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Charles Gilbert Kapsner
'Collaborations IV' (Part 1) 11th Anniversary Salon

Artist Reception & Gala
Friday, October 11th, from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Great River Arts
The Crossing Arts Alliance Announces Newest Exhibition, 'Purgatory', By Artist Jane Ryan

Now on Display until October 26, 2019

This exhibition features a selection of drawings from Jane Ryan's series 'Purgatory'. Originating in western Europe at the end of the 12th century, Purgatory was thought to be a place where souls endured a state of temporary suffering and transformation through fire before moving on. While exploring the idea of two souls having common interactions through their occupations and life experiences, Jane questioned if they ever find each other in the end. The souls illustrated in her work are loosely based on two real people, who find themselves in this particular place due to their own tragic actions. Alluding to them through their choice of occupation and passions, they have been able to take an instrument of their craft with them, though they don't actively use it; it is as if this source of lively-hood has now become a shared burden, perhaps a condition of suffering, being unable to use that which had given them such pleasure in life. When these ideas came together with the imagery throughout the artwork, Jane wanted something different than fiery scenes of suffering and destruction. She decided that only items found in her garage could be used to make up the landscape in these interesting and detailed pieces that are Purgatory.

Free will offering at the door. Light refreshments will be served. Enjoy mingling with fellow artists and arts enthusiasts.
Turntable Talk: Sheila Dickinson & Susan Smith Grier

Saturday, October 12th, 2019
3:00 PM-5:00 PM

Schedule of Events:
3:00 PM | Dialogue at Turntable Installation
Boiler Shop/ NP Rail Yard | 1330 NP Road
4:30 PM | Sullivan & Co. Dance Performance
Roundhouse Brewery | 1551 Northern Pacific Road

Don't miss the first Turntable Dock Installation in the Boiler Shop/Process Space for a lively art dialogue discussing public art, locational identity, and the duo Pivotal Turntable Tactics installations. The talk will be accompanied by a sound composition by Eric Anthony Frye, and an interpretive dance performance by Sullivan & Co. Guests are invited to visit the RoundHouse Wedge Installation at the Blacksmith Circle. Please join us afterwards at RoundHouse Brewery for a Special Ltd. Ed. Turntable Ale brewed on the occasion of the exhibition.

Moving Words: Writers Across Minnesota

Monday, October 14, 2019 at 12 PM - 1:30 PM
Brainerd Public Library
416 South 5th Street | FREE Event

Enjoy a lively discussion with four multi-genre, Minnesota Book Award-winning authors: Ed Bok Lee, Margi Preus, Andrea Swensson, and Diane Wilson. Moving Words is an opportunity for writers and readers to explore various themes together: the impact of literature in their lives, their connection as fellow Minnesotans, and the lens through which we read.

Lakes Area Writers Alliance
Annual Book Fair and Conference

Saturday, October 26th, 2019
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM | Tickets $25
Rumbly Hall, 707 Laurel Street, Brainerd

The Lakes Area Writers Alliance (formerly Brainerd Writers Alliance) is a nonprofit organization comprised of published and unpublished writers at every skill level, who write in a variety of genres. Evolving over the past three decades from a small writers club to the Brainerd Lakes Area's hub for writers in any aspect of their journey.

Everyone is invited to the LAWA annual Book Fair & Conference. Spend the day with the Lake's area up and coming authors that are offering their expertise and advice on a variety of writing fields and opportunities. Tickets include a buffet lunch with snacks and refreshments throughout the day. Visit the LAWA website HERE to view the agenda and to purchase tickets.

Featuring local authors and writers including:

Nicole Borg - From Point A to Point B: A Roadmap to Performing Your Poetry
Becky Flansburg - FREElance FREEdom: Using Your Love of Writing as a Side Hustle
Angela Weichmann - More Than Words: Editing Secrets for Better Dialogue
Joe Prosit - From 1st Draft to Published: Short Stories 101
Carissa Andrews - The Author Revolution: Publish Your Novel in Under a Year

Fall Dinner Theater at Great River Arts

JOHN BISHOP’S THE MUSICAL COMEDY MURDERS OF 1940, A NON-MUSICAL FARCE, DIRECTED BY MICKEY MORSTAD

Opening Night October 17th
Doors Open at 5:00 PM
122 1st Street SE
Little Falls, MN 56345

The creative team responsible for a recent Broadway flop (in which three chorus girls were murdered by the mysterious "Stage Door Slasher") assemble for a backer's audition of their new show at the Westchester estate of a wealthy financier. The house is replete with sliding panels, secret passageways, and a German maid who is apparently four different people—all of which figure diabolically in the comic mayhem which follows when the infamous "Slasher" makes their reappearance and strikes
again—and again. As the composer, lyricist, actors, and director prepare their performance, and a blizzard cuts off any possible retreat, bodies start to drop in plain sight, knives spring out of nowhere, masked figures drag their victims behind swiveling bookcases, and accusing fingers point in all directions. The remaining survivors must solve the mystery before time runs out—but not before the audience has been treated to a side-splitting good time and a generous serving of the author's biting satire and refreshingly irreverent wit.

**PERFORMANCE DATES EVENING PERFORMANCES: OCTOBER 17 (OPENING NIGHT), 18, 19, 24, 25, 26.**

For tickets and additional information visit the GRA website [here](https://www.gra.org).

