

Saturday, March 30

Discussion

Art Educators Panel Discussion

3:30 pm to 4:30 • FREE • Commonweal Theatre

How do you identify talent? Can talent be taught? How should art school define “art”? Art teachers wrestle with these questions -- and more -- on a daily basis. Join regional arts educators as they discuss the challenges and rewards of teaching art. Panelists include:

- Preston Lawing -- Art Professor at St. Mary’s University
- Ben Moore -- Art Professor at Luther College
- Kate Elliot -- Art History Professor at Luther College
- Richard Merritt -- Art Professor at Luther College
- Abbey Potter -- Art Teacher at Chatfield High School

Artist Talk

Jamie Harper

6:15 • FREE • Commonweal Theatre

Winona-based artist Jamie Harper was commissioned by the Commonweal Theatre to create a painting in the style of Jackson Pollock for the production of *Bakersfield Mist*. Enjoy appetizers and drinks while Jamie talks about his process and takes questions from patrons.

Sunday, March 31

Discussion

Curators Panel Discussion

12:00 pm to 1:00 pm • FREE • St. Mane Theatre

While curators manage a vast spectrum of details in their gallery or museum, most noticeable is their work designing exhibitions, which includes selecting artists and choosing specific pieces. This panel of curators will discuss pertinent topics relating to the value of contemporary art vs traditional art, gender in the arts and what is the social value of art. Panel participants include:

- Robbie Brokken -- Gallery Director, Lanesboro Arts
- Dave Casey -- Curator, Minnesota Museum of Marine Art, Winona, MN
- Heather Lawrenz -- Visual Arts Manager, Northfield Arts Guild
- Sheila Dickinson -- Artistic Director, Rochester Art Center