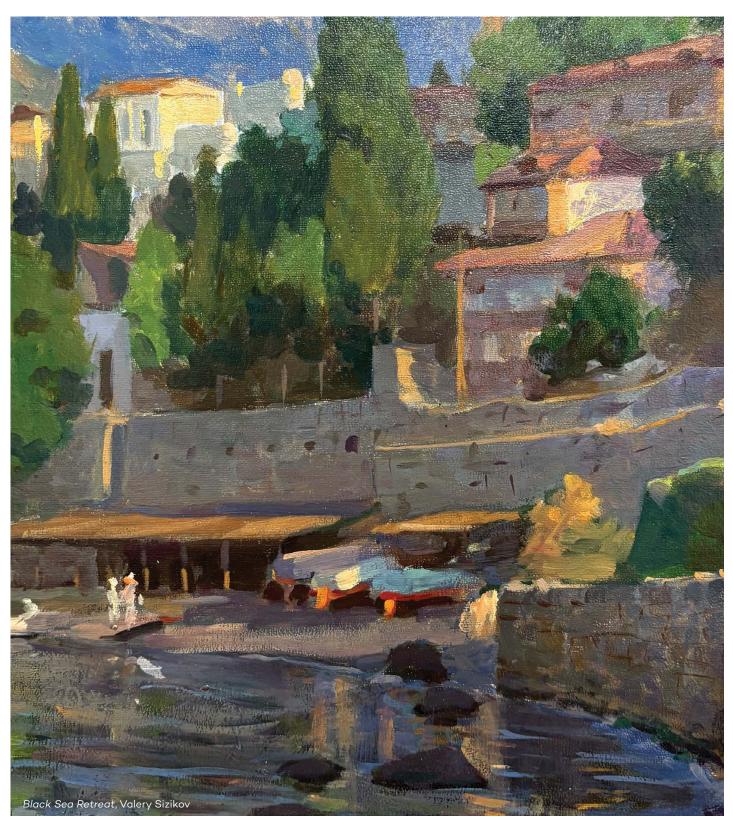
WINTER SPRING 2026





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WINTER HOURS:

Labor Day to Memorial Day **TUES-SAT:** 10am-4pm

THURS: 10am-9pm

WELCOME

As the Executive Director, I'm thrilled and honored to welcome you to the Pearson Lakes Art Center and the Lauridsen Performing Arts Theatre. Whether you are a weekend visitor or a long time resident, we have something planned just for you. We invite you to come discover, grow, learn and create, no matter your age or ability.

There is no end to where you'll find inspiration. The variety of opportunities we offer creates a place for you to explore, both indoors and outdoors, the world of art in all its forms. The Pearson Lakes Art Center is free to visit all year round. We encourage you to come enjoy live performances, explore world class art, take an art or culinary class, visit our children's interactive gallery, tour our sculpture trail, and much more. It is here waiting just for you. Be a part of your art center. BE INSPIRED. BE YOU.

If you are not a member of the Pearson Lakes Art Center, we invite you to become one. Receive discounts on classes, workshops, & performance tickets.

Sincerely, Bob Kirschbaum



VISUAL ARTS



What is Disability? Mural Project Through Feb. 28



PLAC Biennial Exhibition Through Feb. 21



New to the Collection: Featuring Paintings Gifted by John & Karen Goodenow Through May 2026



Dickinson County All School Show Mar. 5 - Apr. 11 Opening Reception: 3/5, 5-8pm



From the Collections Apr. 16 - Jun. 20



Celebrate the Arts! Juried Exhibition and Art Auction May 7 – Jun. 5 Opening Reception: 5/7, 5-7pm





Call for Art, Call for Artists Forms for 2026!

Celebrate The Arts | May 7 - June 5 **Art in the Park** | Saturday, August 1 **Artisans Road Trip** | October 3 & 4 Applications available February 1st at lakesart.org





PLAC Sculpture Trail Loop

Discover twenty-two permanent and seven annually rotating sculptures along the Pearson Lakes Art Center grounds and Sculpture Trail Loop. Stroll through this unique outdoor gallery where art and nature intertwine. These rotating sculptures will be on view through May of 2026 and are available for purchase. If you are interested in purchasing one of the sculptures, please inquire at the main office. Save the date for opening of the new group of sculptures on June 18, 2026.



Scan the QR code to learn more about the artists and their creations.

EDUCATION CLASSES

Registration deadline for all youth classes is the Wednesday prior to the class start date. All youth classes are 3 week courses.

