The Southwest Minnesota Arts Council is pleased to announce John Voit of Ghent as the recipient of the 2014 Prairie Disciple Award, which acknowledges a person – this year, an arts educator – who has been instrumental in promoting the arts in the 18-county area of southwestern Minnesota.

Nominated by Ross Anderson of Marshall, Voit is the instrumental music instructor for Minneota schools, the director of the Route 68 Big Band, and a performer and volunteer with multiple area community theaters and bands. Anderson says, “John has always displayed a wonderful ability (and patience!) to work with performers and musicians of all levels.”

“John has impacted audiences and musicians from Lake Benton to Tracy, Minneota, Canby, and Marshall. All of these communities benefit from his willingness to share his passion for music and theater,” says Dawn Van Keulen of Minneota, who plays under Voit’s direction in the Route 68 Big Band.

When asked about how he became interested in music, Voit, who grew up in Mahnomen, MN, said that he followed his older sisters into band, and also received encouragement from his parents, high school band director, Vern Kuhn, and high school choir director, Jane Ballard.

Voit went on to earn degrees in Music Education and Elementary Education from the University of Minnesota, Morris. He has since spent 23 years as the instrumental music instructor for Minneota schools, grades 5 through 12, including being the orchestra director/co-artistic director for the yearly musical.

Vaughn Gehle of Marshall, who has played with Voit in area small groups and bands, as well as for Voit in the orchestra for Minneota High School musicals, says, “John possesses immense reserves of the most important trait for teaching: patience. His calm and unflustered demeanor remains, even during the final chaotic rehearsals leading to the inevitably successful opening performances. John is a great role model for the students participating in music and musical theatre; his love of music is obvious on his face during every performance.”

“Through his instruction at Minneota, John has turned out many fine performers over the years, many of whom have played lead roles in our productions,” says Mark Wilmes of Tyler, president and artistic director of the Lake Benton Opera House. “His students who have participated in our productions are always among the best prepared individuals involved. I see an excitement for musical theater that is refreshing in the young people I’ve directed who have benefited from his tutelage.”

Voit says he always encourages his students to be well rounded in their education and activities. “I tell them that graduation does not mean that they have to stop being involved with the arts. I encourage them to keep playing,” Voit says.

2014 Prairie Disciple: John Voit of Ghent

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Grant Programs for Fiscal Year 2015

The SW MN Arts Council’s calendar of grant programs for fiscal year 2015 (July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015) is now available (at right).

Guidelines and applications are beginning to be posted on our website, www.swmnarts.org. In the meantime, here are some of the changes that have been made for this year:

- Art Legacy Project grants will have a separate application from Art Project Grants.
- The organization match required for Art Legacy Project Planning grants has gone from 10% to 20%.
- The Small Equipment Purchase and Small Development grant programs for arts organizations have been discontinued. Apply under one of the following programs.
- Arts Organization Development grants will have a separate application and deadlines from Equipment & Facilities Improvement grants.
- Arts Organization Development grants now have a monthly deadline (August-April).
- There are two deadlines for Equipment/Facilities Improvement grants (up to $5,000), and a separate deadline and application for Art Legacy Equipment/Facilities Improvement grants (up to $15,000).
- The Operating Support grant program is still under revision, with input from previous applicants.
- A tentative second round of Individual Artist grants is scheduled, but will only take place if funds remain after the first round.
- Individual Artist Grants for Developing Artists and Individual Artist Grants for Career Level Artists & Legacy grants will have separate applications.
- Students eligible for free or reduced school lunch may apply for regular ongoing arts lessons in the Art Study Opportunity for Youth grant program.
- Arts in the Schools grants: funding amounts have been increased to $4,000 for artist residencies and from $1,000 to $2,000 for field trips.
- The Arts in the Schools 4 hours of contact time between an artist and a core group of students is strongly encouraged but no longer required.

GRANTWRITING WORKSHOPS. Plan on attending one of the following 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 for these free workshops. Go to www.swmnarts.org for venues.

