Mary Mulenburg’s photography to be featured in SMAC Gallery

Photography by Mary Mulenburg of Glencoe will be on display in the Southwest Minnesota Arts Council Gallery from September 10 through October 30, 2015.

Mulenburg says, “Photography has been a major part of my life for so many years that I can’t picture myself without a camera by my side, always anticipating the next striking composition to present itself. I first picked up a camera in my teens and the sentimental part of me was thrilled at the ability to preserve details of the people, places and events that were special to me. Growing up, my family always centered our leisure time on outdoor activities and I grew to appreciate nature in a deep way. I always loved drawing and painting, but photography held a special appeal for me. It could enable me to capture the beauty that I witnessed all around me.

“Nature photography is the way I express myself. It has become my voice for what I value most in life, the incredible beauty and intricacy of our world. I am attracted to small details and subtleties that can easily go unnoticed. I love focusing on abstractions, and find them in the continually shifting patterns of water reflections, clouds and flora. I do a minimal amount of post processing, preferring to document the moment as it is. I want my images to bring a smile to people's hearts and move them to feel gratitude and reverence for this magnificent world we live in. It is also my hope that people will be moved to do whatever they can to preserve and protect it.”

Mulenburg grew up in Madison, Wisconsin and earned a BA in Fine Arts (emphasis in photography) from Washington State University. After returning to the Midwest and raising her children, Mulenburg says she has “recently been venturing out into the art world more seriously.” She has participated in gallery exhibits and competitions, volunteers at the Hutchinson Center for the Arts and the Glencoe-Silver Lake schools, and is a member of the Hutchinson Photography Club. She received an Individual Artist grant from SMAC in 2014.

“The learning curve never ends and I am continually growing as an artist. I am excited to be connecting with more photographers, artists, and art lovers. It is such a joy to be expressing myself and finding spiritual fulfillment through what I love, making photographs!”

The public is invited to visit the SMAC art gallery for a reception from 5:00 - 7:00 pm on Thursday, September 10, 2015. Enjoy live music during the reception. Regular Gallery hours are Monday - Friday, 8:00 am to noon and 1:00 to 4:30 pm.

Woodland Strings Quartet to perform at SMAC Gallery

Come hear the Woodland Strings Quartet of Marshall perform at the SMAC Gallery in Marshall on Thursday, September 10 from 5:30 to 6:30 pm, during Mary Mulenburg’s exhibit reception.
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.

September 1, 2015:  
Monthly Grants: Arts Organization Development, Art Legacy Project Planning, & Arts Org Start-Up*

September 8, 2015:  
Pre-submission of CDP report for Operating Support grants

September 15, 2015:  
Individual Artists, Round I  
Earliest project start date: November 15, 2015

October 1, 2015:  
Monthly Grants: Arts Organization Development, Art Legacy Project Planning, & Arts Org Start-Up*

October 14, 2015:  
Legacy Equipment & Facilities Improvement  
Earliest project start date: December 15, 2015  
Workshop attendance required

October 14, 2015:  
Operating Support  
Earliest project start date: January 1, 2016

October 22, 2015:  
Arts in the Schools, Round I  
Earliest project start date: December 15, 2015

November 1, 2015:  
Monthly Grants: Arts Organization Development, Art Legacy Project Planning, & Arts Org Start-Up*

December 14, 2015:  
Art Projects & Art Legacy Projects, Round I  
Earliest project start date: February 15, 2016

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

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Looking for more arts opportunities?

Go to www.swmnarts.org, then click on “News and Events”. You’ll find info about calls for artists, fellowships, conferences, and more.

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.

Legacy Equipment & Facilities Improvement

September 1, 2015  
5:00 – 7:00 pm  
SW MN Arts Council  
114 N 3rd St, Marshall

Arts in the Schools

September 15, 2015  
5:00 – 7:00 pm  
SW MN Arts Council  
114 N 3rd St, Marshall

November 4, 2015  
5:00 – 7:00 pm  
Venue TBD

November 5, 2015  
5:00 – 7:00 pm  
SW MN Arts Council  
Redwood Falls  
114 N 3rd St, Marshall

Arts in the Schools

December 1, 2015  
5:00 – 7:00 pm  
SW MN Arts Council  
114 N 3rd St, Marshall

December 2, 2015  
5:00 – 7:00 pm  
Venue TBD

Venue TBD  
Slayton

Venues TBD  
Canby

SMAC Office Closed September 7 for Labor Day
SMAC Annual Celebration Sept 19

Join the Southwest Minnesota Arts Council for our Annual Celebration of art and artists on September 19, 2015 in the Willmar/Spicer/New London area.

