



## LRAC November Art Headlines



### LRAC News Brief

#### \$10,000 Legacy Local Government Grants

Would your home town be interested in \$10,000 for a public art project?

The LRAC Arts Legacy Grants for Local Governments serve to recognize county, city and township governments that support the arts and to encourage local government leaders to use the arts to build healthy communities.

The application requirements are:

- Participate in Individualized Support meetings with LRAC.
- Have plans for a Public Art project, or an arts focused festival or a community visual/performing arts event or developing a community arts organization such as a community choir and activities meet clearly defined community needs, and are the results tangible?
- Have an arts adviser/committee as part of local government structure.
- Include involvement from at least two community groups or organizations.
- Have a plan for education and informing the community about the impact of the arts.

Please contact the LRAC office for more information.



[Click here to view Local Government Grant Guidelines](#)



### Cultural and Heritage Event

#### Pangea - Cultivate Our Cultures

November 16, 2019  
Hjemkomst Center  
202 First Avenue North  
Moorhead, MN 56560  
(218) 299-5511, ext. 6738



Pangea-Cultivate Our Cultures, is a free annual celebration of cultural diversity - and the largest festival of its kind in the community. From 10AM to 4PM, the Hjemkomst Center will be filled with an international market of vendors and local arts groups, the main stage offers a global showcase of local talent, and the auditorium will once again smell as

delicious as the food our local chefs have created for our "Tastes of the World" menu. This fall Pangea marks its 25th year of highlighting our local community's global roots and continues to immerse our visitors in the region's vibrant diversity through food, music, arts, crafts, stories, and children's activities. In celebration of the milestone, we've added biodegradable food ware, upgraded our sound system and lights, and added a smaller second stage in the Hjemkomst Center atrium for acoustic performances and demonstrations (from a ukulele set to an animal visit from the Red River Zoo!). Please join us! Admission is free. Market and menu items are extra.

[Click here for more information](#)



## Featured Event

### Arts Mentorship Program:

OVER \$9,000 Available in Scholarships from Lake Region Arts Council!

In the photo to your right, is a potential Arts Mentorship Program Scholarship winner - unfortunately, he has to wait a few more years to be eligible for the Program. But if you are in grades 9 - 11, and live in Becker, Clay, Douglas, Grant, Otter Tail, Pope, Stevens, Traverse or Wilkin counties, you are eligible right now to win a once in a lifetime scholarship, and the opportunity to study one-on-one with a professional artist or attend a workshop this coming summer/2020! Areas of study include, but are not limited to: dance, music, theater, architecture, photography, costume or set design, creative writing, visual art, audio recording, etc.!



Applications for summer of 2020 Arts Mentorship Program will be available beginning Sunday, December 1, 2019 (deadline to submit your application is Wednesday, January 22, 2020). Contact Rebecca Davis, Program Coordinator, @ LRAC4@LRACgrants.org or call 218-739-5780.

### Congratulations to this year's students and mentors for a successful Showcase and mentoring experience!

*The Arts Mentorship Program Showcase is held every October at A Center for the Arts in Fergus Falls, and gives students the opportunity to perform or exhibit work achieved during their mentorship for appreciative and supportive family members, friends and the general public*

[Click here for more information](#)



## Featured Artist

### Patricia Wahl, Abstract Artist FY20 LRAC Artist Cohort

Born and raised in South Louisiana, Patricia Ann Wahl always had a passion for the arts, and loved to draw and paint from a very early age. As a high school student, she studied under the direction of Rebecca Bergeron and had her work displayed at the University of Southern Louisiana. Patricia continues her journey as a self-taught artist with a special interest in abstract art and the use of acrylics as

her medium.

Mrs. Wahl appreciates the use of different techniques that can be achieved with acrylic paints and applies many different pallet knife effects, as well as brush stroke effects, to create and obtain that "certain look" she is going for in an abstract painting.



In addition to her many commissioned works since moving to Minnesota in 2000, Patricia had her "All About Me" collection exhibited in Fergus Falls, became a member of Art of the Lakes Gallery in Battle Lake, has displayed her art in various shows and exhibits at the New York Mills Regional Cultural Center and was selected by the Kaddaltz Gallery to be the April 2019 Artist-in-Residence at Cleveland Elementary School where she taught four hundred 3rd and 4th graders all about primary and secondary colors in a two-part acrylic painting project. Currently, Mrs. Wahl displays some of her work, including prints and notecards, at Lincoln Avenue Antiques in downtown Fergus Falls.

When she is not busy with a brush in hand, Patricia enjoys spending time with her husband, children and granddaughter, Adyson, who is already being taught all about painting when they create paintings of unicorns and flowers together. With a passion for antiques and flea markets, she also finds repurposing, gardening, cooking and music of interest.

[Click here for Patricia Wahl's Website](#)



## LRAC Gallery Exhibits

### Main Gallery

#### "Against the Grain Exhibit"

Lake Region Arts Council

McKnight Gallery

October 1, 2019 - December 20, 2019

Reception, Nov. 19, 2019, 5-6:30 pm

Lake Region Arts Council (LRAC) is pleased to announce the opening of "Against the Grain" exhibit that features regional artists that work with wood. Their work will be on display in our McKnight Gallery, October 1, 2019 through December 20, 2019.



We hope you will attend the public reception for the "Against the Grain" exhibit to be held in the McKnight Gallery on Tuesday, November 19, 2019 from 5:00 - 6:30 pm. This event is free and open to the public.