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**The Legacy Chorale of Greater Minnesota Presents: At the Hop! 17th Annual Fundraiser**

**Nov 1st, 2019**  
**6:00pm**  
**Cragun's Resort on Gull Lake @ The Sports Centre**

Hop on over to Cragun's Resort and Hotel on Gull Lake to celebrate the music and dance traditions of the 1950's at the 17th annual gala fundraiser on November 1st, 2019! Singers, dancers and a Rock 'n' Roll band will take you back to the fabulous music of this remarkable era! This jam packed night will include Dinner at The Diner, featuring Irma's Pot Roast (gluten free) and apple crisp, shopping at the silent auction and don't forget those dancin' shoes to get your jitterbug groove on out on the dance floor! Want to dress for the occasion? Go ahead! Everyone is invited to wear fabulous 50's fashions! If you thought last year's show was fun, then you're in for a real treat "AT THE HOP!"

$59.95 per person * General Seating | Group seating available (Tables of 6)  
Tickets Available Online at [legacychorale.org/tickets](https://legacychorale.org/tickets)
DO YOU HAVE A NEWSLETTER IDEA?
Are you an artist or an arts organization that is interested in being featured in the FWAC monthly newsletter? Contact Vicki at vicki.fwac@arvig.net for more information.

ADDITIONAL ARTS OPPORTUNITIES

Applications Now Open! 2020 McKnight Fellowships for Fiber Artists

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP, ELIGIBILITY, AND APPLY

Fiber art is thriving in Minnesota, and the field's growth has been validated by 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 is now open, and will close Friday, November 8, 2019 at 5 PM CST. The selection of the first two McKnight Fiber Art Fellows will be announced at the end of 2019, with the fellowship dates running January 1, 2020 - December 31, 2020.

In addition to the cash award in support of their studio work and practice, McKnight Fiber Art Fellows will participate in an exhibition at Textile Center, studio visits, critiques, and public discussions with nationally renowned critics and curators. Fellows will also receive professional development support and access to Textile Center's staff expertise and networks, retail shop, state-of-the-art dye lab, and library of more than 30,500 books and periodicals.

Do YOU Want to Make Public Art?
FORECAST has Artist Support Grants Available. The 2020 grant applications will be open until August 12, 2019. The application deadline is October 16, 2019 with a grand-funded period of: January 1 - November 30, 2020. Click here for information on the grants available and to find additional resources.

Apply For a Bush Fellowship-
Applications are open until October 24 at noon Central

The Bush Fellowship is a flexible grant of up to $100,000 intended to help you strengthen and develop your leadership. It gives you the resources and time you need to reflect, build your leadership skills and learn new ways to make a positive impact. As a Fellow, you define your own vision and create a unique Fellowship plan to learn the skills and build the relationships that will help you make your vision a reality. We encourage you to think bigger and differently about what is possible for yourself and your communities. Visit the Bush Foundation website HERE to learn more and to apply.
The Minnesota Theater Alliance Presents: Tending Our Performing Arts Gardens

REGISTER HERE

The Minnesota Theater Alliance is offering a series of one-day, capacity-building workshops and conversations for organizations and individuals in Minnesota's performing arts community.

Performing arts organizations - including the artists, administrators, board members, and volunteers - must be tended in order to thrive, build capacity, and take care of the holistic well-being of the people involved. Please join the Minnesota Theater Alliance and a dynamic group of presenters for useful workshops and conversations around the themes of establishing strong roots for capacity building and positive community impact. (Hence the catchy garden metaphor...!)

We'll dig into some of the essential elements that help our organizations, people, and communities flourish. Each workshop will have a unique group of presenters and will include a wide range of topics, such as marketing, fundraising, audience services, stage management, human resources, health, safety, wellness, and equity. Time will be available for conversations about topics you bring forward, or to connect with others in your areas of interest. Lunch is included.

These workshops will take place in five locations across Minnesota. Because the content will vary slightly in each location, you are welcome to attend as many as you would like. Consider exploring some new parts of Minnesota, and meeting the local performing arts movers and shakers in those areas!

SESSIONS

- October 19, 2019 - 9:00am - 5:00pm
  Walker Bay Theater, Walker

- November 2, 2019 - 9:00am - 5:00pm
  Castle Community, Rochester

- December 14, 2019 - 9:00am - 5:00pm
  GREAT Theater, Waite Park
FWAC Seeking a Representative from Cass & Morrison Counties

Are you interested in helping people have access to arts experiences in our region? That's exactly what members of the Five Wings Arts Council board of directors do as representatives of their home county and you might be a perfect fit for this responsibility.

Five Wings Arts Council is currently seeking a representative from Cass and Morrison Counties to serve a three year term on its board of directors. Council members are charged with setting policy, as well as approving funding programs and services designed to improve the lives of the people in Region Five through arts and culture projects. They also review and make funding award decisions about grant applications submitted to the council. The volunteer board of directors meets 10 times per year, and is compensated for mileage to board meetings.

Council member candidates should have experience participating in, advocating for, and/or supporting the arts. Anyone interested serving in this capacity should submit a letter of interest stating their expertise, and resume to: Five Wings Arts Council, PO Box 118, Staples, MN 56479 or email vicki.fwac@arvig.net. Questions? Call 877-654-2166.

For more information about serving on the FWAC board of directors click here.

FWAC GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Five Wings Arts Council provides funding to organizations and artists in Cass, Crow Wing, Todd, Morrison or Wadena counties. A variety of grant programs are available to produce, present, and/or promote arts projects in Region Five.

The FWAC staff is ready and willing to assist applicants in providing feedback about project ideas and pre-review your grant application. Read on to find out more about each of our grant programs. If you have questions, please contact Vicki Chepulis, Grants & Program Coordinator, at 877-654-2166 or vicki.fwac@arvig.net.

Overview of FY19 Grant Information

Links to Grant Guidelines:
- Community Arts Access Project Grants
- School Arts Project Grants
- General Operating Support Grants
ADDITIONAL ARTS RESOURCES

Other Opportunities and Resources

- Minnesota State Arts Board
- Jerome Foundation
- McKnight Foundation
- National Endowment for the Arts
- Springboard for the Arts