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Forecast fosters dynamic, inclusive and resilient communities through public art, community-engaged design and transformative place-making. For 40 years, we have improved the collective life of communities through a unique...
combination of responsive consulting services, rare one-to-one support for public artists, and abundant resources, including Public Art Review, the world's leading public art journal.

Deadline to submit is October 17, 2018. Starting September 1, applications will be available here: [https://forecastpublicart.submittable.com/submit](https://forecastpublicart.submittable.com/submit)

Forecast offers several grants for mid-career and emerging artists. [RSVP here](https://forecastpublicart.submittable.com/submit) for information sessions about the grants or to attend a grant writing study hall. A grant writing study hall is time and space for you to work on your grant, and ask questions about the grants of Forecast staff. All info sessions will be held at:
Forecast Public Art
2300 Myrtle Avenue
Suite 160
St. Paul, MN 55114
Email [JenK@ForecastPublicArt.org](mailto:JenK@ForecastPublicArt.org) for more information.

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**An Evening with Billy Collins**

Verse Like Water: The visiting poet program of Central Lakes College presents **An Evening with Billy Collins**, September 7th, at 7:00 in the Tornstrom Auditorium in the Washington Education Center in Brainerd. America’s most beloved poet will read, sign books, and then greet the public at Prairie Bay Restaurant.

Tickets for Billy’s reading are available at [www.clcmn.edu/vlw](http://www.clcmn.edu/vlw), in the CLC Bookstore, and at the Crossing Arts Alliance.

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**Bringing Businesses & Artists Together**

**Wednesday September 12th**
from **6:00 PM to 8:00 PM** at **Great River Arts** located at **122 1st Street S.E. Little Falls, MN**

Join Small But Noteworthy at Great River Arts for a Network & Learn Art Crawl Event for a fun evening of networking, idea sharing, and new information for businesses and artists in Little Falls.

The event will feature businesses who support artists share their stories of how their long-term commitment to artists and arts activities have helped them in their other business practices of marketing, event hosting, and engagement with customers.

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**Save The Date: 2018 Minnesota Salsa Fest**
September 22, 2018 from 1:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Just $5 entry for live music (Stearns County Pachanga Society), ice cream, salsa dancing, sustainable farming networking, U of MN educational displays and demos, local foods, salsa tasting, kids events, and farmer’s market!

Download the Salsa Fest Flyer

For more info visit https://www.sfa-mn.org/salsafest/
Located at the Todd County Fair Grounds in Long Prairie

Growers & Makers Marketplace
Upcoming Events

LEARN TO FERMENT: How to Make and Ferment Sauerkraut Safely

From cabbage to kraut, you will learn the ropes of fermenting food safely including tasty recipes, pH testing, fermentation monitoring, and more. This class is hands-on and attendees will make and sample lactose-fermented kraut with all the probiotic goodness it offers. Attendees of this class will work with locally grown produce to prepare and ferment a batch of sauerkraut. While Sprout will monitor the batch over the five week fermentation period, participants will get to sample lacto-fermented products like sauerkraut, kim chi, and beets. Each class participant will get to take home a jar, along with recipes and resources to continue to ferment safely at home.

Date: Saturday, September 29th
Time: 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM
Located at Sprout Growers & Makers Marketplace 609 13th Avenue Northeast, Door 8
Little Falls, MN 56345

To register click here.
Tickets cost $30/person. Reserve in advance: call (320) 412-3081
Morrison County Food Shelf: Party with a Purpose

Tuesday, September 18th from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Location: Sprout Growers & Makers Marketplace
Sprout Growers & Makers Marketplace
609 13th Avenue Northeast
Door 8
Little Falls, MN 56345

What is a Party with a Purpose? A gathering of persons with a common purpose of supporting an organization and their mission through food and philanthropy.

Tickets are $10 and include wine and appetizers. All proceeds from the event benefit the Morrison County Food Shelf.

*If you would rather pay at the door, please send an RSVP notification to Dawn Espe (despe@regionfive.org).

Catered by Prairie Bay Grill. Enjoy Spanish wines and tapas while learning about the Morrison County Food Shelf mission and vision. All proceeds from the event benefit the Morrison County Food Shelf.

Sprout October Growers & Makers Market

The Vespertine Tribal Dancers, a FatChanceBellyDance® Sister Studio and American Tribal Style® belly dance troupe, will be entertaining shoppers throughout the day. Based out of Elemental Studios in the Franklin Arts Center (Brainerd, MN), the group will perform at the October 27th market in Little Falls.

This October market kicks off the indoor market season at the Sprout Growers & Makers Marketplace. All are welcome to enjoy the performance as well as a cooking demonstration in the Sprout kitchen. Stay tuned for the list of vendors. Community members shopping with SNAP benefits can swipe their EBT card to use with vendors selling food products. Shoppers can visit the Sprout info booth to swipe EBT, Debit, and Credit cards in exchange for tokens called "Marketplace Bucks" that can be used at vendor booths during the market.

DATE AND TIME
Sat, October 27, 2018
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

LOCATION
Sprout Growers & Makers Marketplace
609 13th Avenue Northeast
Door 8
Little Falls, MN 56345
SAVE THE DATE: Weaving Waters Fiber Arts Trail Fall Tour

Weaving Waters Fiber Arts Trail Fall Tour is an annual arts and cultural tour with stops in Little Falls, Randall, Brainerd, Staples, Wadena and New York Mills. The tour takes place Friday and Saturday September 21 - 22, 2018. Hours are 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. both days.

Whether you love to view exhibits, visit arts spaces, take a fall drive through the countryside, tour a woolen mill or fabric dyeing business, get your hands dirty or take a class; the best part of visiting Fiber Arts Trails are the conversations with local people making the fiber art scene happen. Trail members include fiber artists, businesses, arts centers, shops and non-profits whose work and focus is on fiber and textile arts. Stay tuned for more information on the upcoming Weaving Waters Fiber Arts Trail Fall Tour!

For more information visit https://midwestfiberartstrails.org/weaving-waters/weaving-waters-trail-tour/

FWAC Seeking Board Members

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 representatives from Cass, Morrison, Todd and Wadena 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.

FY18 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
- Individual Artist Grants
- Small Project Grants

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**Other Opportunities and Resources**

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