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**Grants for Arts Organizations:**

**Art Project & Art Legacy Project Grants (separate applications):** up to $20,000 in funding with 20% cash match required
- Round I deadline: August 1, 2014 (earliest start date: Sept 15, 2014)
- Round II deadline: December 15, 2014 (earliest start date: Feb. 15, 2015)
- Round III deadline: March 20, 2015 (earliest start date: May 15, 2015)

**Art Legacy Project Planning Grants:** up to $2000 with 20% cash match required
- Monthly deadlines: 1st of each month, 4:30 pm; August through November 2014 and January through April 2015

**Arts Organization Development Grants:** up to $5,000 in funding with 20% cash match required
- Monthly deadlines: 1st of each month, 4:30 pm; August through November 2014 and January through April 2015

**Start Up Grants:** up to $2,000 in funding with no match required
- Monthly deadlines: 1st of each month, 4:30 pm; August 2014 through April 2015

**Equipment/Facilities Improvement Grants:** up to $5,000 in funding with 20% cash match required
- Round I deadline: August 1, 2014 (earliest start date: September 15, 2014)
- Round II deadline: February 2, 2015 (earliest start date: March 15, 2015)

**Art Legacy Equipment/Facilities Improvement Grants:** up to $15,000 in funding with 20% cash match required
- Deadline: October 29, 2014 (earliest start date: December 15, 2014)

**Arts Organization Operating Support Grants:**
- Deadline: October 1, 2014 (Grants go into effect December 1, 2014)

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**Grants for Artists:**

**Individual Artist - Developing Artist Grants:** up to $1,500 in funding
- Round I Deadline: September 19, 2014 (earliest start date: November 15, 2014)
- Round II Deadline (*Tentative: only if monies available*): February 25, 2015 (earliest start date: April 15, 2015)

**Individual Artist - Established Career Artist Grants:** up to $5,000 in funding
- Round I Deadline: September 19, 2014 (earliest start date: November 15, 2014)
- Round II Deadline (*Tentative: only if monies available*): February 25, 2015 (earliest start date: April 15, 2015)

**Individual Artist - Established Career Artist Grants with a Legacy-level project:** up to $7,000 in funding
- Round I Deadline: September 19, 2014 (earliest start date: November 15, 2014)
- Round II Deadline (*Tentative: only if monies available*): February 25, 2015 (earliest start date: April 15, 2015)

**Art Study Opportunity for Youth Grants:** up to $500 in funding
- Deadline: April 10, 2015 (earliest start date: May 15, 2015)

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**Grants for Schools:**

**Arts in the Schools Grant:** up to $4,000 in funding ($2,000 for field trips) with NO cash match required
- Round I deadline: October 15, 2014 (earliest start date: December 15, 2014)
- Round II deadline: January 15, 2015 (earliest start date: March 15, 2015)

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**Special Awards:**

**2015 Prairie Disciple:** $500 honorarium
- Nomination deadline: April 15, 2015
SMAC gallery features the work of Curtis Gander of Hutchinson

Curtis Gander of Hutchinson’s oil paintings of regional landmarks will be on exhibit at the SMAC Gallery from July 10 through August 29, 2014.

Gander says of his work, “My oil paintings are executed in a representational style that is generally loose and ‘painterly’. This style is enjoyable for me to execute, and I feel it creates an energy and dynamic that engages the viewer. Many of my studio pieces have the spontaneous feel of the plein air method; others are a bit more refined. My recent work has been focused on local urban landscapes and scenes with which the viewers may identify.”

This developing passion for representational oil painting led Gander to a SMAC grant that culminated in a solo exhibit, “A Hutchinson Perspective”. The show was well received in his home town of Hutchinson.

“My goal is to create emotive pieces through subject, composition, and painting style,” says Gander. “I enjoy painting twilight or nocturnal pieces for the challenge of values, subtlety of color, and the natural mood they evoke. I have noticed many of my compositions are straight-on views that create a greater impact and graphical quality. I like to paint my urban objects in the environmental context in which they are found, with limited editing of surroundings, where honesty trumps idealism.”

