

# The Arts Center

May - Aug. 2025

## Cut Away

Reduction Relief Prints by Eric Johnson (NDAGA)

May 1 - June 12

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Join us for next *Perfectly Paired* on May 1, 2025, at 7:00pm for the opening of *Cut Away: Reduction Relief Prints* by Eric Johnson.

This *Perfectly Paired* event is a fine arts gallery experience coupled with wine & delightful tastings and the opening of our next exhibit!

Call 251-2496 to sign up for this *Perfectly Paired* event.

Eric A. Johnson is widely regarded as one of the region's most prolific and accomplished printmakers. Over the past seven years, he has created more than 150 original prints, showcasing his mastery of the reductive relief process—a technique known for its complexity and vivid layering of color. Johnson's work has been featured in over fifty regional and national exhibitions, earning numerous awards and a strong following among collectors and art enthusiasts alike. His prints are particularly well known in the Fargo-Moorhead area, where his brilliantly hued landscapes are easily recognized and deeply admired.

What sets Johnson's work apart is his bold, inventive use of color and texture, which brings energy and emotional depth to familiar scenes. His prints are held in private and corporate collections across the region, reflecting his impact on the Midwestern art scene.

A collection of Eric Johnson's reduction relief prints will be on display at the Art Center from May 1 through July 12.



Eric Johnson,  
*The Sun's Going to Shine in my Back Door Someday*  
2020, Reduction Relief Print



# NEWS FROM OUR DIRECTOR

## Thank You for Supporting the Arts!

Thank you to all of the Jamestown Fine Arts Association members and supporters. Your encouragement and generosity make everything we do possible.

We're looking forward to an exciting summer filled with creativity and community! From summer camps and art classes to the summer musical and the beloved Downtown Arts Market, there's something for everyone.

We're also thrilled with the progress on The Arts Center's expansion! Our "Raising the Bar Campaign" is in its final stretch—the most challenging and most crucial phase of any capital campaign, according to the experts. We couldn't have come this far without your support, and we need your help to finish strong.

If you're interested in supporting our new addition, please use the QR code below to donate. With your help, we'll open the doors to our expanded space in September 2025!

Together, we're building something truly special—for today and for generations to come. With your continued support, we're optimistic about the future and the impact we can make.

With gratitude,



Mindi

Scan the QR code  
to donate today!



*Gratitude opens the door to the power, the wisdom, and the creativity of the Universe.  
You open the door through gratitude. Deepak Chopra*

## You're Invited!

Please join us on June 18th from 5:00 - 6:30 for our JFAA Annual Meeting.

Agenda:

Appetizers will be served

Thank you to volunteers/donors

JFAA Updates

Capital Campaign, Art Therapy Program, All things Arts Center

Approve JFAA Annual Budget

# A Letter From Our Leadership

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Dear Friends of the Arts,

As we are now settled into 2025, I am excited to share many new developments with you here at the Arts Center.

## **Raising the Bar for the Arts**

Since the inception of this project in 2022, our dedicated team has been diligently working to secure the necessary funds for the renovation of the former Wonder Bar. We are excited to share several significant developments with you, including a revised campaign goal, updated architectural renderings, new strategic partnerships, and details about our expanded programming. In the coming months, you will notice a flurry of activity at our corner in Downtown Jamestown as renovations commence.



Riley Akervik  
JFAA Board of Directors President

Our goal is to complete this project by **September 2025**, marking a new era for the arts in our community. This is an exhilarating time as we work to shape the future of the arts in Jamestown. I extend my deepest gratitude to the Jamestown community and our supporters from beyond. Your unwavering dedication to the arts is truly inspiring and will enable us to continue to **Raise the Bar for the Arts** for many years to come.

## **Arts Center Updates**

As we approach the summer, I look forward to seeing many of you at the Downtown Arts Market on Thursday evenings. This has become one of my favorite events of the year, as I get to meet many of you and see your passion for the arts come to life.

Additionally, we will be hosting a Volunteer Appreciation event before our Annual Meeting this year to recognize the impact that many of you make to keep the Arts Center afloat. To those of you who cannot attend this event, I want to personally thank you for your contributions to the Arts Center. We truly could not succeed without every minute of your time – so for that, thank you!

Lastly, I would like to recognize the tremendous work of the Arts Center staff. This team is small, but mighty, and makes the Arts Center a special place for many in our community. Their efforts often go unrecognized, but I speak on behalf of the board when I say that their dedication is honorable, and they truly promote the mission of the Arts Center by *enriching the Jamestown area community through the arts*.

