expanded into the production of funeral urns.

[His pottery is available through his Etsy shop:](#)



Dakota Crystalline
Pottery

Dakota Crystalline Pottery Facebook page

LRAC Gallery Exhibits

Main Gallery,
"Donald Clark & Wil Shynkaruk Exhibit"
Oct. 11 through Dec. 22
Artist Talk & Reception, Oct. 17, 5-6:30 pm
LRAC Gallery Hours, M-F, 9-5

Featuring works created by Donald Clark, photographer and faculty at MSU, Moorhead, School of Media Arts and Design and Wil Shynkaruk, ceramic artist and faculty at MSU, Moorhead, School of Art.

The exhibit will be a creative mix of photography and ceramics, playing the visual images of the photographs off the three dimensional shapes and colors of the ceramic pieces.

This exhibit will be up until Dec. 22.



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by
Wil Shynkaruk

Solo Gallery,
"Carmen Bruhn, Solo Artist Exhibit"
October - November, 2017
Artist Talk & Reception, Oct. 17, 5-7 pm
LRAC Gallery Hours, M-F, 9-5

"When I paint, I let my intuition guide the creative process in hopes that part of my energy stays connected in my work. Somewhere along the process, it is my hope that my energy or spirit can translate into emotion. You know, there is magic in the act of painting, you just have to believe in the process." Watermedia artist Carmen Bruhn favors design that is inspired by both life and conceptual ideas that define form as elegant and modern. She loves to use bright colors, flat shapes and repetitious pattern.



Carmen Bruhn

Bruhn realized her passion for art and design while in architecture school in Panama. In her journey from her birth in the Republic of Panama to her current home in Detroit Lakes, Carmen's color pallet reflects her love of the ocean, the exuberant rainforest and the earthy colors of the Midwest. A life-long learner, she continues her formal and informal art studies through workshops, teaching and learning from other artists.

[More information about Carmen Bruhn on LRAC's Art Calendar!](#)

Artists of Lake Region,
Lake Region Arts Council
YouTube Channel Playlist



West central Minnesota is rich with talented artists of all kinds - painters, musicians, sculptors, writers, and many more. We hope you enjoy these videos, and become a subscriber to this channel!

<https://www.youtube.com/user/LakeRegionArts/videos>

Click Here to watch Artists of Lake Region on
You Tube

LRAC Artist Quick Start Grants

Six Individuals Awarded \$750 each

\$4,500 to Move Artists Forward

Six individuals from the LRAC region were awarded the Artist Quick Start Grant at the September 2017 Board meeting.

[Click here to read the full article.](#)



LRAC Operating Support Grant 2018

Start Planning Now for the 2018

\$42,500 Available for Arts Organizations in the LRAC region.

As 2017 is winding down, it's time to start planning for your arts organization's 2018 financial needs.

- **Step #1:** File your 2017 LRAC Operating Support Grant Final Report in the old LRACgrants.org.
- **Step #2:** Create a profile in the new [LRAC Foundant online grant system](#).
- **Step #3:** Sign up and participate in the LRAC Operating Support Grant Writing Webinar
- **Step #4:** Determine your 2018 Operating Support Request Amount
- **Step #5:** Start the FY18 Operating Support Grant Application



FAQs:

Is my arts organization eligible to apply? Answer YES to each of these questions!

Are you a 501(c)3 non profit arts organization located in the LRAC 9 county region?

Is 60% or more of your total expenses budget spent on arts programming?
Is your annual expense budget \$166,000 or less for the last full completed year?
Are you three years old based on your IRS non profit letter and MN Certification?

What are the important dates?

November 28, 2017, FY18 Operating Support Grant Writing Webinar
December 15, 2017, FY17 Operating Support Grant Final Report Due
January 9, 2017, FY18 Operating Support Grant Application Deadline
January 16, 2017 FY17 Operating Support Final Report Board Review, (20% Payment)
February 20, 2018, FY18 Operating Support Grant Application Board Review, (80%)

How much money could my arts organizations ask for?

You may request 10% of your last full year's budget expenses with a \$6,000 cap.
If your fiscal year is ending December 31, 2017, your last full year is 2016.
If your fiscal year ended in October, September or June, your last full year is 2017.

What could the Operating Support funds be spent on?

Basic expenses such as insurance premiums, utilities, supplies, and other expenses
Administrative expenses such as staff salaries, consultants or contracted staff
Equipment expenses such as water heaters, lighting or sound equipment, etc
Capital Improvement project such as construction or installation projects.

Need to know more?

[Sign up for the Grant Writing Webinar.](#)
[Contact the LRAC office.](#)
[Check out the LRAC Operating Support Grant Guidelines.](#)

[Check out the LRAC Operating Support Tip Sheet.](#)

Looking Ahead to Spring

Have a Great Idea for a Project, But Missed the Deadline?

Don't panic!! Spring Grant Rounds will be available in 2018. Both Project Grants and Legacy Grants have a second grant round this fiscal year. Career Development for individuals will be offered in the Spring.



Spring Grant Awards

- Project Grant: \$18,395, Deadline, February 6, 2018
- Legacy Grant: \$106,015 Deadline March 6, 2018
- Career Development, grants for up to \$1,200 each, Deadline April 3, 2018

Why not start your research now!

Here are some suggestions for getting a jump on the Spring grant round.

1. Read the Grant **Guidelines**.
2. Watch the Grant Writing **Webinars**
3. Check out the Grant Writing **Tip Sheets**
4. Contact the LRAC office to discuss your potential project.

Check out the LRAC4.org website for more information on LRAC Grant programs.

MN State Arts Board

Looking ahead to 2018

2019 MSAB Operating Support Grant

Operating Support provides general operating support to high quality, established arts organizations that produce, present, or exhibit works of art; to organizations that provide a broad range of services to artists;

and to community arts schools and conservatories that make arts learning available to Minnesotans of all ages and abilities.

Application deadline

FY 2019 application deadline is January 19, 2018. Funds must be expended by June 30, 2019.

[Click here for the full calendar:](#)



[Visit MSAB Website](#)

Regional Opportunities

Something to Think about...

Women's Art Resources of Minnesota

Stuck in an art rut? You need this! Warm Mentor Program 2018



For the past 35 years, the WARM Mentor Program has been changing the course of women's and feminist artists' lives, as well as affecting change in the Twin Cities and greater Minnesota art scenes.

The Mentor Program has been helping feminist artists at all stages to develop their careers through mentorship. Established artist/mentors are paired with protégée's; together the pair embarks on a two-year Journey that explores in depth the protégée's creative needs and goals.

The deadline for this unique 2 year opportunity is Nov. 19, 2017

[Click here for more information:](#)

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