Gander has been creating works of art since childhood and feels that God gifted him with that innate ability and the sensibilities that accompany it. He also recognizes this talent needs to be cultivated through study and practice; that it is a continually growing and evolving experience. Fine Art was one of his majors at Gustavus Adolphus College, where he furthered his skills and appreciation for the variety of artistic styles and applications. He has recently taken on the challenge of plein air painting and is a current member of the Outdoor Painters of Minnesota. Gander continues to study both the past masters and contemporary painters and their methods.

The public is invited to meet the artist at the SMAC Gallery during a reception from 5:00 - 7:00 pm on Thursday, July 10, 2014. Enjoy live music by guitarist Brannon McCain from 5:30 to 6:30 pm. Regular gallery hours are Monday - Friday, 8:00 am to noon and 1:00 - 4:30 pm.

Brannon McCain to perform at SMAC Gallery

Come hear guitarist Brannon McCain of Marshall perform at the SMAC Gallery in Marshall on Thursday, July 10, from 5:30 to 6:30 pm, during Curtis Gander’s exhibit opening.
Prairie Disciple John Voit, continued

performing, attending events, helping any way that they can. I also tell them that when they become parents that they need to encourage their children to be involved with the arts also.”

Anderson believes that, along with Voit’s work with Minneota students, his role as director of the Route 68 Big Band has made an impact on the arts in the region. “This band is important because it allows individuals no longer in school to continue playing the music that they love. Decades ago, there were numerous so-called ‘territorial’ jazz/dance bands. They are gone. The Route 68 band does a great job filling that void. In order to continue to do so, it requires a dedicated individual like John to lead it.”

Van Keulen agrees that Voit is “the glue that holds this group together. He puts in countless hours organizing gigs and subs, choosing set lists, communicating with the band members, loading and unloading equipment, setting up stages, and of course directing the group. His enthusiasm for music comes through as he leads us and encourages us to learn and grow musically.”

In addition to his teaching and directing the Route 68 Big Band, Voit has performed with and volunteered for the Lake Benton Opera House, the Marshall Area Stage Company, the Southwest Minnesota Orchestra, the SMSU Community Band, the Marshall Municipal Band, and the Chancel Choir at First Lutheran Church in Marshall.

“There are so many ways that a person can become involved with the arts,” Voit says. “There’s more to it than the actors on stage, or the musicians in the pit. There are so many behind the scenes needs. Another way to get involved is to simply attend various productions and concerts.”

Voit’s family includes his wife Stacey, his daughter Elizabeth (12), and son Joseph (8). They also have two cats, Mr. Munchkins and Hulk (Voit and his wife deny any responsibility for the cats’ names).

In addition to his family, Voit is grateful for “friendships that would not be there now if I had not gotten involved with the arts. Yes, it is rewarding to perform in front of a crowd, but friendships created during those performances last much longer.”

Please join the Southwest Minnesota Arts Council board of directors, staff, members, and volunteers in honoring John Voit for his contribution to the arts in southwestern Minnesota. The award will be officially presented to Voit at the SW MN Arts Council Annual Celebration on September 13, at the Marshall Golf Club, Marshall, MN.

Go to www.swmnarts.org for an area arts calendar, opportunities for artists and organizations, grant applications, and other regional arts news!

In Memoriam: Laura Welle

Laura Welle of Willmar died of cancer on May 21, 2014. An artist and retired art teacher (Willmar Schools and University of Minnesota Morris), Welle, helped found the Willmar Area Arts Council and served on its board of directors. She also served on the board of Citizens for the Arts and participated in Celebrate Art Celebrate Coffee, Studio Hop, and other art shows. Welle designed the Willmar City flag and the logo for the Willmar Design Center. In addition, she was an artist in the Kaleidoscope art cooperative in New London for the past two years.
Arts Midwest Conference September 17-20 in Minneapolis

Arts Midwest’s annual conference will be held at the Minneapolis Convention Center Wednesday, September 17 through Saturday, September 20, 2014. SMAC-region attendees may apply for a SMAC Arts Organization Development Grant (August 1 deadline) to attend the conference.