Best Wishes,

Riley Akervik  
President – JFAA Board of Directors

# Community Classes

## Friday Fun Night: Pottery Painting with Pals

May 2, 16, 30, June 13, July 25, August 22 | 6:00 - 9:00pm | Price Varies

Choose from a variety of prefabricated ceramic pieces—everything from figurines to lidded pots—and enjoy a hands-on painting experience. Use acrylic paints for a project you can take home the same day, or paint with food-safe, super shiny pottery glaze and pick up your kiln-fired creation in about a week.

## Buffalo Cyanotypes

May 3 | 1:00 - 3:00pm | Free

Cyanotype is a slow-reacting, photographic printing formulation sensitive to a limited near-ultraviolet and blue light spectrum. In collaboration with the North American Bison Discovery Center, JFAA will conduct a cyanotype workshop to help creatively identify the local plant species Bison need to survive.

\*Class takes place at the NABDC (500 17th St SE, Jamestown)

## Plein Air: Intro to Making Art Outside

May 17 or June 7 | 1:00 - 3:00pm | \$20

In this class, Artist Cole Carpenter will walk you through the basics of making art in "Plein Air" focusing on simple watercolor and drawing practices. Participants will learn about material preparation, selecting a composition, and of course basic drawing and painting techniques.

## 2nd Annual Juneteenth Celebration

June 12 | 5:00 - 9:00pm | Hansen Arts Park

The Arts Center is proud to host the 2nd annual Juneteenth Celebration in the Arts Park! Crafted as an immersive experience, the 2nd Annual Jamestown Juneteenth aims to educate about Black historical roots and celebrate Black culture, following the legacy of a "family reunion."

## Stain Glass Garden Block

July 16 | 6:00 - 9:00pm | \$30 (Only 12 spots available)

Artist Joleen Reiland-Lorenz will guide you through creating your own Stain Glass Garden Block. A delightful sculpture perfect for your garden or home.



# Community Classes

## Wheel Throwing with Anna Brock

August 29 | 6:00pm - 9:00pm | \$60/\$48 for Members

Discover the art of wheel throwing in this hands-on pottery class! Guided by an experienced instructor, participants will learn the basics of centering, shaping, and trimming clay to create functional pieces like bowls and cups. Whether you're new to pottery or looking to refine your skills, this class offers a fun, creative experience for all levels in a welcoming, supportive environment.

## Print Making with Eric Johnson

June 5 | 6:00 - 8:00pm | \$50/\$40 for Members

Learn the reduction-relief printing process from master printmaker Eric Johnson. Join us for a hands-on exploration of relief printmaking, one of the oldest and most satisfying forms of print art. In this beginner-friendly workshop, you'll learn how to design, carve, and print your own unique artwork.

## New Class Registration: Sawyer

Time for an upgrade! The Jamestown Fine Arts Association is changing its class registration software to Sawyer. An easier, more streamlined way to find classes, update memberships, and request reservations/parties. Create an account now and get a head start on your Summer planning! Of course you can still register the old fashioned way by giving us a call or paying us a visit.

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# Kids Programming

## SUMMER PROGRAMMING

Register online today at [JamestownArts.com](http://JamestownArts.com).

### June 2 - 5: Lego Robotics Design Camp

10:00am - 12:00pm | Grades 2nd - 4th | \$80/\$64 for Members

1:00pm - 3:00pm | Grades 5th - 8th | \$80/\$64 for Members

Calling all young engineers and builders! Dive into a world of imagination and innovation with our one-week Lego Design camp. Get ready to unleash your creativity as you learn the art of designing and constructing Lego Robot models. Throughout the week, students will immerse themselves in the design process, mastering the skills needed to bring their ideas to life. Join us for a week of hands-on fun and discovery – where every brick is a building block to endless possibilities!

### June 9 - 12: Upcycled Clothing with Linda Roesch

9:00am - 10:30am | Grades K - 2nd | \$80/\$64 for Members

11:00am - 12:30pm | Grades 3rd - 6th | \$80/\$64 for Members

1:00pm - 3:00pm | Grades 6th - 9th | \$80/\$64 for Members

Paint, patch, dye, and reconstruct old clothing into something totally new! This course is designed to teach participants how to “work with what you have” when it comes to refreshing your look.

### June 16 - 19: Art and Science with Anna Brock

9:00am - 10:30am | Grades K - 2nd | \$80/\$64 for Members

11:00am - 12:30pm | Grades 3rd - 6th | \$80/\$64 for Members

1:00pm - 3:00pm | Grades 6th - 9th | \$80/\$64 for Members

In this summer camp students will perform science experiments that result in works of art. Simple chemistry, physics, and biology will be combined with the arts to create fantastic art pieces.

