

Sept - Dec 2026

The Arts Center

62nd Annual Art Show

August 27th - October 3rd

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Join us for next Perfectly Paired on October 8 at 7:00pm for the opening of Doug Pfliger "Fowl Play: Cause & Blame".

This Perfectly Paired event is a fine arts gallery experience coupled with wine & delightful tastings and a viewing of our newest exhibit!

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

One of Jamestown's longest-standing artistic traditions returns this fall as the 62nd Annual Jamestown Fine Arts Association Art Show opens at The Arts Center on August 27. Running through October 3, the exhibition celebrates the creativity and talent of artists from across the region with an inspiring collection of original works in painting, photography, sculpture, ceramics, fibers, printmaking, mixed media, drawing, and more.

Join us for the Opening Reception on Thursday, August 27, from 6:00–9:00 p.m., where you'll have the opportunity to meet artists, celebrate this year's exhibition, and see the award winners announced. This year's show will be juried by Sarita Talusani Keller, Ann Simpson Artmobile Educator at the University of Wyoming Art Museum, whose passion for community engagement through the arts brings a unique perspective to this year's awards.

Whether you're an artist, an art enthusiast, or simply looking for an inspiring evening, we invite you to experience this annual celebration of creativity and discover the incredible talent found throughout our region.



2025 Best in Show
Deer Season
Laurie Leatsch
Textile Fabric



NEWS FROM OUR DIRECTOR

New Programs and Opportunities at The Arts Center

It is hard to believe students are already back in school for the 2026–2027 school year. As the new season begins, we at The Arts Center are excited to welcome students, families, artists, and community members through our doors.

Our team has worked hard to plan an exciting series of programs for the months ahead, including Arts After School, culinary classes, and a variety of adult and family classes. These offerings are designed to inspire creativity, encourage learning, and provide meaningful opportunities for people of all ages to connect through the arts. We are also thrilled to welcome our new Artist in Residence, Lindsey Reyes. We look forward to the creativity, experience, and fresh perspective Lindsey will bring to The Arts Center and to our community.

With the addition of a new classroom and culinary kitchen, we are able to offer more classes and experiences than ever before. These expanded spaces allow us to provide additional opportunities for community members to explore their interests, develop new skills, and enjoy time together in a welcoming environment.

I encourage you to consider becoming a member of The Arts Center. Members receive a discount on class registration through their membership code, making it even easier to take advantage of our growing schedule of programs.

Visit jamestownarts.com to learn more and become a member.

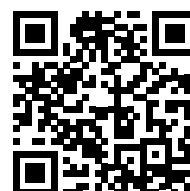
My sincere appreciation goes to everyone who has supported The Arts Center and helped make these new opportunities possible. We are grateful for your continued encouragement, participation, and belief in the importance of the arts in our community. I look forward to seeing you at The Arts Center this season.



Mindi Schmitz

"Membership is more than a donation. Members are the backbone of The Arts Center—our ambassadors, advocates and supporters. They help keep our doors open, our programs thriving and the arts accessible to our community."

Join today and enjoy exclusive member savings on classes!



Community Classes

Kinusaiga

September 9 | 6:00 - 9:00pm | \$60/48 Members

A Japanese textile art form that transforms fabric scraps into stunning, "no-sew" pictures resembling painted quilts of stained glass. Developed in the 1980s, it works by carving designs into a foam board and tucking fabric edges into the grooves, making it a perfect eco-friendly craft.

Crazy Animal Mosaics

September 23 | 6:00 - 9:00pm | \$70/56 Members

Let your imagination soar while creating a fun, whimsical mixed media mosaic animal. The crazier, the better!

Lace Painting

October 7 | 6:00 - 9:00pm | \$50/\$40 Members

Using a lace-covered canvas, create your own beautiful flower garden that will last year-round.

Broken Vertical Wall Planter

October 21 | 6:00 - 9:00pm | \$70/56 Members

Create a fun and unique succulent wall planter using tile and broken dishware. (This could be a possible 2 day class. Create one day, grout the next.)