Mini Michelangelos I K-2nd gr

Thursdays | 4:00-4:45pm | \$36/\$48

Jan. 8, 15, 22: Paper Mache Cottages

Feb. 5, 12, 19: A Grandma Moses Winter

Mar. 5, 12, 19: Wiggle Glaze! Bowl, Plate, & Cup Set

Apr. 2, 9, 16: Printmaking Quilt

Art Club I 3-6 gr

Thursdays | 5-6pm | \$36/\$48

Jan. 8, 15, 22: Paper Mache Vases

Feb. 5, 12, 19: Reflections in the Water

Mar. 5. 12. 19: Patterned Slab Vessels

Apr. 2, 9, 16: Beginner Lithography

Teen Art I 7-12 gr

Tuesdays | 4-5pm | \$36/\$48

Jan. 6, 13, 20: Paper Mache Animals

Feb. 3, 10, 17: Painting Water

Mar. 3, 10, 17: Mugs, Cups, & Containers!

Apr. 7, 14, 21: CD Intaglio Printmaking



SCAN FOR FULL CLASS DESCRIPTIONS & TO REGISTER ONLINE OR CALL 712-332-7029

SatARTday CLASS

Youth Sculpture Walk & Workshop

Saturday, May 30 | 10-11:30am | \$10/\$15 1st - 5th grade | Register by 5/20

Students will join on a walking tour of the PLAC outdoor sculpture trail and grounds- where we will view sculptures in a variety of media. Participants will get a peek into what it takes to assemble a sculpture back in the studio- where a large assortment of found objects will be available to create their very own sculpture to take home that day! Students are encouraged to dress for the weather, wear tennis shoes, and bring a water bottle. Inclement Weather Date: Monday, June 1st.

ADULT WORKSHOP

Nature Composition: Moss Wall Art

Thursday, Feb. 12, 6-8pm OR Saturday, Apr. 11, 10am-12pm | \$55/\$65 Instructor: Samantha McCandless

Level: All Levels, 21+

Design and assemble a beautiful square wall art piece using a mix of preserved moss, live air plants, and realistic faux succulents. Discussion of layout and composition will help you arrange natural textures and colors to create a low maintenance long-lasting work of art. All materials provided. Must register 1 week prior to class. Complimentary adult beverage supplied with each class.

ADULT WORKSHOP

Lucky Weavers: Cloverleaf Basket Weaving

Thursday, Feb. 26, 5:30-7pm AND Saturday, March 7, 10am-3pm | \$55/\$65

Instructor: Sandie Smith Level: Intermediate, 18+

Join us to create a lucky handwoven treasure with this two-part intermediate basket weaving workshop, ideal for those who have prior weaving experience and are ready to expand their technique with a fun and festive project. Students will work with round reeds to shape, form, and finish a unique basket that highlights both skill and creativity. Register by Feb. 18.

ADULT WORKSHOP

Hello Stitches!

Saturday, Mar. 28 | 9:30am-4pm | \$45/\$55

Instructor: Sandie Smith Level: Beginner, 18+

Join us for a fun, hands-on sewing workshop perfect for beginners! In this session, you'll complete two practical kitchen projects including a Casserole Carrier and Hanging Kitchen Hand Towel. Participants can bring their own sewing machine or reserve one of our limited sewing machines- first come, first serve. All fabric provided, we ask that you bring an iron, ironing pad, fabric scissors or rotary cutter. Register by Mar. 21.

ADULT WORKSHOP

Spring Into Art

Wednesday, Apr. 1 | 1-4pm | \$55/\$65 Instructor: Kathy McGill & Kris Walker

Level: Beginner, 18+

Join twin sisters Kathy & Kris for a joyful, hands-on art class celebrating the spirit of spring—and silliness of April Fool's Day! Whether you're a seasoned artist or just curious to try something new, this class is designed to spark creativity and connection. Choose from acrylic or watercolor paints. Glass of wine included. Register by Mar. 25.

OPEN STUDIO

Still Life Thursdays- Florals

Thursdays | 10am-9pm, Come & Go | \$10/\$15 Jan. 8, Feb. 5, Mar. 19, Apr. 9 & May 21

Level: All Levels, 16+

Each month, florist, April Junge, of Hometown Florals, will curate a unique arrangement featuring distinctive blooms and unusual vases—perfect for artists of all styles. Bring your own supplies and work in any medium you choose. Drop-ins welcome.