### June 23 - 26: Recycled Art with Sam Lokemoen and Krista Kruize

9:00am - 10:30am | Grades K - 2nd | \$80/\$64 for Members

11:00am - 12:30pm | Grades 3rd - 6th | \$80/\$64 for Members

1:00pm - 3:00pm | Grades 6th - 9th | \$80/\$64 for Members

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle! Put your creativity to the test and create fantastical artworks from repurposed objects. Join local Artists Samantha Lokemoen and Krista Kruize in this week-long adventure in alternative sculptural practice. A perfect class for any kids who like to turn your “trash” into creative projects.



# Kids Programming

## SUMMER PROGRAMMING

Register online today at [JamestownArts.com](http://JamestownArts.com).

### June 30 - July 3: Polymer Clay Jewelry making with Dawn 'Siggy' Sigfusson

10:00am - 12:00pm | Grades 2nd - 4th | \$80/\$64 for Members

1:00pm - 3:00pm | Grades 5th - 9th | \$80/\$64 for Members

Make one of a kind accessories for you and your friends in the Polymer clay Jewelry course! Each student will leave with their own custom-made accessories, as well as a working knowledge of the tools, techniques, and supplies needed to keep making polymer jewelry at home!

### July 7 - 10: Street Art with Linda Roesch

9:00am - 10:30am | Grades K - 2nd | \$80/\$64 for Members

11:00am - 12:30pm | Grades 3rd - 6th | \$80/\$64 for Members

1:00pm - 3:00pm | Grades 6th - 9th | \$80/\$64 for Members

Art for everyone! Join muralist Linda Roesch in an exploration of pop-up public artwork. Using Sidewalk Chalk, Window paint, and other temporary media, young artists will create their own "Street Art" to beautify the Arts Center, Arts Park, and more. \*This course will mostly take place outdoors, be sure to apply sunscreen to your artists before drop-off.

### July 14 - 25: Summer Musical - Willy Wonka

9:00am - 3:00pm | Grades 3rd - 12th | \$175 (\$100 for addn'l children in family)

Join us for our annual Summer Musical in collaboration with Two Rivers Performing Arts School. This year's production: Willy Wonka Jr! **Auditions will be held at The Art Center on May 15th and 16th.** Contact Mark at [tworiversarts@gmail.com](mailto:tworiversarts@gmail.com) for more information. *Director Rebekah Drahosh, Producer/Music Director: Mark Reeves*

### July 28 - 31: Plein Air with Sam Lokemoen and Krista Kruize

9:00am - 10:30am | Grades K - 2nd | \$80/\$64 for Members

11:00am - 12:30pm | Grades 3rd - 6th | \$80/\$64 for Members

1:00pm - 3:00pm | Grades 6th - 8th | \$80/\$64 for Members

Take your Art outside! Whether you're in the mountains or in a bustling city you never know when inspiration will strike. Learn what it takes to make art work wherever you may find yourself. \*This course will mostly take place outdoors, be sure to apply sunscreen to your artists before drop-off.

### August 4 - 7: World Building with Anna Brock

9:00am - 10:30am | Grades K - 2nd | \$80/\$64 for Members

11:00am - 12:30pm | Grades 3rd - 6th | \$80/\$64 for Members

1:00pm - 3:00pm | Grades 6th - 9th | \$80/\$64 for Members

In this summer camp we will build a miniature world from various materials and techniques. Unlock your creativity and make a magical world full of dragons and fairies, or anything else that inspires you!

### August 4 - 7: Photography with Kilynn Taksony

10:00am - 12:00pm | Grades 2nd - 4th | \$80/\$64 for Members

1:00pm - 3:00pm | Grades 5th - 9th | \$80/\$64 for Members

In this summer camp, kids will learn the fundamentals of photography through fun activities that will encourage the artists to think creatively. Come learn about terms such as aperture, shutter speed, ISO, and all of the elements needed to capture a unique and creative image.

# Now Hiring!

## Artist in Residence for 26-27 Academic Year

Know an Artist looking for work? Do they have passion for community building? Send them Our way! The Art Center is looking for the next Artist in Residence, a creative and caring individual to bring the arts to learners of all ages.

### Overview:

The JFAA's Artist in Residence (AIR) program has been in existence since 1982. The program is designed to bring professional artists to the Arts Center to live, work, teach and share their talents with Jamestown's youth and adults.

The Art Center is now accepting applications for the 2026-2027 academic year (June to June). Artists will be contracted for one academic year at a time.