Ceramic Ornament Decorating

December 7 | 6:00 - 9:00pm | \$15

Looking for a new addition to the Christmas tree? Need an easy yet personalized gift for grandma? We've got you! On December 7th JFAA will host a drop-in ceramic ornament decorating session. Guests are welcome to glaze pre-made ornaments however they see fit. Projects will be fired in the kiln over the weekend and be available for pickup the following Monday. All Ages welcome! *Parent supervision required for children under the age of 12

New Program - Open Sketch Night

September 1 | 6:00 - 9:00pm | Free (Donations Welcome)

Spots Limited - Sign up online to reserve a seat

Looking to practice some observational drawing but don't want to go through the trouble of setting up your own still life? Maybe you're a practiced sketch artist hoping to meet more skilled artisans? Or maybe you just like to draw and need something to get you out of the house on a Tuesday night? Join us on the first Tuesday of every month for an Open Drawing Session!

Each session will feature a new set up and a new "challenge" supplied by JFAA. A "Challenge" may consist of creating their drawing using exclusively ballpoint pens, crayons, or unconventional drawing surfaces. Participants are free to opt out of a challenge if they choose. Participants are welcome to bring their own drawing tools to each session as well.

Open Sketch Night is not an "Intro to Drawing" course but more of an opportunity to practice what you might already know. For beginning drawing classes or more structured learning, keep an eye on our website for class updates.

Culinary Classes

Chef Showdown!

September 5 | 2:00PM | \$55/\$44 Member

Go up against the winner of our last chef showdown! Compete with a mystery box to see who can create the best dish!

Soup & Simple Bread

September 7, October 10, November 23, December 21 | 4:00PM | \$45/\$36 Member

Create creamy tomato-basil soup alongside homemade garden focaccia decorated with fresh herbs and colorful vegetables.

Oktoberfest Cooking

September 14, 26 | 4:00PM | \$50/\$40 Member

Celebrate Oktoberfest with traditional German Flammkuchen and make your own whole-grain mustard to take home.

Better Than Takeout

September 21, November 7, December 28 | 4:00PM | \$65/\$52 Member

Skip the takeout and learn to make crispy General Tso's chicken and savory vegetable lo mein from scratch.

Gnocchi Three Ways

September 28, October 19 | 4:00PM | \$60/\$48 Member

Make soft, pillowy potato gnocchi from scratch and pair it with three flavorful homemade sauces.

Egg Rolls & Dipping Sauces

October 3 | 3:00PM | \$60/\$48 Member

Learn to roll and cook crispy homemade egg rolls paired with flavorful dipping sauces made from scratch.

Indian Cooking

October 5 | 4:00PM | \$65/\$52 Member

Explore the bold flavors and aromatic spices of Indian cuisine while creating a delicious meal from scratch.

Pâte à Choux

October 12 | 4:00PM | \$45/\$36 Member

Master classic French pastry dough while creating delicate cream puffs filled with homemade pastry cream.

Surf & Turf Couples Night

October 17 | 3:00PM | \$195/\$146 Member (Prices are per couple)

Enjoy a special date night while preparing a restaurant-inspired surf-and-turf dinner together.

Culinary Classes

A Killer Dinner Party

October 24 | 4:00PM | \$65/\$52 Member

Create a hauntingly elegant three-course meal featuring spooky presentations and sophisticated Halloween flavors.

Homemade Ramen

November 2, December 5 | 4:00PM | \$60/\$48 Member

Build a comforting bowl of ramen from scratch with flavorful broth, seasoned chicken, jammy eggs, noodles, and fresh toppings.

Thanksgiving Remix

November 9 & 21 | 4:00PM | \$60/\$48 Member

Give Thanksgiving leftovers a delicious second life with crispy Thanksgiving egg rolls and cranberry-barbecue turkey flatbread.

Friendsgiving Appetizers

November 14 & 16 | 3:00 AND 4:00PM | \$60/\$48 Member

Create baked brie, savory butternut squash and caramelized onion flatbread, and a fresh fall harvest salad.

Pad Thai

December 2 | 4:00PM | \$65/\$52 Member

Explore the balance of sweet, salty, tangy, and savory flavors while creating authentic-style Pad Thai from scratch.

Merry Little Appetizers

December 7 & 12 | 3:00 AND 4:00PM | \$60/\$48 Member

Prepare festive Beef Wellington bites, cranberry-orange glazed meatballs, and a colorful Caprese candy-cane board.

Holiday Sides

December 14 & 19 | 3:00 AND 4:00PM | \$60/\$48 Member

Elevate your holiday table with five-cheese baked mac and cheese, sausage and apple stuffing, and a fresh holiday harvest salad.



