



The Language of Color

TINT

A tint is a color that has been lightened by adding white to a base color. It's a variation of the original color, often appearing softer and more pastel-like. For example, pink is a tint of red. Tints are created by reducing the darkness of a color while maintaining its hue.

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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

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### From the president:

- **PICNIC Meeting location on June 5-** We will meet at **5:30** in the Activity Building at Irvine Park in Chippewa Falls. See attached announcement for more details. This is our summer get together. Bring your artwork to show the group. This is the program for the event. Bring your food and **your spouse or guest**, too! VAA will provide canned drinks, cookies, napkins. The facility will be open much of the day for any groups that would like to gather before the picnic. You can meet in the building or use it as a home base during the daytime. The building will be open for VAA use beginning at NOON. **Please contact [vaapresident2024@gmail.com](mailto:vaapresident2024@gmail.com) to schedule a specific group's usage time.** See attached map. Activity building is B on the map in southern end.
- **20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VAA** will be in 2026. The board has some ideas for celebrating. If you would like to be part of the planning of the year's events, email [vaapresident2024@gmail.com](mailto:vaapresident2024@gmail.com)
- Our friend and fellow artist and board member-at-large, **Kate Mulvaney**, is struggling with a very serious health challenge. Please see the attachment from Ruth Lundblad regarding a way to reach out to Kate to offer support and love. **Please note this is a time sensitive request.** As a member of our VAA art community, please offer your prayers and support to her and her family during this difficult time.

**MORE...**

**May is Mental Health Awareness month.** We are reminded of the immense value of art in our wellbeing in this article from earth.com. Take a minute to read it to appreciate what your art does not just for you but also for others. <https://www.earth.com/news/simply-looking-at-art-can-improve-your-well-being/>

**Art and Mental Wellness Exhibit 2025**-The Heyde Center for the Arts in collaboration with National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Chippewa Valley are excited to announce "**Art and Mental Wellness.**" The exhibit will run May 15 to June 19.

## **VAA Exhibiting Opportunities**

Acoustic 3D Sept/Oct ( Contact the exhibit committee, Sarah Williams, Mindy Huntress, or Randy Palmer if you are interested.)

## **Exhibiting in the Chippewa Valley**

The following people are exhibiting at VAA venues in May and June.

**E.L. Pilates** – Sarah Williams

**Decadent Gifts** – Ken Krautbauer

**Acoustic Café**- Andrea Schaffer and Sarah Williams

## **Upcoming Events to watch for:**

- Register for bus trip to art museum in the **fall**- July
- Art Swap at the August meeting- gather your stuff!
- October 14 workshop with Des Sikowski-Nelson registration- July
- Call for artists for Fall VAA Heyde show- July

## **Your VAA Board Members 2025**

**President** – Kathy Stockton-Behnke - [vaapresident2024@gmail.com](mailto:vaapresident2024@gmail.com)

**Vice President** - vacant **Secretary** – Sarah Williams **Treasurer** – Val Naber

**Member-At-Large:** Randy Palmer, June Haigh-Boley, Mindy Huntress, Cari Raynae Jacobson, Helen Buck, Paula Delfosse

**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 Fall, 2025.