Start out by visiting the Celebrate Art! Celebrate Coffee! festival in Willmar, featuring a juried art exhibit and sale, art demonstrations, outdoor performances, hands-on art activities, and a food court and coffee café.

Next, join SMAC at the Little Crow Country Club 5 miles north of Spicer at 4:30 pm for happy hour, followed by SMAC’s annual meeting, presentation of the 2015 Prairie Disciple Award to Raeanna Gislason, dinner, and Spirit of the Region raffle. $10 raffle tickets to win a basket of specialty goods made in the SMAC Region will be sold in advance and at the event.

The evening will finish off with the live firing and unveiling of a public art sculpture in New London, with seating available at the new Goat Ridge Brewing Company’s Dam Taproom.


SMAC Annual Celebration • September 19, 2015
10am - 4 pm Visit the “Celebrate Art! Celebrate Coffee!” Festival in downtown Willmar
4:30 Happy Hour begins at Little Crow Country Club
5:30 Annual Meeting & Awards Ceremony
6:15 Dinner
7:30 Spirit of the Region Raffle winners announced
8:00 SMAC introduces artists involved in a New London public art sculpture currently firing and invites attendees to adjourn to the site
8:00 - 9:30 pm View the live firing and unveiling of a New London public art sculpture
Also view the new Riverview Passageway Mosaic Sculpture

Meander
Upper Minnesota River Art Crawl

“Around the Bend”
2015 featured artist Tamara Isfeld

Visit 30 studios featuring 45 prairie artisans!

Special Events happening throughout Meander weekend! Meander Friday Night in Granite Falls, Connie Evingson in concert at Memorial Auditorium in Dawson, and more! Visit our website or call for more details and a free brochure.

www.artsmeander.com 1-866-866-5432
**SMAC ARTS CALENDAR**

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](http://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. Deadlines for newsletter calendar submissions are listed below for each upcoming issue of Voices. Events for our online calendar may be submitted at any time.

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**SEPTEMBER ARTS EVENTS**

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

*September 1 SMAC Grantwriting Workshop: Legacy Equipment & Facilities Grants, 5:00-7:00 pm, SW MN Arts Council, 114 N Third St, Marshall.

September 6 Artist Reception: Kimberly Jansen, 2:00-4:00 pm, Nobles County Art Center, 407 12th St, Worthington.

September 7 SMAC Office Closed for Labor Day.

*September 10 SMAC Artist Reception: Mary Mulenburg, 5:00-7:00 pm, SMAC Gallery, 114 N 3rd St, Marshall. Live music by the Woodland Strings Quartet from 5:30-6:30 pm.


*September 12 Exhibit: Kristine Leuze, 2:00-6:00 pm, York Farm, 21161 York Road, Hutchinson. Kristine Leuze’s photography exhibit, "Micro Glimpses: Up Close Looks at Minnesota's Critical Landscapes" will be on display from 2-6 pm on September 12, during the York Farm Hoedown: www.yorkfarmmn.com/hoedown.htm.

September 13 Gallery Reception: Faces of the Past, 2:00-4:00 pm, Hutchinson Center for the Arts, 15 Franklin St SW, Hutchinson.

*September 15 SMAC Grant Application Deadline: Individual Artists.* Applications due by 4:30 pm.

*September 15 SMAC Grantwriting Workshop: Arts in the Schools Grants, 5:00-7:00 pm, SW MN Arts Council, 114 N Third St, Marshall.

*September 16 SMAC Grantwriting Workshop: Arts in the Schools Grants, 5:00-7:00 pm, Venue TBD, Canby.