ADULT WORKSHOP

Sculpture Walk

Tuesday, May 26 | 10am | Freewill Donation Level: All Levels, 18+

Join PLAC Docents for a guided walking tour of the outdoor sculpture trail, with a special focus on works installed in 2025 and the surrounding landscape. Explore sculptures created in a range of media, while discussing each piece's materials, artistic context, and the creative practices of the featured artists. This engaging tour offers a rich look at both the artwork and the stories behind it. Participants are encouraged to dress for the weather, wear tennis shoes, and bring a water bottle.

ArtSmart

The ArtSmart Interactive Gallery serves as an incubator and engine for art making and creative exploration within PLAC and the community. Visitors will experience visual, theatrical, and musical art exhibits with direct links to the PLAC collections with a hands-on learning approach. Construct a castle, star in a play, or craft your very own masterpiece. Fun for all ages!!

Indoor Spaces:

Art Studio
Performance Art Space
Sculpture Studio
Color Stations

Outdoor Spaces:

Available in the warmer months, weather permitting

Paint Wall
Nature Sculpture
Musical Instruments

DEMONSTRATION CLASSES & DINNERS

Wine Class

With Jennifer Tritle-Oitzman of Okoboji Wines

Thursdays | 6pm | \$45/\$55

Registration required 2 days before each class.

Jan. 15: The History of Prohibition

Feb. 5: Wines of Bordeaux

Mar. 5: Blind Tasting: Cool Climate vs Warm

Apr. 2: Varietal Series: Cabernet Franc

*Wed. May 13 | \$80/\$90: Winemaker Tasting Event With California's Scott Harvey of Scott Harvey Winery.

One Pan Wonders

With Jean Quinn & Molly Quinn Avery

Thursday, Feb. 26 | 3pm | \$50/\$60

Register by Feb. 24

Simplify meals without sacrificing flavor or nutrition and feel good about what you are eating! Sisters Jean and Molly will make this fun - educating, then demonstrating several one pan meals to create the perfect balance of delicious spices and healthy ingredients! Generous tastings and a glass of wine included.

Flavors of Spring Dinner

With Chef Seth Lintelman of Cup N' Saucer

Thursday, Apr. 23 | 6pm | \$135/\$145

Register by Apr. 16

Taste the flavors of spring in Chef Seth's unique 4-course tasting menu, always drawing upon the freshest seasonal ingredients. Cup N' Saucer is located in Sherburn, MN, and is intentional in creating modern American cuisine with the best locally sourced products of the Midwest.

Chinese Stir Fry Tasting Luncheon

With Helen Alexander

Wednesday, Feb. 4 | 11am | \$55/\$65

Register by Jan. 29

Helen will explain the tips & techniques in preparing the perfect stir fry meal - keeping it simple, tasty, healthy, and seasonably fresh! This demonstration class will culminate in a lovely lunch of soup, three different stir fry dishes, herbal tea, dessert, and a glass of wine.

A Vegetarian Voyage

With Sarah Page w/So Good By Sarah Custom Catering

Wednesday, Mar. 18 | 12pm | \$50/\$60

Register by Mar. 12

Struggling to incorporate more healthy vegetables into your daily diet or tired of delegating vegetables as just side dishes? Sarah is eager to demonstrate tasty vegetarian main dishes to build your confidence in exploring the wide world of plant-based cuisine! Enjoy several samplings and a glass of wine.

Craft Tacos

With Sarah Page w/So Good By Sarah Custom Catering

Tuesday, May 19 | 12pm | \$50/\$60

Register by May 14

Some of the simplest ingredients taste so good together! Sarah will prepare a festive lunch and share her three most popular taco recipes. Choose from a variety of flavorful fillings and taco shell/wraps and assemble with a variety of condiments. A margarita or glass of wine is included!

Winter Comfort Food With Jay Norton of The Hen House

\$100/\$110 per dinner | 6pm

Registration required 2 days before each class.

Thursday, Feb. 19: Traditional Southern Cooking

Thursday, Mar. 12: Irish Country Supper.

Join Chef Jay at the kitchen counter for a small group experience of timeless favorites! A glass of wine is served with each dinner.

Tea Party in Paris

With Sarah Page w/So Good By Sarah Custom Catering

Wednesday, Apr. 8 | 1pm | \$75/\$85 Register by Apr. 2

Celebrate the new spring season, Parisian style! Treat yourself to a beautiful afternoon indulging in buttery scones with jam & cream, delicate tea sandwiches, petite sweets, a variety of teas, good company and a glass of French bubbly!