The Stipend for teaching both Arts After School (AAS) and Arts in the Schools (AIR) is \$25 per hour. In addition, the artist is provided a furnished apartment with studio space to live in free of charge during their residency.

\*The living provision is only an option if the artist chooses to stay "on-site" in the Arts Center studio-apartment. If the artist decides to live elsewhere during their stay, the cost of housing is their responsibility.

### Responsibilities:

- Teach AIR program from August – May in area schools. This includes Jamestown Public Schools (Roosevelt, Gussner, Lincoln, Louis L'Amour) and St. John's Academy. Occasionally the AIR will service rural stutsman county schools as well (Kensal, Montpelier, Medina).
- For AIR, the artist is expected to arrive in the classrooms prepared for the sessions.
- Teach a minimum of 5 weeks of Arts After School Program (AAS) per semester for students in grades 3-6 at the Arts Center.
- The Artist may also teach additional classes for adults through The Arts Center.

### Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree (Preferably in Fine Arts/ Education)
- Teaching Experience 1-2 years teaching experience
- Valid Driver's Licence
- Ability to pass a background check

### Application:

Please send a Cover Letter, Resume, Artist Statement, and a Portfolio containing 10-20 images of your work by December 31, 2025 to:

Digital: [ccarpenter@jamestownarts.com](mailto:ccarpenter@jamestownarts.com)

### Physical:

Jamestown Fine Arts Association  
115 2nd st SW  
Jamestown ND, 58401



# Downtown Arts Market

THURSDAYS | JULY 10 - AUGUST 28 | 5:30 - 8:30PM

The Downtown Arts Market is a free community event held on Thursday evenings at the Hansen Arts Park. There are vendors, food and drinks, activities for adults and children all topped off with a free concert! See below for this list of bands playing this summer at the Downtown Arts Market. We hope to see you there!

## 2025 Band Schedule

July 10	Stick Ponies
July 17	Drift North
July 24	Blue Wailers with Late Start
July 31	Heather Rae with Payton Walker
August 7	Buffalo Alice Band (Rock) with Anne Carlsen Center Community Art Project
August 14	Kulm City Band with Top O' the Stairs Dance
August 21	Buffalo Alice (Country)
August 28	Back Porch Band

The Arts Center will make every effort to fulfill this schedule, but reserve the right to adjust without prior notification. In case of inclement weather this event will be canceled. Visit [JamestownArts.com](http://JamestownArts.com) for the latest updates. This event is made possible in part by support from corporate sponsorships, grants and personal donations.



## Thank You to our Sponsors:



# Happening Every Month



## Writers Club

**2nd Monday each Month | Hansen Studio | 6:30 pm**

Join us as we engage in conversation, ask questions, and share their writings – open for critique. Our goal is to help and encourage each other. All who are interested, published or unpublished, are welcome to attend the meetings, visit with the group and share their work. Contact Nancy Kuyendall at [nancyk57@att.net](mailto:nancyk57@att.net) for more information.



## Arts & Crafts Club

**3rd Saturday each Month | Hansen Studio | 9:00 am – 12:00 pm**

Meet other artisans and crafters and work on your projects in a social setting. Whatever your medium is (crocheting, knitting, sewing, painting, jewelry, stamping, scrapbooking, floral, etc.)



## Buffalo City Photo Club

**3rd Tuesday each Month | Hansen Studio | 6:30 pm**

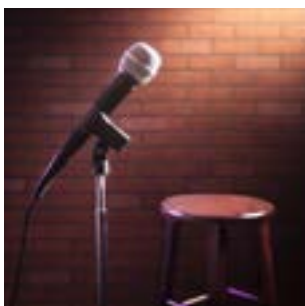
Join the local band of photo enthusiasts each month for a photography adventure. Topics are focused primarily for DSLR camera users. This club is free and open to anyone. In nicer weather we may venture outside for hands on experiences.



## Woodcarvers Group

**Every Thursday | Hansen Studio | 6:00 pm**

Stop by and whittle away with the Woodchippers club Thursday nights (expect holiday weeks). All skill levels are welcome. This group is always willing to share and advise in your success working with wood. It is free, no reservations are necessary.



## Open Mic Night

**3rd Thursday each Month | The Arts Center | 7:00 - 9:00 pm**

Poets, writers, musicians, comedians, solos, duos, and any performers are welcome to share their talent with the community at our monthly open mic night. PA system, bass amp, guitar amp, and music stands will be provided. Please limit your piece to 10 minutes. This event is FREE and open to the Public!

