SW MN Arts Council Gallery features Nan Karr Kaufenberg

The Southwest Minnesota Arts Council Gallery will feature the linoleum block prints of Nan Karr Kaufenberg of Redwood Falls from January 9 through February 28, 2014.

Nan Karr Kaufenberg began working with print making in 1990 while taking art classes at Southwest Minnesota State University. After experimenting with etchings, wood and linoleum block prints, linoleum block printing became her medium of choice. Kaufenberg explained that, “Linoleum works best for carving the curved lines and details that fit my drawing style and I can do my work in nearly any location with a few simple tools.”

Early on she began adding watercolor to the block prints. “The multi-step process of creating the prints is very enjoyable,” Kaufenberg continued. “Once I have the image drawn onto the linoleum block the next step is carving the image into the block. After the carving is completed, I roll oil based ink onto the block and then place the paper over the inked block and either hand rub the print with a wooden spoon or run the block and paper through my hand-cranked linoleum block print press. Each print is handmade, whether I use the press or a wooden spoon to rub the ink onto the paper. Once the ink is completely dry, I apply the watercolor to each print. An edition of prints is based on the artist’s proof; to maintain conformity.

“I enjoy simplifying scenes and images – deciding what to leave in and what to take out. The best compliment I have had on my work was at an art fair when a customer walked into my art tent and said, ‘It looks like the sun came out in here!’ She commented on the cheerful quality of my block prints. If I can bring a smile to someone’s face, that’s a bonus to me.”

Kaufenberg has art degrees from the University of Minnesota and Southwest State Minnesota University. She has received over 20 awards for her artwork at shows and art fairs in the last 22 years and is a recipient of SW MN Arts Council Individual Artist grants in 1993 and 2000. She has exhibited her work throughout Minnesota and currently resides in Redwood Falls.

The public is invited to visit the SMAC art gallery for a reception from 5:00 - 7:00 pm on Thursday, January 9, 2014. Enjoy live music during the reception (musicians to be announced). Regular Gallery hours are Monday - Friday, 8:00 am to noon and 1:00 to 4:30 pm.

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UPCOMING SMAC GRANT DEADLINES

All 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.

December 1, 2013:
Small Grants (Arts Legacy Planning, Small Arts Organization Development, Start-Up, & Small Equipment Purchase)

December 13, 2013:
Art Projects & Arts Legacy Projects, Round II
Earliest project start date: February 15, 2014

January 1, 2014:
Small Grants (Arts Legacy Planning, Small Arts Organization Development, Start-Up, & Small Equipment Purchase)

February 1, 2014:
Small Grants (Arts Legacy Planning, Small Arts Organization Development, Start-Up, & Small Equipment Purchase)

February 7, 2014:
Arts Organization Development/Equipment & Facilities Improvement
Earliest project start date: March 15, 2014

February 28, 2014:
Arts in the Schools, Round II
Earliest project start date: April 15, 2014

February 28, 2014:
Art Study Opportunity for Youth
Earliest project start date: April 15, 2014

SMAC adds application deadline for Individual Artist grants

Artists in the SW MN Arts Council region will have an additional opportunity to apply for grants this year.

An Individual Artist grant deadline has been added on March 7, 2014, with an earliest project start date of May 1, 2014. Applications will go to the grant review panel on March 29, followed by board action on April 22, 2014.

Grant funds may be used for a variety of activities that will impact the artist’s artistic development and professional career, such as:

- Purchasing supplies and materials to complete a body of work scheduled for performance, exhibition, or publication
- Research or compensated time for working on a specific body of work
- Experimental work in a new medium
- Studying one-on-one with a mentor
- Attendance at workshops or conferences for professional or artistic development
- Rental of facilities for presentation of work
- Producing a recording or video
- Marketing or editorial assistance for writers

Grants are available in the following categories and amounts:

- Developing Artists—up to $1,500
- Established Career Artists—up to $5,000
- Established Career Artists with a Legacy project involving the community —up to $7,000

Grant applications are available online now at www.swmnarts.org -- it’s never too early to start working on your application. Contact us at 507-537-1471 or info@swmnarts.org if you have questions about your project or the application.

GRANTWRITING WORKSHOPS

Check our website, www.swmnarts.org, for upcoming grantwriting workshops around the region. Learn about the requirements for your application, get your questions answered, and find out about other projects going on in the area. Contact the SMAC office (800-622-5284 or info@swmnarts.org) to register.

Southwest Minnesota Council's programs, grant awards, & workshops are made possible by the voters of Minnesota thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund, by an appropriation from the Minnesota State Legislature with money from the State’s general fund, by a grant from the McKnight Foundation, and regional contributions.
Nonprofit Finance & Sustainability Conference: February 25, 2014

Join the Minnesota Council of Nonprofits and Nonprofits Assistance Fund for the 2014 Nonprofit Finance and Sustainability Conference on Tuesday, February 25, 2014 in Brooklyn Center, MN. This third annual day-long conference will offer insights, strategies and tools for staff and board members looking at your organization’s financial sustainability from diverse perspectives – from strategy and oversight to implementation and evaluation. Join your nonprofit colleagues to learn about critical issues and best practices to help your organization remain sustainable into the future.