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Online registration available for culinary classes.

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HANDS-ON CLASSES

Valentine Cupcake Decorating

With Janet Steinbach of Lakes Cakes Boji Custom Cakery

Tuesday, Feb. 3 | 4pm-5:15pm \$40/\$50 per Group, add additional child for \$10

Register by Jan. 29

Designed for kids ages 7-12 years and an adult to work together as a group. Decorate your own adorable animal inspired Valentine Cupcakes! Learn about decorating techniques and designs, practice with fondant, then create your own decorated cupcake masterpieces! Take away your 6 cupcakes in a bakery box to share with family and friends.

Sourdough Bread Making

With Natasha Erikson of Rise Sourdough Company

Wednesday, Feb. 18 or Thursday, May 7 10am | \$60/\$70

In this beginner class, Natasha will lead you in a small group setting as you learn the basics of making sourdough bread. Class includes instruction, a sourdough starter, taste samples, and hands on experience mixing and kneading a mini loaf you will take home to bake and enjoy! Class is 2 - 2½ hrs.

French Crepes with Four de Marie Bakery With Pastry Chef Jacques Bouli and Brigitte Bouli

Thursday, Mar. 26 | 6pm | \$40/\$50 Register by Mar. 24

Chef Jacques will reveal the secrets to making mouth-watering crepes, the ultra thin pancakes common in France, which are rolled or folded with a variety of fillings. This class is a blend of hands-on and demonstration with the tasty reward of a savory traditional crepe filled with ham, cheese, garlic, and onion. A lovely light dinner with a glass of wine included!

HANDS-ON CLASSES

Spring Cupcake Decorating

With Janet Steinbach of Lakes Cakes Boji Custom Cakery

Tuesday, Mar. 31 | 4pm-5:15pm \$40/\$50 per Group, add additonal child for \$10

Register by Mar. 26

Designed for kids ages 7-12 years and an adult to work together as a group. Decorate your own Spring theme Cupcakes! Learn about decorating techniques and designs, practice with fondant, then create your own decorated cupcake masterpieces! Take away your 6 cupcakes in a bakery box to share with family and friends.

Create & Savor Cooking Class

With Marisa Sidles of Rissy's Dry Rubs and Seasonings

Saturdays | 6pm | \$80/\$90

Registration required 3 days before each class.

In this hands-on cooking class, Marisa will guide you in preparing a delicious decadent meal, glass of wine included!

Feb. 14: Buttery Lobster Ravioli

Mar. 14: A Night In Naples



Gourmet Pizza Making With Kris Walker & Kathy McGill

Tuesday, Apr. 28 | 11am | \$55/\$65 Register by Apr. 23

Flatbread & Friendship! Make new friends while you learn recipes and have fun making a variety of gourmet topped pizzas in this light-hearted hands on class! Work together in assembling your pizzas, then relax sipping wine and enjoying a salad, until your pizzas are baked to perfection! Buon Appetito!

Date Night Cooking Class

With Marisa Sidles of Rissy's Dry Rubs and Seasonings

Fridays | 6pm | \$160/\$170 per Couple

Registration required 3 days before each class.

A little flour, a little wine, and a lot of love — the perfect date night with Marisa!

Feb. 13: Buttery Lobster Ravioli

Mar. 13: A Night In Naples

Apr. 24: Summer Grilled Tri-Tip with Salsa Verde

Sweet & Savory Small Party Bites - Part 2 With Joleen Koch

Thursday, May 28 | 3pm | \$50/\$60 Register by May 26

A welcome continuation of a popular class offered last Fall! This hands-on/demonstration class will focus on creating the perfect appetizers and sweets for entertaining in the warmer weather. Have fun assembling and sampling several small bites while sipping a refreshing spring cocktail. Cheers!

PERFORMING ARTS

Coming in Summer of 2026...

Be on the lookout for member-only presales in February and March!



Texas Tenors | June 16 & 17



Linda Ronstadt Experience | June 30



Electric Light Orchestra Experience | July 21



Heart By Heart | July 28

SWING DANCE CLASS

Midwest Swing Dance Co.

Friday, Mar. 13 & Saturday, Mar. 14 | 7-9pm | \$80/\$90

Join instructors from Midwest Swing Dance Co. for a 2 night swing dance course in our galleries! This class is open to all ages (21+) and experience levels. We work from the ground up so that anyone at any ability level can learn how to dance. This class is not only for couples, but for singles too! Hors d'oeuvres served and cash bar available. Register by Mar. 6.



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