# Our Upcoming Exhibits

**Rob Anderson**

**July 31 - August 30, 2025**

Rob is primarily a printmaker who enjoys creating monoprint or monotypes using ink and acrylic paint on both watercolor paper and rice papers. At times he will use man-made found objects or organic objects picked up from the natural world to create texture and shape in his artwork. He believes texture and shape, along with color, are the most important elements.



*Rob Anderson*

**DeCoteau-Dyess, Schrupp and Whitney**

**September 4 - October 18, 2025**

A group exhibition featuring three profound North Dakota artists. Using imagery inspired by the lives of the people indigenous to the northern plains, these three artists explore the complexity and beauty of local histories.

## Perfectly PAIRED

May 1, 2025

Join us as we open our NEW exhibits in style!

Perfectly Paired is a wonderful fine arts experience coupled with featured spirits.

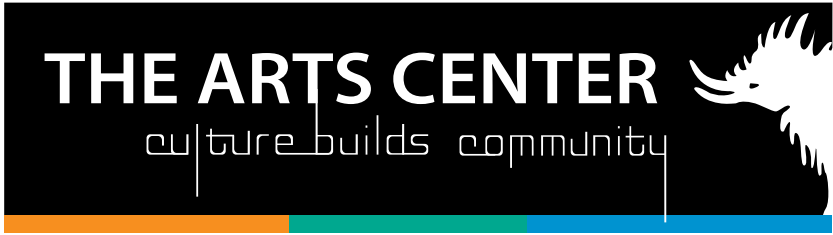
These events takes place on the opening nights of our new exhibits at 7:00pm.

Reserve your tickets online at [JamestownArts.com](http://JamestownArts.com) or call the office at 701-251-2496.

**Sponsors:**

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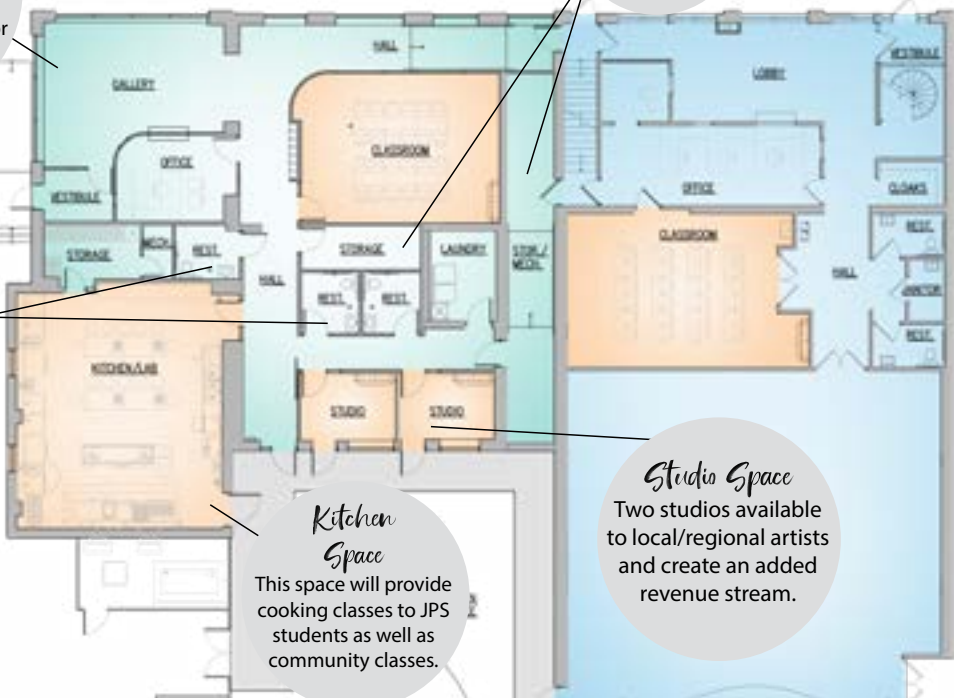
*The Arts Center activities are supported in part by a grant from the North Dakota Council on the Arts, which receives funding from the state legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts.*

# Expansion Floorplan

**Community Space**  
 Additional space is still in the idea phase. Potential ideas include seasonal displays, a selling place for local artists, and a small corner bistro.

**Expanded Storage**  
 More classes = more supplies.

**Additional Bathroom Facilities**  
 Kid-friendly facilities that can also accommodate spillover from main-building events.



**Kitchen Space**  
 This space will provide cooking classes to JPS students as well as community classes.

**Studio Space**  
 Two studios available to local/regional artists and create an added revenue stream.

Please visit [jamestownarts.com](http://jamestownarts.com) to learn more, follow the progress and donate.

Or just scan the QR Code to support this effort. And, remember any amount helps. Thank you in advance!

