Area artists awarded $30,185 in SW MN Arts Council grants

The SW MN Arts Council has awarded $30,185 in grants to area artists under the following Individual Artist programs:

**DEVELOPING ARTIST GRANTS** provide up to $1,500 to aid emerging artists at an early stage of their career development.

Stephanie Chappell, Hutchinson, $1,108 for writing classes at The Loft Literary Center.

Haley Jacobsen, Hutchinson, $1,450 to write, direct, and produce an original play, *The Fourth Street Circuit*, with Josh Johnson.

Rachel Kuphal, Pipestone, $1,141 to purchase a sound system, microphone, and other equipment for her performances.

Kristine Leuze, Hutchinson, $1,500 for a landscape photography series focusing on the effects of pollution.

**ESTABLISHED CAREER ARTIST GRANTS** provide up to $5,000 to aid established career artists in the advanced stage of their career development with projects that will advance their career.

Anna DeGraff, Marshall, $4,986 for two commissioned vocal pieces and two collaborative recitals.

Adrienne Watson Fritz, New London, $5,000 to produce a new body of work (30-40 paintings).

John Larson, Milan, $5,000 to sample and test native clays of southwest Minnesota and to create glazes using wood ash and local rocks.

Saara Raappana, Marshall, $5,000 for her “Stories of America” poetry project, expanding her current chapbook into a full-length collection.

Tina Anderson Richards, Walnut Grove, $5,000 to study at the Minnesota Center for Book Arts and to create an edition of leather-bound books representing her most recent large scale show, “Many Paths”.

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UPCOMING SMAC GRANT DEADLINES

SMAC grants must be applied for online. Go to www.swmnarts.org for program guidelines, application tutorial, and the link to the online grant system.

August 1, 2016:
  Monthly Grants: Arts Organization Development, Art Legacy Project Planning*

August 15, 2016:
  Equipment & Facilities Improvement, Round I
  Earliest project start date: October 15, 2016

September 1, 2016:
  Monthly Grants: Arts Organization Development, Art Legacy Project Planning*

September 19, 2016:
  Individual Artists, Round I
  Earliest project start date: November 15, 2016

October 1, 2016:
  Monthly Grants: Arts Organization Development, Art Legacy Project Planning*

October 26, 2016:
  Arts in the Schools, Round I
  Earliest project start date: December 15, 2016

December 15, 2016:
  Art Projects/Art Legacy Projects, Round II
  Earliest project start date: February 15, 2017

*Earliest project start date for monthly deadlines is the 1st of the following month.

GRANTWRITING WORKSHOPS. Plan on attending one of the following free workshops to learn more about the programs for this year and the application process. Contact the SMAC office at 800-622-5284 or info@swmnarts.org to register.

Individual Artists

August 10, 2016
  5:00 – 7:00 pm
  Hutchinson Center for the Arts
  15 Franklin St SW, Hutchinson

August 15, 2016
  5:00 – 7:00 pm
  SW MN Arts Council
  114 N 3rd St, Marshall

August 25, 2016
  5:00 – 7:00 pm
  Nobles County Art Center
  407 12th St, Worthington
  (location tentative)

Arts in the Schools

September 14 2016
  5:00 – 7:00 pm
  SW MN Arts Council
  114 N 3rd St, Marshall

Custom grant workshops and financial training available

Do you have a potential project that your arts organization is considering and need some specific grant application advice? A conference call or in-person consultation by SMAC staff may be what is needed to get your project application started.

Are you unsure how to track your organization’s financial activities or prepare reports for your board or grant applications? SMAC staff can sit down with you and your accounts to come up with a plan for your financial recordkeeping.

Please contact the SMAC office at info@swmnarts.org or 800-622-5284 if your arts organization would like to schedule a custom grant workshop or Q&A session with a SMAC staff member regarding a potential project, or to set up a financial training session.
Opportunities for emerging artists

Lanesboro Residency Program

Lanesboro Arts invites emerging artists in all media from to apply for the Lanesboro Residency Program, generously supported by the Jerome Foundation.

The program provides an opportunity for emerging artists to create new work and explore new ideas while utilizing an entire rural community and its myriad of assets as a catalytic vehicle for engagement and artistic experimentation. Through 2-week and 4-week residencies, the program offers artists lodging, studio space, project/community facilitation, a weekly stipend of $1,000, and the time and space to focus solely on their art. Artists also spend time providing opportunities for learning, dialog and enrichment within the community.

The application deadline for the 2017 Artist Residency is September 1, 2016 at 12:00 am. Complete program guidelines are available at http://lanesboroarts.org.

Jerome Foundation Fellowships for Emerging Artists

Applications are now being accepted for 2016/2017 Jerome Foundation Fellowships for Emerging Artists. Artists may work in a variety of visual art media, including both traditional and new media. Eligible applicants must be in the early stages of their careers and have not yet attained professional acknowledgment commensurate with the quality of their work.