Arts Midwest describes the conference as “the preeminent booking and educational conference for the Midwest performing arts industry. Attended by nearly 1,000 performing artists, managers, and agents; performing arts presenters/venues; and arts administrators from throughout the United States and beyond, the four-day conference is filled with opportunities to network, learn, and experience live performing arts.

“Access some of the best performing artists in the nation in our high-energy Marketplace, where the business of booking happens. Much of what Midwest audiences will see on stages in the 2015—2016 performing arts season will be discussed in the 2014 Marketplace.

“Presenting organizations — those who book artists to perform at their venue(s) — will have multiple opportunities to discover performing artists from all disciplines. The conference offers networking and business opportunities for organizations of all sizes – including volunteer operations and major performing arts centers.

“Discover innovative ideas, leadership development, and skill-building opportunities at our professional development sessions. We offer something for all attendees, whether you’re interested in the details of the industry or in big-picture questions about our evolving performing arts field.”

Register by July 10 and get the early bird rate of $395 for the first registrant from your organization and $315 for each additional registrant. From July 11 through September 3, rates will be $455 for first registrant and $370 for additional registrants. Go to www.artsmidwest.org to learn more and to register.

SAVE THE DATE

SW MN Arts Council Annual Celebration

Saturday, September 13, 2014
Marshall Golf Club

Dinner
Arts Performances
Presentation of Prairie Star & Prairie Disciple Awards
Regional Showcase Raffle
. . . details coming soon!
**JULY CALENDAR**

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**July 1 Wendinger Band**, 7:00 pm, Riverview Park, Appleton. Part of the Appleton '52 Wing Restoration Committee summer concert series.

**July 2 Popular Demand** (Women’s Quartet), 5:00 pm, Central Park, Cottonwood. Part of Cottonwood’s Central Park Market. Information at www.facebook.com/CentralParkMarketinCottonwood.

**July 2-3 "Shakespeare Goes to Gravel Gulch",** 7:00 pm, New Century Charter School, Hutchinson. Performed by Hutchinson Theatre Company’s Young Stars program.

**July 4 SW MN Arts Council Office Closed.**

**July 6 Artist Reception: Sharon Sadusky,** 2:00-4:00 pm, Nobles County Art Center, 407 12th St, Worthington.

**July 7 Gloria Jean,** 7:00 pm, Central Park, Canby. Part of Canby Arts Council’s Music on Mondays. Grilled hamburgers from Jim’s Market will be served ($6 per meal) starting at 6:00 pm. Bad weather site: Canby Community Center (City Hall). Canby Arts Council’s Music on Mondays is sponsored by the City of Canby. For more information, contact Ruth Ascher, Canby Arts Council Member, at 507-223-7043 or srascher@frontiernet.net.

**July 7-9 SMAC Grant Workshop: Arts/Legacy Projects, Equipment & Facilities Improvement, & Legacy Project Planning,** 5:30-7:00 pm. July 7 Hutchinson, venue TBD; July 8, Marshall, SMAC Office; July 9 Worthington, venue TBD. Contact SMAC to register.

**July 9 Jerry Ostensoe,** 5:00 pm, C.W. Reishus Park (The Beach Park), Cottonwood. Part of Cottonwood’s Central Park Market. Information at www.facebook.com/CentralParkMarketinCottonwood. Central Park Market will be held temporarily at C.W. Reishus Park (The Beach Park) until Central Park becomes less muddy. Check the Market’s Facebook Page for future changes in location.

**July 10 Blue Ox Jazz Band,** 7:00 pm, Riverview Park, Appleton. Part of the Appleton ’52 Wing Restoration Committee summer concert series.

**July 10 SMAC Artist Reception: Curtis Gander,** 5:00-7:00 pm, SW MN Arts Council Gallery, 114 N 3rd St, Marshall. Performance by guitarist Brannon McCain from 5:30-6:30 pm.