*September 19 Celebrate Art! Celebrate Coffee!, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm, Downtown Willmar. Featuring a juried art show and sale, artists’ demonstrations, music, free hands-on make and take activities for kids both big and small, a food court, and, of course, free coffee all day! Information at www.celebrateartcelebratecoffee.com.

*September 19 SW MN Arts Council Annual Celebration, Willmar/Spicer/New London.

September 25 Claude Bourbon in Concert, 7:00pm, Hutchinson Center for the Arts, 15 Franklin St SW, Hutchinson. Claude Bourbon is known throughout Europe and America for amazing guitar performances that take blues, Spanish, Middle Eastern, and Russian stylings into uncharted territories. Tickets and more information available at www.hutchinsonarts.org or 320-587-7278.

September 25-26 Two-Day Photography Workshop, 30667 County Road 2, Redwood Falls. Have fun with your photography and learn how to take better pictures. Taught by Molly Schweinfurter. Information at www.mojophotographyworkshops.com, cedigomo@gmail.com, or 507-828-3282.

*September 26 Jennifer Bruns Book Reading, 10:30, Marshall Lyon County Library, 201 C St, Marshall. Jennifer Bruns reads her book, Head to Toes, a love story between parent and child, illustrated with photographs of children and parents connected to Southwest Minnesota.

September 29 An Evening with Groucho, 7:00 pm, Memorial Auditorium, 714 13th St, Worthington. Friends of the Auditorium present an award-winning musical show
about the Marx brothers. Tickets and information at www.friendsoftheauditorium.com or 507-537-9101.

GALLERIES

*SMAC Art Gallery. 114 N 3rd St, Marshall. September 10 -October 30: Mary Mulenburg, photography. Reception September 10 , 5:00-7:00 pm, with live music by the Woodland Strings Quartet from 5:30-6:30 pm. Visit the gallery Monday through Friday from 8:00 am-noon and 1:00 - 4:30 pm.


Carnegie Cultural Center. 205 N Freeman, Luverne. Hours are Tues – Fri, 12 - 5 PM and Sat 1-4 PM. For more info, email cahrc@outlook.com or call 507-283-8294.

Clay Coyote Pottery. 17614 240th St, Hutchinson. Hours are Mon - Sat 10 - 5 PM; Sunday Noon - 4 PM, or, call ahead for an appointment, 320-587-2599. Check out www.claycoyote.com or email Betsy & Tom at claypot@hutchtel.net.

*Hutchinson Center for the Arts. 15 Franklin St SW, Hutchinson. Through September 4: Mary Bruno, letterpress prints. September 9 - October 15: Faces of the Past: 19th Century Crayon Portraits from the McLeod County Historical Society & Museum Permanent Collection. Reception/Presentation September 13, 2:00-4:00 pm. Gallery Hours: Mon –Thurs 10:00 am — 5:00 pm. Info at 320-587-7278 or www.hutchinsonarts.org.

*KK Berge Gallery (Granite Area Arts Council). 807 Prentice St, Granite Falls. Through September 20: Dakota Artists: “Tawokaga: Making Something Beautiful”. Gallery hours Monday – Friday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Saturday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. Info at 320-564-4240 or www.facebook.com/GraniteAreaArtsCouncil.

*Marshall Area Fine Arts Council (MAFAC). 109 N 3rd St, Marshall. Through September 18: Photography Competition. September 22-October 30: Jo Bunting, vitreous enameling (glass fused on copper). Gallery Hours: Tues - Fri 12:00-5:30 pm, Sat 11:00 am — 3:00 pm. Information at 507-532-5463 or www.mafac.net.


Minneapolis Machinery Museum. 100 N 1st St, Hanley Falls. Permanent collection of rural art. Hours: M-S 10:00 am-4:00 pm, Sunday 1:00-4:30 pm. Info at 507-768-3522 or www.mnmachinemuseum.org.

Nobles County Art Center. 407 12th St, Worthington. September: Kimberly Jansen, miniatures. Reception September 6, 2:00-4:00 pm. Hours: M-F 2:00-4:30 pm. Information at 507-372-8245 or on Facebook: Nobles County Art Center.


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


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.


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