Five grants of $12,000 each will be awarded. Fellowships may be used to purchase materials, cover the production costs of artwork, and supplement living or travel costs. During the fellowship year, each artist receives three studio visits from professional critics, access to technical assistance, a culminating exhibition at the MCAD Gallery, a catalog with a critical essay on each artist's work, and the opportunity to partake in a public panel discussion.

The program is administered by the Minneapolis College of Art and Design. Deadline to apply is noon on Friday, September 23, 2016. For more information and to apply, go to http://mcad.edu/about-mcad/fellowships/.

Go to www.swmnarts.org/news-events/ for more artist opportunities.

Online resources for arts organizations

Tech Soup
techsoup.org

Check out Tech Soup’s product donation program, which “provides eligible organizations with donated and discounted software, hardware, services, and training. Discover useful technology resources and tips through TechSoup’s blog, webinars, forums, and articles, and how-tos.”

Minnesota Council of Nonprofits
minneostanonprofits.org

“MCN works to inform, promote, connect, and strengthen individual nonprofits and the nonprofit sector.” Their resource library includes information about fundraising, communications, management, legal issues, public policy, and more. MCN also hosts nonprofit conferences, networking events, and trainings.

Nonprofits Assistance Fund
nonprofitsassistancefund.org

Nonprofits Assistance Fund “invests capital and financial expertise in nonprofits through loans, training, practical guidance, and financial management resources.” Their online resource library, workshops, webinars cover topics like nonprofit finance fundamentals, board of directors, accountability, policies, and sustainability.

CharityHowTo
charityhowto.com

“CharityHowTo provides live or recorded nonprofit training webinars and on-demand tutorials by knowledgeable experts in the field on topics including social media, annual reports, board management, fundraising, donor relationships, volunteers, and much more.”
AUGUST ARTS EVENTS

*Indicates the project was funded in part with a grant from SMAC with funds provided by the McKnight Foundation, the voters of Minnesota thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund, or by an appropriation from the Minnesota State Legislature with money from the State’s general fund.

August 1 SMAC Grant Application Deadline: Arts Org Development, Legacy Project Planning, Start-up Grants. Applications due by 4:30 pm.

August 1 SMAC Grant Workshop: Arts Legacy Project Planning, Arts Organization Development, Arts Organization Start-Up, 5:00 pm, SW MN Arts Council, 114 N 3rd St, Marshall.

*August 2 Swift County Concert Band, 7:00 pm, Riverview Park, Veum & Herring, Appleton. Part of the Appleton 52 Wing Restoration Committee Summer Concert Series.

*August 3 Tim Fast at Central Park Market, 5:00 pm, C. W. Reishus Park, Cottonwood. Tim Fast performs at Cottonwood’s Central Park Market. Also, great food and great vendors that showcase locally grown and homemade items. Information at: www.cityofcottonwoodmn.com.


August 3-7 "Urinetown: The Musical", Lake Benton Opera House, 118 E Benton St, Lake Benton. August 3-6 at 7:30 pm, August 6 & & at 2:00 pm. Winner of three Tony Awards, Urinetown is a hilarious musical satire of the legal system, social, irresponsible, bureaucracy, corporate mismanagement, municipal politics and musical theatre itself. For more info or to make reservations call 507-368-4620, email lakebentonoperahouse@gmail.com, go to www.lakebentonoperahouse.org or follow on Facebook at www.facebook.com/lakebentonoperahouse.

*August 4 Art Unveiling: Celebrate Art! Celebrate Coffee!, 11:00 am, Event Room at The Barn Theatre, 321 4th St, Willmar. Unveiling of poster and raffle art for the Celebrate Art! Celebrate Coffee! festival.

*August 4 Dinehart Front Porch Music Series: Cool Change, 7:00 pm, Dinehart Historic House Museum, 2812 Linden Ave, Slayton.
August 7 Artist Reception: Chad Balter, 2:00-4:00 pm, Nobles County Art Center, 407 12th St, Worthington.

*August 7 Spicer’s Music on the Deck, 4:00 pm, City Park, Spicer. Concerts on Sundays from July 10- August 14 are organized by the Spicer Beautification Committee.

August 8 Music on Mondays: Mahlstedt Family, 7:00 pm, Canby Central Park, Canby. Bluegrass and gospel music. Free to the public; however free-will donations will be welcomed. After covering the costs of the musical programs, all proceeds will be donated to the Canby Theater Renovation Project for the second theater projection system. $7 walking taco meals will be available starting at 6:00 pm. In case of inclement weather performances will be held in the Canby Community Center.

*August 9 Danube Concert in the Park, 7:00 pm, Mueller Park Bandstand, 404 1st St, Danube.