**July 10 Artist Reception: Melanie Gabbert-Gachell & Tim Peterson,** 7:00-9:00 pm, KK Berge Gallery. 807 Prentice Street, Granite Falls.

**July 11 Justin Shander: The Ultimate Elvis Experience,** 7:30 pm, Memorial Auditorium, 714 13th St, Worthington. Information at www.friendsoftheauditorium.com or 507-376-9101.

**July 11-12 Worthington International Festival,** Nobles County Government Center, Worthington. Friday 5:00-9:00 pm, Saturday 11:00 am – 9:00 pm. The Festival includes culturally diverse performers, food, artisans children’s activities, and local talent showcase. More info at www.worthingtoninternationalfestival.org.

**July 11-12 Rhythm of the River,** Ashley Park, Jackson. Friday 6:00 pm–12:00 am, Saturday 12:00 pm–12:00 am. Visit the music festival’s website for the schedule of performers. There is also a songwriting workshop with Charlie Roth on Saturday afternoon. Information at http://rhythmoftheriver.org/.

**July 12 Walnut Grove Arts & Music Festival,** 11:00 am-6:00 pm, City Park, Walnut Grove.

**July 12 Daryl & Diane Stevenett,** 8:00 pm, Pipestone Performing Arts Center, 104 E Main St, Pipestone. Chris Shaffer of WCCO will be hosting a special night of music in honor of his grandmother and long time Pipestone resident, Gloria Shaffer. The Stevenettes are a brother and sister musical team of a fingerstyle guitarist and a lyric soprano. General Admission at the door: Adults $10 / Students $5. Info at www.pipestoneminnesota.com/performingartscenter/

**July 13 South Dakota Old Time Fiddlers,** 3:00 pm, Pipestone Performing Arts Center, 104 E Main St, Pipestone. General Admission: Adults $10, Students $5, and a family ticket for $25 (children 18 and under). Lobby opens at 1 pm for tickets. Information at box office: 825-2020 or 877-722-2787.


**July 14 Spotlight on Area Talent,** 7:00 pm, Central Park, Canby. Part of Canby Arts Council’s Music on Mondays. Grilled hamburgers from Jim’s Market will be served ($6 per meal) starting at 6:00 pm. Bad weather site: Canby Community Center (City Hall). Canby Arts Council’s Music on Mondays is sponsored by the City of Canby. For more info, contact Ruth Ascherat 507-223-7043 or srascher@frontiernet.net.
*July 16 Larry Olson Band, 5:00 pm, C.W. Reishus Park (The Beach Park), Cottonwood. Part of Cottonwood’s Central Park Market. Information at www.facebook.com/CentralParkMarketcottonwood. Central Park Market will be held temporarily at C.W. Reishus Park (The Beach Park) until Central Park becomes less muddy. Check the Market’s Facebook Page for future changes in location.

*July 18-19 RiverSong Music Festival, Masonic West River Park, Hutchinson. Friday 5:00-11:00 pm, Saturday 11:00 am – 5:00 pm. Schedule of performers and more information at www.riversongfestival.org.

*July 19 Walnut Grove Arts & Music Festival, 11:00 am-6:00 pm, City Park, Walnut Grove.

July 19 Charlie Roth & Buffalo Rose, 8:00 pm-12:00am, Gary American Legion, Gary, SD. Canby Theater fundraising concert/dance.

*July 22 SMAC Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, SMAC Office, 114 N 3rd St, Marshall.

*July 23 Quarter to 4:30, 5:00 pm, C.W. Reishus Park (The Beach Park), Cottonwood. Part of Cottonwood’s Central Park Market. Information at www.facebook.com/CentralParkMarketcottonwood. Central Park Market will be held temporarily at C.W. Reishus Park (The Beach Park) until Central Park becomes less muddy. Check the Market’s Facebook Page for future changes in location.

July 23 Mankato Community Band, 7:00 pm, Liberty Park, Marshall. Whopper Feed ($6) prior to the concert. Part of the Marshall Area Fine Arts Council’s A Little Night Music free summer concert series.


