



Enter the Northwest Minnesota Visual Art Exhibition



\$1,200.00 in adult awards and **\$450.00** in
high school student awards to be distributed

Entry Forms Due: February 28, 2003
Complete form in center of this newsletter.



Entries accepted in
sculpture,
pottery,
fibers,
jewelry,
painting,
drawing,
photography,
and mixed media.



Wednesday thru Sunday, April 2-6, 2003
Library at University of MN Crookston

An art exhibition for artists living in the Minnesota
counties of **Kittson, Marshall, Norman,
Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, and Roseau.**

This exhibit is sponsored by the **Northwest
Regional Arts Council** FMI contact: Mara Wittman
at 1-800-646-2240. Volunteers from **Valley
Crossing Arts Council** and the **University of
Minnesota** both of Crookston are serving as site
co-sponsors.



Opportunities

MN State Arts Board Deadlines

Call 1-800-866-2787 for more information; applications can also be downloaded from www.arts.state.mn.us.

Video Documentation	Feb 14
Cultural Collaborations	Feb 14
Series Presenter Support	Mar 3
Arts in Ed. School Support	Apr 1
AIE K-12 Arts Challenge	First come
Arts Across Minnesota	
-Host Community	Mar 3
-Festivals	May 1
Artists Career Opportunity	May 1
% for Art Slide Registry	May 15

McKnight Artist Fellowships

Screenwriters Feb 10

Two \$25,000 fellowships awarded through the IFP Minneapolis/Saint Paul. Application forms by calling 612-338-0871.

Choreographers Mar 24

Four \$25,000 fellowships awarded through the Southern Theater. (See dance below)

Ceramic Artists Mar 29

Two \$25,000 fellowships awarded through the Northern Clay Center. Application forms at www.northernclaycenter.org or by calling 612-339-8007.

Dance Apr 7

Three \$25,000 fellowships awarded through the Southern Theater. Application forms at www.southerntheater.org or by calling Mary Ellen Childs at 612-340-0155 ext. 21.



NWRDC/McKnight Artist Grants

Individual Artist Grants: Individual artists may apply for up to \$750.00 for specific projects.

Student Artist Grants: Area high school and college student artists may apply for up to \$500.00. Several restrictions apply. **Both program apps are due on either March 15 or May 15, 2002.** Contact Mara Wittman at 1-800-646-2240; mara@nwrdc.org or print off an application from our web site at www.nwrdc.org/arts.htm in the arts grants section.



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Kim Johnson, *Kennedy*
Gen Knott, *Red Lake Falls*
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Vacancy: 1 from Marshall County

2003 Regional Events Calendar

Feb 27 Arts Advocacy Day

Join Mara Wittman, Arts Council Director, and other arts advocates from around the state for a fun day at the Capitol meeting our legislators and promoting the arts! For a reservation form call Minnesota Citizens for the Arts at 651-251-0868 or print off a form from their web site at www.mtn.org/mca

Mar 11 Young Author's Conference

Northwest Service Cooperative is again sponsoring this day long literary experience for 5-8 graders in our region. This years theme is "Searching for your Voice: The Writer Revealed". Takes place at Northland Community Technical College in Thief River Falls. Call Mary Morken at 218-681-8005 for information on how to participate. Cost is \$20.00 per student.

Mar 20-23 The Boys Next Door

Warroad Summer Theater presents dinner theater at the American Legion. For reservations call 218-386-3692.

Mar 27-30 The Dining Room

Two Rivers Area Theatre presents a comedy at the Red Lake Falls Community Hall.

Apr 4-5 Crazy For You

Warren/Alvarado/Olso High School musical at the Warren Auditorium. Advance reservations available at the school 218-745-4646.

Apr 4-6 Footloose

Stephen/Argyle Central School musical at the Stephen Auditorium; 7-12 grade perform. \$6.00 adult; \$4.00 students & senior citizens. Fri. - Sat. at 7:30 pm; Sun. at 2:00 pm

Two Exciting Events are Taking Place at the University of Minnesota Crookston at the Same Time: April 2-6, 2003!

Northwest Minnesota Art Exhibition

In the Bede Library, open regular library hours. Artist reception Sunday afternoon in cafeteria. Come see artwork by our local artists during the fourth annual exhibit by the Northwest Regional Arts Council. Free admission. Artist entry form on pages 4 and 5 of this newsletter.