*August 10 Crailsheim Bridge Unveiling & Dedication, 4:00-8:00 pm, Chautauqua Park, Lake Ave, Worthington. Unveiling of the Crailsheim Bridge: Connecting Our Sister Cities public art project.

*August 10 SMAC Grant Workshop: Individual Artist Grants, 5:00 pm, Hutchinson Center for the Arts, 15 Franklin St SW, Hutchinson.

*August 10 Jerry Ostensoe at Central Park Market, 5:00 pm, C. W. Reishus Park, Cottonwood. Jerry Ostensoe performs at Cottonwood’s Central Park Market. Also, great food and great vendors that showcase locally grown and homemade items. Information at: www.cityofcottonwoodmn.com.


*August 10-13 & 15-19 "Laughter on the 23rd Floor", 7:30 pm, The Barn Theatre, 321 SW 4th St, Willmar. Barn Theatre production of Neil Simon’s "Laughter on the 23rd Floor". Inspired by the playwright’s youthful experience as a staff writer on Sid Caesar’s Your Show of Shows, with all the attendant comic drama as the harried writing staff frantically scrambles to top each other with gags while competing for the attention of star madman "Max Prince". Information and tickets at www.thebarntheatre.com.

*August 11 Retro Revival Movie Night, 5:30 pm, Watson City Park, 503 County Road 9, Watson. Family activities, food, and a talk on the horror genre as an expression of American movie culture with a showing of a classic horror film in the style of Frankenstein or Dracula at dusk. Bring a lawn chair and bug spray. Suggested donation of $5/person or $20/family. Part of the City of Watson’s "Renewing Watson: Art, Music, & Engagement" project. Rain location: Town Hall. Information at cityofwatson@mvtwireless.com or 320-269-8543.

August 12-13 Two-Day Photography Workshop, 30667 County Road 2, Redwood Falls. Friday 7:00-9:00 pm, Saturday 8:00 am-3:00 pm. Have fun with your photography and learn how to take better pictures. Special focus on composition skills. Taught by Molly Schweinfurter. Information at www.mojophotographyworkshops.com, cedigmo@gmail.com, or 507-828-3282.

*August 13 SMAC Grant Review Panel: Art Projects and Art Legacy Projects, 9:00 am, SW MN Arts Council, 114 N 3rd St, Marshall.

*August 13 & 14 Pipestone Civil War Days, 8:00-5:00 pm, Hiawatha Pageant Park, 850 N Hiawatha Ave, Pipestone. Visitors are invited to interact with civilian and military reenactors to share some of the flavor of the 1860’s. Reenactors, or living historians, from around our nation recreate scenes of daily life from the home to religion to education to military camps. Events throughout the weekend include educational programs, etiquette and ballroom dance lessons, camp tours, children’s games, Sunday morning church services, a Grand Ball and much more! The roar of the cannon, the smell of gun powder, and the work of our reenactors, performers, and other participants make a full immersion in the 1860s possible. Information at www.pipestonemnnesota.com/cwd/.

*August 13 Muse on the Minnesota Riverside Market, 9:00 am – 7:00 pm, Riverside Plazas/Parks, Downtown Granite Falls. Monthly arts and crafts market and food vendors with performances in the early afternoon and evening will take place on the 2nd Saturday of the month, May through September. Free concert from 12:00 to 3:00 pm features the Outta Towners, Ukelele Drive, & Ron Hanson. Minnesota Sings competition will also take place at 2:00 pm, open to residents ages 15-25. Organized by Granite Falls Riverfront Revitalization.

*August 14 Spicer’s Music on the Deck, 4:00 pm, City Park, Spicer. Concerts on Sundays from July 10- August 14 are organized by the Spicer Beautification Committee.

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*August 17 Quarter to 4:30 at Central Park Market, 5:00 pm, C. W. Reishus Park, Cottonwood. Quarter to 4:30 performs at Cottonwood’s Central Park Market. Also, great food and great vendors that showcase locally grown and homemade items. Information at: www.cityofcottonwoodmn.com.


*August 20 New London Music Festival, 12:00-10:00 pm, Neer Park, 311 2nd Ave SE, New London. Afternoon Session 12:00 pm - 6:00 pm (includes children’s activities): The Prairie Fire Lady Choir, Mill Pond Jazz Combo, Jerry Ostensoe & The Strollers, The Jack Brass Band. Evening Session 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm: Bernie King & The Guilty Pleasures, Ross Klein & The Thrill. Information at: www.newlondonmusicfestival.org.


*August 23 SMAC Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, SW MN Arts Council, 114 N 3rd St, Marshall.

*August 23 Danube Concert in the Park, 7:00 pm, Mueller Park Bandstand, 404 1st St, Danube.

*August 25 SMAC Grant Workshop: Individual Artist Grants, 5:00 pm, Nobles County Art Center, 407 12th St, Worthington.