July 25 & 26 Weekend Photography Workshop with Molly Schweinfurter, 30667 County Road 2, Redwood Falls. For photographers of all skill levels to develop your photographer’s eye and improve your composition skills. Friday: 7:00-8:00 pm at Molly’s home studio. Saturday: 8:00 am - 3:00 pm shooting on location in the MN River Valley and the city of Redwood Falls. Contact Molly at cedigomo@gmail.com or 507-828-3282.

*July 25-27 ”The Merry Wives of Windsor”, Lac qui Parle Valley High School Theater, Madison. July 25 & 26 at 7:00 pm, July 27 at 2:00 pm.

*July 26 Walnut Grove Arts & Music Festival, 11:00 am-6:00 pm, City Park, Walnut Grove.

*July 26-27 Minnesota Pottery Festival, The Clay Coyote, 17614 240th St, Hutchinson. July 26 1:00 am – 5:00 pm, July 27 11:00 am – 6:00 pm. Featuring over 20 potters from all over the US, the 3rd annual festival includes demonstrations, Potter’s Olympics, a kids tent, food, and 1000s of pots to choose from. Information at www.mnpotteryfestival.com.

July 26 *The Looney Lutherans*, 8:00 pm, Pipestone Performing Arts Center, 104 E Main St, Pipestone. Comedy trio with music. Information at www.pipestoneminnesotacom/performingartscenter/

*July 27 Lac qui Parle River Stories Map, 2:00 pm, Dawson River Park, Dawson. River map created by artist Susan Armitage will be unveiled.

*July 28-30 SMAC Grant Workshop: Individual Artists, 5:30-7:00 pm. July 28 New London, venue TBD; July 29, Marshall, SMAC Office; July 30 Luverne, venue TBD. Contact SMAC to register.

*July 30 Prairie Arts Chorale & Sing Along with Ellen, 5:00 pm, C.W. Reishus Park (The Beach Park), Cottonwood. Part of Cottonwood’s Central Park Market. Information at www.facebook.com/CentralParkMarketcottonwood. Check the Market’s Facebook Page for future changes in location.

July 30 Prairie Ars Chorale, 7:00 pm, Liberty Park, Marshall. Part of the Marshall Area Fine Arts Council’s A Little Night Music free summer concert series.

July 31-August 3 "Footloose!", Prairie Arts Center, Madison. July 31, Aug 1, 2 at 7:00 pm, Aug 3 at 2:00 pm. Production by the Lac qui Parle Players.

GALLERIES

*SMAC Art Gallery. 114 N 3rd St, Marshall. July 10-August 29: Curtis Gander. Reception July 10, 5:00-7:00 pm, with live music by guitarist Brannon McCain. 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.

**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. July: Bobbie Alsgaard-Lien, paintings. 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. Gallery Hours: Mon –Thurs 10:00 am—5:00 pm. Info at 320-587-7278 or www.hutchinsonarts.org.

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

**KK Berge Gallery.** 807 Prentice Street, Granite Falls. July: Melanie Gabbert-Gachell & Tim Peterson, “Intersection”, photography and taxidermy. Reception July 10, 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, Marshall. Gallery Hours: Tues - Fri Noon - 5:30 PM. Other times by appt. 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 www.milanvillageartsschool.org.

**Minnesota Machinery Museum,** 100 N 1st St, Hanley Falls. 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.mnmachinerymuseum.org.

**Nobles County Art Center.** 407 12th St, Worthington. July: Sharon Sadowsky, encaustic paintings. Reception: July 6, 2:00-4:00 pm. 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. May 4-August 30: Kim Horkey, “Earth & Sky”, photography. Gallery Hours: Mon - Fri 8 - 4 PM & Sat 10 - 4 PM. For more info, call 507-831-1134 or email cchs@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 SW, Willmar. July 1-August 10: Works by the late Eunice Spicer Latham. Info at 320-235-8560 or willmarareaarts council.org.

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