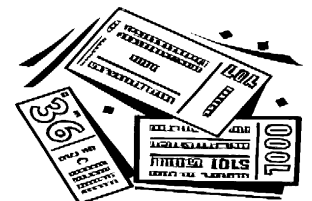
MACT Fest 2003

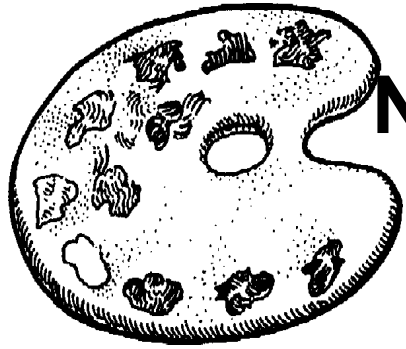
"Stars of the North"

Minnesota Association of Community Theater's annual festival will be at the newly remodeled Keihle Auditorium! This is an exciting event showcasing plays from 20 theater companies from across Minnesota. There will also be 12 theatre workshops, awards, receptions, and a silent auction. Don't miss this unique opportunity. Single Session Tickets for \$10.00 (2 or 3 plays). A Festival Pass is the best deal, this includes all 20 shows, up to 6 workshops, and all 3 receptions for \$85.00.

Area theatre groups participating include plays by Crookston Community Theatre on friday evening and Two Rivers Area Theatre of Red Lake Falls on thursday afternoon!

Contact MACT at 651-644-1167 for a brochure listing all the shows and ticket information, or email mactfactor@aol.com or visit www.mact.net online for more information.





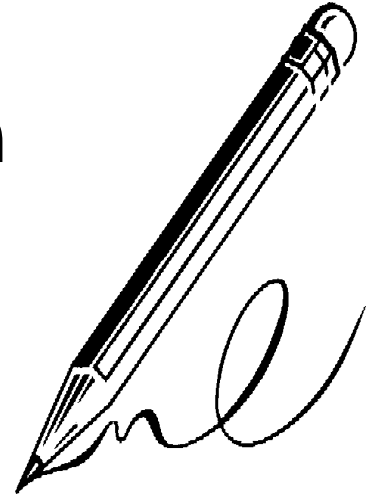
The 4th Annual Northwest Regional Art Exhibition

Wednesday thru Sunday

April 2 - 6, 2003

Bede Library, University of Minnesota Crookston

Rules for Entry and Exhibition



HOWTOENTER

1. Please print (with dark ink) all information on the entry form.
2. Advance registration is required. Entry must be postmarked no later than February 28, 2003. Absolutely no late entries will be accepted.
3. Artists may enter a total of two works in any 2 or 3 dimensional media. Please submit a photograph or slide of each work entered.
4. Original work only, conceived and executed by the artist. Copies will absolutely not be selected as part of the exhibit.
5. The artist must be a resident of the Minnesota counties of Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake and Roseau.
6. Entries must be of work completed within the last five years. Pieces that were displayed in previous year's shows are not eligible for display.
7. Previous year's first place adult winners are not eligible for awards for the same style of artwork. The selection committee will determine whether artwork submitted is of a different style and therefore eligible for awards.

IF SELECTED FOR EXHIBIT (a maximum of 100 pieces can be displayed)

8. All work must be appropriately finished, suitable for hanging or display (e.g., properly wired, no sawtooth hangers, etc.) Work not meeting requirements will be refused.
9. Northwest Minnesota Art Exhibit will not handle sales, but every

effort will be made to put potential buyers in contact with artists.

10. Although the utmost precaution will be taken to protect works, the Northwest Regional Arts Council, the sponsoring group, the facility, and Northwest Minnesota Art Exhibition are not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged work. Artists may wish to personally insure their own work. Submission of work and entry card signature indicates acceptance of all conditions and waiver of liability.

AWARDS: A total of \$1,650 will be awarded. Adult (over 18 years old) awards will be for 1st Place \$500.00; 2nd Place \$250.00; 3rd Place \$100.00; People's Choice \$100.00; and five merit awards of \$50.00 each. Student (14-18 years old) awards will be 1st Place \$150.00; 2nd Place \$75.00; 3rd Place \$50.00; People's Choice \$50.00; and five merit awards of \$25.00 each. Previous year's first place adult winners are not eligible for awards for the same style of artwork.

FUNDING: In accordance with the policies of the Northwest Regional Development Commission, no entry fees are required. Funding for this exhibition is being provided by the Arts Council of the Northwest Regional Development Commission through an appropriation by the Minnesota State Legislature.