August 25 Artist Reception: Valerie Berg, 7:00-9:00 pm, KK Berge Gallery, 807 Prentice Street, Granite Falls.

August 26 Potluck Performances: Johnny & Molly of Communist Daughter, 6:00 pm, Hutchinson Center for the Arts, 15 Franklin St SW, Hutchinson. Potluck begins at 6:00pm, and show starts at 7:00pm. Bring a small dish to share, take some time to chat with old friends, and meet new music lovers. Then, enjoy top-notch acts in the coolest little concert venue in town. Tickets sales are limited to guarantee unique, personalized performances. Order soon to reserve your seat ($15). HCA provides all the plates and utensils, plus a cash bar. Sorry, no outside beverages or alcohol permitted. Information at www.hutchinsonarts.org/potluckperformances.


*August 30 MAFAC Photography Contest Awards Presentation, 5:00 pm, Marshall Area Fine Arts Council, 109 N 3rd St, Marshall. Visit the arts center August 16-27 to vote for your favorite, then return for the awards presentation on August 30.

Do you or your organization have a performance, exhibit, class, or other arts event coming up?

Use our event submission form at www.swmnarts.org or email us at info@swmnarts.org to get your event posted on SMAC's area arts events calendar online and in our newsletter.

Newsletter deadline for September events: August 23, 2016.
GALLERIES

SMAC Art Gallery. 114 N 3rd St, Marshall. Through August 26: Sima Amid-Wewetz, paintings. Visit the gallery Monday - Friday from 8:00 am -noon & 1:00 - 4:30 pm.


Brandenburg Gallery. 213 E Luverne St, Luverne. Through August 19: Fred Cogelow, wood carving. Gallery Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 am-5:00 pm, Saturday 10:00 am-5:00 pm. Information at 507-283-1884.

*Hutchinson Center for the Arts. 15 Franklin St SW, Hutchinson. Through August 24: Anne Rynearson, “Impermanent Domains”, paintings. August 29 through October 5: Deb Bates Larson, “Couch Culture”, paintings. Reception September 10, 4:00-6:00 pm. Gallery Hours: Monday - Thursday 10:00 am-5:00 pm. Information at 320-587-7278 or www.hutchinsonarts.org.

*KK Berge Gallery (Granite Area Arts Council). 807 Prentice St, Granite Falls. August 15 through September 28: Valerie Berg, etched glass designs. Reception August 25, 7:00-9:00 pm. Gallery hours Monday – Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, Saturday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. Information at 320-564-4240 or www.facebook.com/GraniteAreaArtsCouncil.

*Marshall Area Fine Arts Council (MAFAC). 109 N 3rd St, Marshall. Through August 12: Dan Wahl, “Bird Spaces”. August 16 through September 23: Photography Competition/Exhibit. Awards presentation August 30, 5:00-6:00 pm. Gallery Hours: Tuesday - Friday 12:00-5:30 pm, Saturday 11:00 am - 3:00 pm. Info at 507-532-5463 or www.mafac.net.

Milan Village Arts School. Junction of MN Highway 7/59 and MN Highway 40, Milan. For information on upcoming classes, call 320-734-4807 or visit milanvillageartschool.org.

Minnesota Machinery Museum. 100 N 1st St, Hanley Falls. Permanent collection of rural art. Open May 15-September 30, Monday-Saturday 10:00 am-4:00 pm, Sunday 1:00 - 4:30 pm. Info at 507-768-3522 or www.mmmachinerymuseum.org.

Nobles County Art Center. 407 12th St, Worthington. August: Works by A. E. Schar from the Art Center’s permanent collection and community member collections. Monday - Friday 12:00 - 2:30 pm. Info at 507-372-8245.


Ridgewater College Gallery—Hutchinson. Adjacent to Commons, 2 Century Avenue SE, Hutchinson. Info at www.ridgewater.edu or 320-234-8518.


Robert Remick Gallery/Cottonwood County Historical Society. 812 Fourth Ave, Windom. Through September 3: Jolene Wirkus, “Facets of Inner Strength”, acrylic and mixed media. Gallery Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm, Saturday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. For more info, call 507-831-1134 or email cchs@windomnet.com.

A Thousand Cranes Art Gallery. 326 S Main St, New London. Open Wednesday - Saturday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, April - December. Information at 320-354-5818 or www.athousandcranesartgallery.com.

Tokheim Pottery. 2057 361st Ave, Dawson. Visit www.tokheim-stoneware.com for more info about the gallery or call 320-769-2142 or email info@tokheim-stoneware.com.

William Whipple Gallery. In Bellows Academic Center 291 at Southwest Minnesota State University, Marshall. Through September 27: “Floating Ink: Contemporary Chinese Art.” Reception September 12, 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Call 507-537-6266 for hours and information.


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