



VAA newsletter

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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

From the president: Happy Winter Solstice!

Two reminders:

- Pick up your artwork from the Heyde **Monday and Tuesday, December 22 and 23, 10am-5pm.**
- Register for the 20th anniversary celebration by **December 27.** Here is the link to register- <https://forms.gle/cwNLemuVTnrjcGK68>



Best Wishes for the holidays!



Exhibiting at VAA venues- January/February 2026

E.L. Pilates – June Haigh-Boley

Decadent Gifts – Randy Palmer

Acoustic Café- VAA 20th Anniversary Display

Exhibit opportunities: Openings for 2-month exhibits:

E.L. Pilates - Mar/April, May/June, Sept/Oct and Nov/Dec

Acoustic Cafe 3D - May/June, July/Aug and Nov/Dec

Contact sarahj724@gmail.com for more information

Artists Around the Town:

Pablo Center Annual Exhibit- October 27, 2025 - January 4, 2026

Congratulations to **Heidi Schreiner** for first place with “Resilient” and **Jean Young** for third place with “Emergence.” Awesome showing for the VAA! Other VAA members exhibiting - Helen Buck, Karen Scarseth, Becky Bowers, Mary Hermanson, and Holi Jacobson. On view now in the James W. Hansen Gallery, Monday - Saturday 10 AM to 2 PM + during ticketed events.

Dates to Remember

December 22-23 – load out Fall Show

January 8 – 20th VAA Anniversary Party /silent auction fundraiser

TBD- dedication for park bench for Priscilla Mae...rescheduled for spring.

Calls for Artists around the Chippewa Valley:

- Heyde Center for the Arts- **Healing through Art: Journey of Wellness 2026**” submission **deadline January 23, 2026-** debjohnson@cvca.net
- **Wisconsin ArtsWest 47-** The show will open on March 16th and run through May 18th. This exhibit is open to all working artists and students, ages 18 and older, living in Wisconsin. All media are acceptable. More information can be found here: [ArtsWest47.pdf](#) and on the entry form at www.ecpubliclibrary.info/submit47. The deadline for entries is **January 20, 2026**. No entry fees are required.

Your VAA Board Members 2025

President – Kathy Stockton-Behnke - vaapresident2024@gmail.com

Vice President – Paula Delfosse **Secretary** – Sarah Williams **Treasurer** – Val Naber

Members-At-Large: Randy Palmer, June Haigh-Boley, Mindy Huntress, Cari Raynae Jacobson, Helen Buck

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.