PLEASE NOTE: Entry requirements will be enforced, so please let us clarify any questions or concerns you may have. Call: Mara Wittman at 1-800-646-2240.

ENTRY CARD

Mail by **February 28, 2003** to the Northwest Regional Arts Council • 115 South Main • Warren, MN 56762. Samples may be reviewed for possible selection by a committee as early as March 4, 2003.

Artist: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ E-mail: _____
City: _____ Zip: _____ If you are a student please fill in your age ____
and school's name _____

Artist's Signature: _____ (Students ages 14-18 are eligible for student awards.)

If selected, I would allow these pieces to be part of a small local touring exhibition: Entry A ____ Entry B ____

Title A: _____ Title B: _____

Medium: _____ Medium: _____

Size: _____ Size: _____

Price: _____ Price: _____

Entry sample must be submitted

(check which is enclosed)

Slide _____

Photograph _____

Digital Photo _____

Entry sample must be submitted

(check which is enclosed, label thoroughly)

Slide _____

Photograph _____

Digital Photo _____

(Make sure your samples are labeled with your name and title; or Entry A/Entry B if untitled. Thank you.)

You will be notified in writing by March 10, 2003 whether your pieces have been accepted into the exhibit.

Northwest Arts Award Nomination Form

An **ELIGIBLE NOMINATION** must include a completed typed nomination form, narrative on merit, a copy of the nominee's resume and be received by **February 14, 2003**. Only residents of the Minnesota counties **Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, and Roseau** are eligible for the awards.

I wish to nominate: Name _____
Address _____
City/State/ZIP _____
Day Time Phone Number _____
Other Phone Number _____
Art Discipline _____

My name is: Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Day Time Phone Number _____
Other Phone Number _____

RESTRICTIONS: Each award can be received only once in a lifetime. Nominations will not be carried over from year to year. Previous nominees must be renominated each year. It is the policy of NWRAC that nominees will not be notified of their nomination unless they are chosen to receive an Award.

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1. Please check one.

This nomination is for: _____ Northwest Artist _____ Northwest Advocate (arts supporter)

2. Attach a narrative addressing the following questions: (Please use 12 point type and do not exceed two pages)

Northwest Artist

- a. On what merit are you nominating this artist?
- b. How does this artist's work enhance and impact the arts community in our region?

Northwest Advocate

- a. On what merit are you nominating this art supporter?
- b. Describe the impact this arts supporter has had on his/her peers and our region. Mention the specific project or programs they have been involved in that have made substantial contributions to the arts.

3. Optional: Attach support materials such as work samples (up to 5 examples), letters of support (up to 3 letters), and/or additional background information on the person.

4. Send all materials to Mara Wittman, NWRDC, 115 South Main, Warren, MN 56762 by **February 14, 2003**.

Awards will be distributed at the artist reception of the Northwest Minnesota Art Exhibition on Sunday, April 6, 2003 at the University of MN, Crookston.

Newsletter Articles

Northwest Arts Newsletter is a free publication of the Arts Council with a current distribution of over 600. Funded by a grant from the Minnesota State Legislature, the newsletter provides information to artist, arts organizations, community groups, and schools in Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, and Roseau counties.

We welcome:

- Art Calendar Information
- Opportunities for Artists
- Workshops for Artists or Organizations
- Events and Registration Notifications
- Submitted Organizational Profiles

See the information in the form below for deadlines. Our office will no longer be sending out our newsletter article request forms in the mail. It will be your responsibility to complete the form below and return the information on time to be listed. To be added to our mailing list, call Mara Wittman 1-800-646-2240 or e-mail her at mara@nwrdc.org For more information on our grant programs and services check out our updated home page: www.nwrdc.org/arts.htm

WHAT'S HAPPENING in the arts in your area?

Your news will be included in the Northwest Arts bimonthly newsletter if you copy this page, complete it, and return this form to us by e-mail or FAX to: 218-745-6438. Publications are February, April, June, August, October, and December of each year. Please submit information by the 10th of the preceding month. **The next deadline is March 10th. Your information should include dates for April, May, June, July, and August 2003.**

DATE(s): _____

TIME(s): _____

SPONSORING ORGANIZATION(s): _____

NAME OF EVENT: _____

LOCATION: _____

CITY: _____ **ADMISSION:** _____

PHONE NUMBER FOR PUBLIC INQUIRIES: _____

PERSON COMPLETING THIS FORM: _____ **PHONE:** _____

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EVENT: _____



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