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The Mission of the Valley Art Association is to promote visual arts and artists in the Chippewa Valley of Wisconsin through networking, creative development, and support for exhibits and Workshops.

April 6 is the date of the event VAA is sponsoring, the **2024 POP-UP WRAP**. What is that? It is a one-day event that includes judging of artwork and a workshop (and lunch!) Our judge is **Kay Brathol-Hostvet**, who is a professional artist and an experienced WRAP judge. The workshop will be presented by **Jeff Nelson, Karen Scarceth, and Mary Hermanson**. It will be an interactive experience with these professional artists as they share their knowledge. If you are looking to refresh your skills and inspiration, you will appreciate and benefit from this experience. If you are newer to art, you will learn some basics that will help you be more successful. This is for all artists of all mediums. **It is open to ALL artists 18 and older.**

This is a new type of WRAP event sponsored by our organization to support members in achieving their artistic goals. I hope you will support it by registering and encouraging others to participate, as well. Register by March 22. (see below) Best wishes to you all, Kathy Stockton-Behnke, VAA President.

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Pop-Up WRAP event

Saturday, April 6

8:30am-3:30pm

Register by March 22 @

<https://wiscartists.wildapricot.org/event-5496267>

(Please note web address corrected)

*****WANT ADS*****

Vallejo Acrylic Fluid Medium – Matte-3/4 bottle \$50.00 (from VAA supply)

Watercolor Fast and Loose, Ron Ranson \$5

The Big Book of Painting Nature in Watercolor, Ferdinand Petrie, \$5

Transparent Watercolor, Edward Walker, \$5

Watercolor Free & Easy, Eric Wiegardt, \$5

Painting Nature's Hidden Treasures, Zolton Szabo, \$5 (watercolor)

The Watercolor Flower Painter's A-Z, Adelene Fletcher, \$5

Watercolor for the First Time, Kory Fluckiger

Contact Kathy (for above items)- 715-207-9145
Send your want ads by 10th of month to vaapresident2024@gmail.com

Your VAA Board Members

Please contact any board member for questions you may have regarding Membership, Exhibits, Programs, opportunities, etc

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Upcoming Meetings/Programs

Next meeting March 7 at Heyde

Remembrance Event for **Christy Skuban** at 1106/Artisan Forge on March 14 from 7-9pm

Want to exhibit in Eau Claire?

Openings at **1106 VAA exhibit** (2 month periods), **1106 artist-of-the month** (one month solo show) and **alternate waitlist for Sweet Driver Café**. Contact vaapresident2024@gmail.com

Member Classes

Classes at the CF Resource Center- Spring 2024

<https://chipfalls.revtrak.net>

Zentangle Inspired Art- March 19/ 26

Stockton-Behnke

Glass on Glass Mosaics- February 12 and 19 or April 3 and 10, Dawn Briskey

Eco dyeing Card Creating-April 30 and May 1, Cari Raynae Jacobson

Members Exhibiting Around the Town

***Venture & Voice**, an art show put on by [Empty Walls Art](#). Stop by and enjoy the art at Chippewa Valley Museum in Eau Claire's Carson Park.

#[CVMuseum](#). The Venture & Voice Art Show will be at the museum from Jan 23 - Mar 23.

***1106 VAA Exhibit**- February 12-April 8 Cari Raynae Jacobson and Sarah Williams exhibiting. (Coordinator Sarah Williams)

Sweet Driver Café- Nancy Erickson Dutmer and Julianne Johnson to March 3rd. Hubert Steve Cole and Bonnie Fetzek, March 5th until May 5th. (Coordinator June Haigh-Boley)

Fabulous Florals, Pablo Center, Eau Claire, March 7-9 Nancy Dutmer

SOO Visual Arts Center, Minneapolis, MN, Feb 17 - Feb 24

New Area Art Event

Arrivals and Departures, a five-state, themed, juried art show will run **September 5-October 16, 2024** at the Heyde Center for the Arts with an opening reception and awards program on Sunday, September 8 from 2-4 PM. This show will be digitally juried from online applications by a panel of art professionals. The selected works will be judged on site by a show judge for multiple cash awards. The prospectus and entry information will be available by May 1

Chippewa Valley Art Upcoming Events

ARTSWEST-exhibit March 11 to May 20

www.ecpubliclibrary.info/art

VAA Pop-Up WRAP- April 6 - deadline March 22 register at <https://wiscartists.wildapricot.org/event-5496267>

Heyde Center for the Arts Spring show- April 7 to April 19 www.cvca.net deadline March 1, 2024

Website GALLERY

The VAA Website Gallery is available to *all members in good standing*, a PDF is available on the website **EVENTS & MEMBERSHIP Pages** with instructions for both current gallery members and new to gallery members. Updates are completed twice per calendar year. Next update is September 2024.

NOTE: THIS is not a site to sell from, but provides a secure web link with Bio, contact, and reference photos for sharing.

<https://www.valleyartassociation.org>

Two Artist Residency Openings-

LE Phillips Library- June 2024

<http://www.ecpubliclibrary.info/makerinresidence>

La Pointe Center for the Arts- October 2024

<https://lapointecenter.org/programs/>