Keynote speaker Phil Buchanan, president of the Center for Effective Philanthropy, will discuss the unique role of the nonprofit sector and the challenge of sustaining effective organizations. He will offer advice for leaders on how to lead in a way that maximizes the chances of achieving positive outcomes for the issues, communities, people and fields nonprofits seek to influence.

Breakout sessions will include topics like “Collaborative Budgeting”, “Getting the Most Out of Your Audit or Year-End Review”, and “Nonprofit Revenue Survival in Unsettled Times.” There will also be time to talk with experts about your individual questions.

Scholarships are available. To learn more or to register for the conference, go to www.minnesotanonprofits.org.

In Memoriam: Louise Mack

2005 Prairie Disciple Louise Mack of New London passed away on Saturday, November 23, 2013. Louise was a lifelong advocate for the arts. She was active in the New London Little Theatre and the Willmar Community Theatre. She served on many of our grant review panels and was a member of the SMAC board of directors from January 2006 through March 2008. Louise was a dynamo who inspired many of us. She served as a mentor for many theatre artists. She will be greatly missed by those whose lives she touched in so many ways.

DECEMBER CALENDAR

*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.

*December 1 SMAC Grant Deadline: Arts Legacy Project Planning & Small Grants. Applications must be submitted by 4:30 pm.

December 5 Artist Reception: Fiber Arts Show, 4:00-5:30 pm, Willmar Education & Arts Center. Information at http://willmarareaarts council.org/.


December 6 Artist Reception: Gene Stukel, 7:00-9:00 pm, KK Berge Gallery, 807 Prentice Street, Granite Falls.


December 6-14 SW MN Men’s Chorus: “A King is Born”. Dec 6: 7:30 pm, St Stephen Lutheran Church, Marshall. Dec 8: 7:00 pm, United Methodist Church, Lamberton. Dec 10: 7:00 pm, Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church, Lucan. Dec 14: 7:00 pm, St Paul’s Catholic Church, Walnut Grove. Tickets: $6. Call 537-1389.
December 7 Artist Reception: “Celebrate the Season”, various artists, 11:00 am—2:00 pm, Marshall Area Fine Arts Council, 109 N 3rd St, Marshall. Info at 507-532-5463 or www.mafac.net.

December 7 Opera House Christmas Show, 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm, Lake Benton. Lake Benton Opera House performers sing their favorite Christmas songs. Visit www.lakebentonoperahouse.org, call 507-368-4620 or email lakebentonoperahouse@gmail.com for information and tickets.

December 8 Artist Reception: Annual Holiday Show & Sale, various artists, 1:00 – 4:00 pm. Nobles County Art Center, 407 12th St, Worthington. Information at 507-372-8254 or noblearts@knology.net.

December 8 “Blanche and Beyond: Letters of Tennessee Williams”, 2:00 pm, SMSU Black Box Theatre, Marshall. A one-man play performed by University of Minnesota-Morris Theatre Professor Ray Schultz. The event is free and open to the public.

*December 8 Messiah Sing with the Willmar Area Symphonic Orchestra and the West Central Singers, 3:00 pm, Willmar Education & Arts Center, 611 5th St SW, Willmar. Information at www.willmarorchestra.com.

*December 8 Crow River Area Youth Orchestra Concert, 4:00 pm, Hutchinson High School Auditorium. Includes performances by the CRAYO symphony, Varsity Strings, and Intro to Strings programs.


*December 13 SMAC Grant Deadline: Art Projects & Arts Legacy Projects. Applications must be submitted by 4:30 pm.

December 19 The Boston Brass Holiday Performance, 7:30 pm, Memorial Auditorium Performing Arts Center, 714 13th St, Worthington. Purchase tickets Monday - Friday, 9am-1pm: 507-376-9101.

December 24 SMAC Office Closed
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December 31 Divas Through The Decades, 7:30 pm, Memorial Auditorium Performing Arts Center, 714 13th St, Worthington. Purchase tickets Monday-Friday, 9am-1pm: 507-376-9101.

JANUARY CALENDAR

*January 1 SMAC Grant Deadline: Arts Legacy Project Planning & Small Grants. Applications must be submitted by 4:30 pm.

January 1 SMAC Office Closed.

*January 9 Artist Reception: Nan Karr Kaufenberg, 5:00-7:00 pm, SW MN Arts Council Gallery, 114 N 3rd St, Marshall. Live music.