Arts After School

Inspire your child's creativity after the school day ends! Arts After School is an enrichment program for students in grades 3–6 that encourages creativity, builds confidence, and develops problem-solving skills through hands-on art projects. Students will explore a variety of artistic mediums in a fun, supportive environment while making new friends and expressing their creativity. Register online today at JamestownArts.com, pre-registration required.

- Students in grades 3–6
- Classes held on school days from 3:15–5:00 p.m.
- After-school snack included
- Bus transportation provided within Jamestown city limits
- Scholarships available (case-by-case basis)

Ceramic Castles | August 24 - September 4 | \$120

"The princess is in another castle!" Learn the basics of handbuilding in this fantasy-inspired ceramics course. By the end of the course, students will walk away with their own handmade castle.

Needle Felting | September 7 - 18 | \$108

Draw, sculpt, and design with wool! Students will learn how to use felting needles to condense wool fibers into soft-sculptures. This workshop will cover the basics of needle felting, understanding barbed needles, angling, troubleshooting, and exploring additive and subtractive techniques.

Painting | September 21 - October 2 | \$120

Looking to level up your painting skills? Join us at the Art Center for an introduction to acrylic painting. All skill levels welcome!

Polymer Clay Dragons with Siggie | October 5 - 16 | \$108

"Do not meddle in the affairs of dragons, for you are crunchy and taste good with ketchup." This polymer clay dragon class teaches students how to sculpt custom fantasy dragons using basic shapes, armature foundations, and specialized texturing techniques.

Notans and Zentangles with Dina Laskowski | October 19 - 23 | \$60

Stay cool, calm, and collected with these meditative artmaking practices. Instructor Dina Laskowski will guide students through the art of Notans and Zentangles, exploring shape, space, contrast, line, and pattern!

Halloween Treats with Chef Jade | October 26 - 28 | \$60

It's Halloween week, and we're making spooky treats to celebrate! Join Chef Jade and create eerie and unconventional delectables.

Best Mug | November 16 - 25 | \$96

Looking for your new favorite mug? Led by local ceramicist Samantha Lokemoen, students will learn the basics of wheel throwing in the pursuit of crafting "the best mug". The perfect project for the upcoming holiday season!

Beginner Crafting with Siggie | November 30 - December 11 | \$120

What a busy time of year! With the holiday season swiftly approaching, it's a great time to wind down with some beginner-friendly crafting! Join artist "Siggie" Sigfussen as she guides students through a series of mixed media projects.

Now Hiring!

Artist in Residence for 27-28 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 in Fine Arts/ Education preferred but not necessary
- 1-2 years classroom experience preferred but not necessary
- 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 to:
Digital: ccarpenter@jamestownarts.com

Physical:

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

Step One Pre-K Programming

STEP ONE: PreK - 1ST GRADE

Step one is an adventure in early childhood education held on the first Saturday of each month. The purpose of Step One is to help practice fine motor skills and introduce young learners to interpreting visual language. Each session will start off with a reading from a children's book, followed by a guided crafting activity that utilizes the story as inspiration. Projects are developed for children ages 3 to 6. Register online today at JamestownArts.com.

SEPT 5: Shape Sculpture

10:00 - 11:00am OR 1:00-2:00pm | Ages 3 - 6 | \$10/\$8 Member (per child)

Young artists will explore geometric shapes through a fun sculpture project to build confidence in shape recognition.

OCT 3: Impressionist Pumpkins

10:00 - 11:00am OR 1:00-2:00pm | Ages 3 - 6 | \$10/\$8 Member (per child)

Students will create vibrant pumpkins, inspired by Van Gogh, while learning about line, texture, and overlapping painting techniques.

NOV 7: Leaf Texture

10:00 - 11:00am OR 1:00-2:00pm | Ages 3 - 6 | \$10/\$8 Member (per child)

Students will celebrate the colors of fall by creating textured leaf rubbings, exploring warm colors, overlapping, and texture-making techniques.

DEC 5: Winter Watercolor

10:00 - 11:00am OR 1:00-2:00pm | Ages 3 - 6 | \$10/\$8 Member (per child)

Artists will create beautiful winter tree paintings inspired by folk art, experimenting with watercolor techniques and patterns.



Second Saturday

SECOND SATURDAY: 1st - 5th GRADE

The Arts Center is proud to announce the return of "Second Saturdays," a program designed for grades 1st through 5th. On the Second Saturday of each month, The Arts Center will offer a class inspired by a yearly theme. This fall, we'll be exploring possible futures with projects inspired by Science Fiction. Seats are limited, so be sure to sign up at least 24 hours in advance! Register online today at JamestownArts.com.