Artists chosen for this exhibit include:

Jim Wilkus, Underwood

Jewett Benson, Alexandria

Bill Seykora, Alexandria

Gary Anderson, Fergus Falls

Dick DuBord, Dent

Rose Kranz, Richfield (Underwood, summer home)

Dave Jacobson, Fergus Falls

Photo credit: Resin Bowls, by Bill Sekora

## **LRAC Solo Gallery**

### **Vicky Radel: Raw Wood/Encaustic Exhibit**

LRAC Solo Gallery

October 1 - November 29, 2019

"I am a woman that belongs to the prairie. I was born and raised on the Minnesota prairie and left it for the city for 30 years. Nine years ago my husband and I moved back to the prairie to be stewards of our land. I am blessed to live every day in the amazing beauty and healing of the land. That beauty infuses my work and is seen in the horizons, prairie fires, flowers, grasses, trees, big skies, colors and textures.



I started my artistic pursuits with photography and various classes in painting and mixed media. It wasn't until I took classes in encaustic painting that I felt I had found "my" medium. I was finally able to achieve the look and the feel I had been looking for. I was thrilled.

Encaustic medium is made of beeswax and resin to which pigment is added and applied to wood or another porous substrate in a molten state and fused and manipulated with heat. It is an incredibly pliable surface with layers of wax creating depth and receiving impressions, marks, images and collage elements. Creative options are many and make work in this medium very enjoyable.

In my experience with encaustic painting, the medium itself is as much a participant in the process as my own ideas. We work as co-creators of each painting. I am often surprised by the interactions of heat with the pigmented wax which will move and shape with my guidance yet often give birth to a texture or blending of color that is unexpected. The process is an interactive and interesting journey of discovery and joy

I like to integrate my photography into my encaustic work to capture the beauty and mystery of nature in a way the viewer can experience the energetic and sensual feel of a certain place at a certain time. Nature often offers us abstract expressions that draw the viewer in to look closer and wonder about images, capturing the imagination. I am continually inspired and nourished by the landscapes of the prairie where I live and work."

[Click here for Vicky Radel's Website](#)



## **LRAC Grant Announcements**

### **LRAC Fall Project Grant**

Five exciting and interesting projects were awarded grants in the Fall Project Grant Round.

\$12,870 will go a long way to create amazing arts opportunities in the coming months.



[Click Here to Read the Full Announcement](#)

## **LRAC Individual Grants**

## LRAC Fall Legacy Individual Grant

\$12,327 will be awarded in the Fall Legacy Individual Grant Round.

*Watch for the announcement in the January ArtsNews*

### Important Dates:

- Grant Review, Tuesday, November 19, 2019
- **Grant Start Date, Wednesday, December 20, 2019**



## LRAC Organization Grants

### LRAC Fall Legacy Organization Grant

\$49,300 will be awarded in the Fall Legacy Organization Grant Round.

*Watch for the announcement in the January ArtsNews*

### Important Dates:

- Grant Review, Tuesday, November 19, 2019
- **Grant Start Date, Wednesday, December 20, 2019**



## LRAC Operating Support Grant

### Wrapping Up 2019 and Planning Ahead for 2020

A friendly reminder to all Arts organizations in the LRAC region.

- ***Will your organization be applying to LRAC or MSAB?***



### **For 2020, the expenses limit is \$174,000 to apply for LRAC funding.**

If your organization is above this amount, contact MSAB to make sure your organization qualifies for the MSAB grant program based on their formula.

LRAC will be awarding **\$64,173** in Operating Support Grants to Arts Organization in the LRAC region. Arts Organizations with general expenses under \$174,000 are eligible to apply for up to \$6,000 for the coming year.

### **2019 LRAC Operating Support Grantees:**

- **Your final report is due Monday, December 16, 2019.**

Watch for more details in the LRAC December ArtsNews Newsletter.



## Other Opportunities

### **The Textile Center**

**2020 McKnight Artists Fellowships for  
Fiber Artists**



Fiber art is thriving in Minnesota, and the field's growth as an artistic discipline has been validated by the McKnight Foundation's expansion of its McKnight Artist Fellowships Program to include two \$25,000 fellowships to be awarded each year to midcareer fiber artists living and working in Minnesota.

The application process through Textile Center will open on Monday, September 9, 2019, and will close Friday, November 8, 2019 at 5:00 PM CST.

The selection of the first two McKnight Fellowships for Fiber Artists will be announced at the end of 2019.

- **Deadline: Friday, November 8, 2019**

### Textile Center McKnight Fellowships

## The Highpoint Center for Printmaking 2020 McKnight Artists Fellowships for Print Makers



The intent of this 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 in the field of printmaking.

Two selected artists will receive:

An unrestricted \$25,000 award, Access to Highpoint's state-of-the-art printshop, Technical support from the fellowship coordinator, Storage space for materials, use of inks and standard shop supplies, Access to Highpoint classes, Group discussions and critiques with local and national experts in the field, McKnight Printmakers' exhibition, public talk and reception at Highpoint, Professional digital documentation of exhibited artwork, Highpoint supporting membership,

- **Deadline: Friday, November 11, 2019**

### Highpoint Center for Printmaking McKnight Fellowships

## The Loft Literary Center 2020 McKnight Artists Fellowships for Writers



The Loft administers the McKnight Artists Fellowships for Writers.

Five \$25,000 awards are presented annually to accomplished Minnesota writers and spoken word artists. Four awards alternate annually between creative prose (fiction and creative nonfiction) and poetry/spoken word.

The fifth award is presented in children's literature and alternates annually for writing for ages eight and under and writing for children older than eight.

The awards this year are in Poetry, Spoken Word and Children Younger Than Eight.

- **Deadline: Friday, November 22, 2019**

### The Loft Literary Center McKnight Fellowships



LRAC Executive Director



## Maxine Adams

Please contact the LRAC office for more information:  
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