January 10 Pop Wagner with Bob Bovee, 7:30 pm, Nobles County Art Center, 407 12th St, Worthington. Information at 507-372-8254 or noblearts@knology.net.


*January 11 Paper Moon Shiners, 7:30 pm, Carson Meeting House, 49521 Cty Rd. 3, Delft. Part of the Prairie Wind Folk Music & Bluegrass Association’s concert series. For more information, go to www.mnriver.com/ windfolk.html or contact Bruce Boldt at (507) 831-3560 or bboldt@ mindspring.com.

January 17 Minneapolis Guitar Quartet with Flamenco Dancer Colette Illarde, 7:30 pm, Willmar Education and Arts Center. The next day (Jan 18), they will present a guitar masterclass from 10:00am -12:00pm and a flamenco dance class from 1:00-2:00pm. Information at http://willmarareaarts council.org/.

January 24 Dick Kimmel: “Ambassador of Bluegrass”, 7:30 pm, Nobles County Art Center, 407 12th St, Worthington. Information at 507-372-8254 or noblearts@knology.net.

*January 25 St Anthony Brass Quintet, 7:30 pm, Memorial Auditorium, 601 9th St, Dawson. Dawson-Boyd Arts Association presents a concert by the St Anthony Brass Quintet with local students and community brass players. Information at http://dawsonboydart s.org/.

*January 28 SMAC Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, SMAC Office 114 N 3rd St, Marshall.

January 31 A Modern Tribute to ABBA, 7:00 pm, Schwan Community Center for the Performing Arts (MHS), Marshall. Presented by Ameriprise Financial (Van der Hagen, Skogrand & Assoc). Tickets are $20 and are available at Marshall Area Fine Arts Council; Van der Hagen, Skogrand, & Associates; HyVee; and County Fair. Information at www.mafac.net or 507-532-5463.
GALLERIES

*SMAC Art Gallery. 114 N 3rd St, Marshall. November 12 -
December 20: Bonnie Van Moorlehem. January 9 -
February 28: Nan Karr Kaufenberg. Visit the gallery
Monday through Friday from 8:00 am-noon and 1:00 -
4:30 pm.

ARTmeyerson. 105 4th St N, Atwater. To schedule an
appointment, call Sue Meyerson at 320-220-0970 or 320-
974-3609.

*Barn Theatre Art Gallery. 321 4th St SW, Willmar.
November 23 - December 20: "Happy Holidays." Gallery
Hours: Monday through Friday, 9 AM to 4 PM. For more
info, call 320-235-9500 or email
info@thebarntheater.com.

Big Stone Arts Council Gallery. 42 NW 2nd St, Ortonville.
Gallery Hours: Tues-Fri 11:00am -4:00pm. Info at 320-487-
1001 or http://bigstonearts.wordpress.com/.

Carnegie Cultural Center. 205 N Freeman,
Luverne. November 22- December 31: Christmas Trees at
the Carnegie. January: Blue Mound Quilters. 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. 28 N Main St,
Hutchinson. Gallery Hours: Tuesday-Friday 11:00 am-6:00

Java River Café. 210 S 1st St, Montevideo. More
information at 320-269-7106.

KK Berge Gallery. 807 Prentice Street, Granite Falls.
December: Gene Stukel, landscape photography.
Reception December 6, 7:00-9:00 pm. Gallery hours
Monday – Friday: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm, Saturday 10:00 am
- 3:00 pm. Call 320-564-4039 for information.

*Marshall Area Fine Arts Council (MAFAC). 109 N 3rd St,
Season”, various artists. Reception December 7, 11:00
am –2:00 pm. December 31-January 24: Brad Hall. Gallery
Hours: Tues - Fri Noon - 5:30 PM. Other times by appt.
Info at 507-532-5463 or www.mafac.net.

Marshall - Lyon County Library. 201 C St, Marshall.
November 20 - January 13: Robert Dorlac: "Landscapes of
Iceland." Hours: Mon-Thurs 9:30 am - 7:30 pm, Fri 9:30
am - 5:30 pm, Sat 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. Information at

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

Nobles County Art Center. 407 12th St, Worthington.
December: Annual Holiday Show & Sale. Reception
December 8, 1:00-4:00 pm. January: Permanent
collection. Hours: M-F 2:00-4:30 pm. Call 507-372-8245
for more information.

Potato Eaters Gallery. 330 Litchfield Ave SW, Willmar. Call
320-382-9951 for hours and information.

Robert Remick Gallery/Cottonwood County Historical
Society. 812 Fourth Avenue, Windom. Gallery Hours: Mon
- Fri 8 - 4 PM & Sat 10 - 4 PM. For more info, call 507-831-
1134 or email chs@windomnet.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 291 at
Southwest Minnesota State University, Marshall. Call 507-
537-6266 for hours and information.

*Willmar Education and Arts Center (WEAC). 611 5th St
Info at 320-235-8560 or willmarareaarts council.org.

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