Sept 12: Cinnamon "Spice" rolls

10:30am - 12:00pm OR 1:00-2:30pm | Grades 1 - 5 | \$15/\$12 Member (per child)

He who controls the Spice controls the universe." Join us in making fresh cinnamon rolls with a "Dune" themed twist!

OCT 10: Planetary Landscape Print

10:30am - 12:00pm OR 1:00-2:30pm | Grades 1 - 5 | \$15/\$12 Member (per child)

Capture a scenic extra-terrestrial view through the art of printmaking! Imagine new landscapes and learn a thing or two about the art of relief printmaking.

NOV 14: Recycled Robots

10:30am - 12:00pm OR 1:00-2:30pm | Grades 1 - 5 | \$15/\$12 Member (per child)

Create the perfect interstellar companion! In this class, participants will assemble their own robot sculpture with discarded materials.

DEC 12: Martian Plant Life

10:30am - 12:00pm OR 1:00-2:30pm | Grades 1 - 5 | \$15/\$12 Member (per child)

Ever wondered what a garden might look like on another planet? In this multi-media sculpting class, students will be creating their own alien plant specimens inspired by artist duo *Chiaozza*.

Spotlight: Call Me Shelly

September 15 | 7:00 - 8:00pm | \$15.74

Join us for a special screening of Dakota Spotlight: Call Me Shelly, a compelling documentary exploring the 1994 disappearance of Michele "Shelly" Julson from Bismarck, North Dakota. Based on the popular Dakota Spotlight podcast, the 46-minute film follows Shelly's family's decades-long search for answers and the enduring mystery surrounding her case. Produced by the Regional Emmy Award-winning filmmakers behind *The House on Sweet and Seventh*, this powerful documentary offers an unforgettable look at a story that continues to resonate more than 30 years later. Purchase tickets online at JamestownArts.com.



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 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.

Our Upcoming Exhibits

DOUG PFLIGER "FOWL PLAY: CAUSE & BLAME"

October 8th - November 7th

VIKTORIA LUBCHENKO: "PORTRAITS OF UNSPOKEN TRUTH"

November 12th - December 12th

Welcome Lindsey Reyes

Artist in Residence

Through drawing, painting, and printmaking, Lindsey Reyes explores the magic inherent in our world, how people interpret this magic through our stories and art, and the creation of art as a human act. As someone who has taught in different spaces, she has observed that people of all ages are afraid of making something less than perfect, which causes many to believe they can't make art.

Lindsey deeply believes that creating art isn't limited to only professionals, and enjoys engaging with students during any stage of their creative journeys.

She has taught students at Highpoint Center for Printmaking, Marine Mills Folk School, Everwood Farmstead, The Museum of Russian Art, and with Artistyear, an AmeriCorps program.



Lindsey Reyes
Artist in Residence 26-27

A festive Oktoberfest poster for The Arts Center. The background is a light orange diamond pattern. At the top, there are colorful pennant banners. In the center, a large beer mug with white foam is flanked by two wheat stalks. Below the mug, the word "Oktoberfest" is written in a large, stylized, white font with a brown outline. Underneath that, "FOOD, BEER & MUSIC" is written in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font. Below that, "HANSEN ARTS PARK" is written in a small, brown, sans-serif font. At the bottom, there are three main elements: on the left, "TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE" in blue; in the center, a circular badge with "SAT, 19TH SEPT" in white; and on the right, "MUST BE 21" in white. Large, golden-brown pretzels are on the left and right sides. The website "JAMESTOWNARTS.COM" is at the bottom right.

THE ARTS CENTER

Oktoberfest

FOOD, BEER & MUSIC

HANSEN ARTS PARK

4:30-7:30PM

SAT, 19TH SEPT

MUST BE 21

TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE

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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.



The Jamestown Fine Arts Association
Presents

The Art of Autumn

A fall luncheon benefiting the Jamestown Arts Center

WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 28
12:00PM - 1:30PM
Arts Center Gallery

TICKETS: \$55 PER PERSON

Join us for a soup, sandwich, & dessert luncheon featuring a coffee bar, Irish Raffle, Mug Pull, tours, and other fun fall themed activities.

Your ticket supports the Jamestown Fine Arts Center and programs like Arts After School. Guests will have the opportunity to "Sponsor an Artist" during the event.

Buy your ticket today!



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