



The ACCC serves artists of all mediums at all levels, providing opportunities to create, perform, respond, and connect to art.

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A Message to the Arts Community

Kathy Oliphant, Executive Director



Dear Members and Friends,

What an incredible weekend we had for the 13th Annual Edge of the Big Woods Art Wander! The creativity and support from both artists and visitors made it one of our best shows yet. We are so grateful to everyone who participated and helped make this

event a success. We're already looking ahead to next year's Art Wander, which will take place September 26–28, 2025. Mark your calendars—we can't wait to do it all again!

Even though we've closed the gift shop at the Chaska Community Center, the ACCC will continue partnering with Chaska Parks & Recreation to host our gallery shows and receptions. Past exhibits will also continue traveling to area libraries, allowing more people to enjoy and appreciate the work of local artists.

Our next show is the Members Show, running from November 25 to January 10. This exhibit celebrates the work of ACCC members, and we invite you to save the date for the reception on December 12, from 6:30 to 8:30 PM in the gallery space. Join us for an evening of socializing and refreshments as we support and applaud our talented artists.

What's next for the ACCC? Keep reading to learn about upcoming events and exciting opportunities for sales and commissions.

With gratitude,
Kathy Oliphant

Call for Artists!

Members Show



The Member Show gallery exhibit runs from November 25 through January 10, and all members are invited and encouraged to submit their work. There is no theme and no fee to participate—everyone is welcome! All submissions must be wired and ready to hang. Please fill out and submit the Gallery Intake Form below.

Since the gift shop is no longer available as a drop-off point, artwork must be dropped off at the Parks and Recreation office during their office hours (9 AM to 4 PM) between November 20 to 22. If those times don't work, please contact Liya at [612-867-9278](tel:612-867-9278) to make other arrangements.

After the exhibit at the gallery, the show will travel to local libraries, which requires a minimum four-month commitment. If you do not wish to

participate in the traveling exhibit, please check the appropriate box on the intake form.

The gallery reception will be on Thursday, December 12, so be sure to mark your calendars!

[Click Here for the Gallery Intake Form](#)

We're excited to invite you to *Fall Splendor*, a special collaborative event celebrating the musicians and writers of Carver County. Spend an evening surrounded by the magic of live music and storytelling from our talented members.

The theme for the night will revolve around these prompt words: *A Funny Thing, Worth It, Magic, Mystery, Last Time, and Blue*. Each performance will offer a unique interpretation of these prompts, bringing a blend of creativity and emotion.



Upcoming Opportunities for Sales and Commission

European-Style Holiday Market | Sun Meadow Farm, Carver

- Saturday, November 9 | 12:00 PM - 9:00 PM
- Sunday, November 10 | 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Description:

Sun Meadow Farm in Carver will be hosting it's first ever European-Style Holiday Market. Some of you may know this location as Studio O on the Art Wander tour, a charming farm site on the Carver bluffs. This market will feature one-of-a-kind gifts crafted by local artisans, live demonstrations, music, food & drinks.

The Arts Consortium of Carver County will occupy the upper floor of the granary, a bright rustic space, with room for up to 8 tables for artist sales.

Should I Participate?

This event offers an opportunity for sales and is ideal for artists with a small inventory who may not have access to a point-of-sale system. Sales will be run by ACCC volunteers, so it is not necessary to be present for the duration of the event. The ACCC will handle setup, table covers, vertical display, teardown, and manage cash or credit card sales, retaining a 20% commission fee.

NOTE: If you are interested in occupying a larger space and handling your own sales, individual registrations are being taken for 10X10 indoor and outdoor booth spaces. If you are interested in your own vendor space, please contact Cindy Anderson at candersonabf@gmail.com.

How Do I Register?

Full Table Reservation in the Granary

- \$20 for ACCC Members/\$30 for Non Members

1/2 Table Reservation in the Granary

- \$10 for ACCC Members/\$15 for Non Members

Register here for the Holiday Market - 1 Spot Remains



Artist Conversations are held the 3rd Monday of each month. The next gathering is Monday, October 21 from 4-6 PM at Elizabeth B's house. Join this

friendly group if you are looking to chat about art, get a critique, or help other artists in their process. For more information and directions, text Liya [\(612\) 867-9278](tel:6128679278) or Abigail [\(952\) 380-7924](tel:9523807924).

Do you have an arts event you'd like to promote?

As a member of the Arts Consortium of Carver County (ACCC), you can share an event through our monthly newsletter. Join us, and we can help you reach over 1,200 art enthusiasts and supporters.

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