



## OWATONNA ARTS CENTER



*A Place For  
Inspiration...*

Several visionary citizens saw the need to carry on the rich artistic traditions of the community and established the Owatonna Arts Center in 1974. The center is housed in a 1886 Romanesque building that was the administrative offices, food service, and employee apartments for the State School\*. The original board of the Owatonna Arts Center, together with community volunteers, transformed rooms and breathed new life and purpose into the building, creating a performance hall, galleries, and studios. The Sculpture Garden, designed by architect Brooks Cavin, was dedicated in July, 1979. It is the permanent home to a piece created by renowned Minnesota sculptor Paul Granlund.

The Owatonna Arts Center hosts exhibitions of professional regional artists, music ranging from chamber to folk, and offers a wide range of classes and workshops for both children and adults.

### OWATONNA ARTS CENTER

Operated by the Owatonna Arts Council  
a Non-Profit Corporation

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# Owatonna Arts Center

## A Place For...

## Benefits of the Arts

### Performances

Musical & Theatrical

### Exhibits

Local, emerging, and professional  
artists from the region.

### Workshops

Ceramic, metal, glass, print,  
drawing, and painting.

### Classes

Enriching and creative  
investigations in  
various media.

### Collections

WPA, OAC featured  
artists Stewart and Dane,  
Sculpture Garden  
visiting collections and more...

### Cultural

Cultural capital for generations  
to come.

### Economic

Eight to one return on community  
investment\*.

### Community

Enrich community life.

### Individual

Enrich the lives of  
individuals.

\*2003 Americans for the Arts

### Education

Provide creative classes and  
activities that engage people's  
curiosity and challenge them  
to grow.

# A Place for *Culture & Arts* of Owatonna

## Levels of Support

### Member

Basic Membership  
\$50

Full Time Student  
\$25

Contributing Member  
\$100 - \$249

Sustaining Member  
\$250 - \$499

### Donor

Patron  
\$500 - \$999

Benefactor  
\$1,000 - \$2,499

Cultural Advocate  
\$2,500 - \$4,999

Philanthropist  
\$5,000 - \$9,999

Leadership Circle  
\$10,000 & up

## Ways to Support

Join as a member

Provide financial support as a private, corporate, or foundation sponsor

Volunteer for the Friends of the Arts Center

Donate to the private OAC collection

Attend a fund-raising event

Support the Educational Scholarship Fund

Planned Giving to the OAC and / or the OAC Foundation

The Art Center's mission to continually enrich the Owatonna area would not be possible without the generous financial contribution of our supporters. As a non-profit 501(c)3 organization, the OAC relies solely on private sources for its existence.

## Vision...

In five years, the Owatonna Arts Center will be the gathering place for the arts community in Owatonna. We will offer an inviting and accessible space that reflects the diverse ages, cultures and interests of our community and welcomes a wide range of artistic voices and perspectives. We provide an artistic resource for families, students, and both emerging and established artists. We are a cultural beacon that attracts and serves people from our city and region by inviting them to explore, experience, and engage in unique and meaningful art experiences.

## Values...

### Accessibility

We create an environment, through our facility and programs, which invites and welcomes people of all abilities, cultures, ages and interests.

### Education

We provide creative classes and activities that engage people's curiosity and challenge them to grow.

### History

We respect our building's and our region's artistic history and provide an opportunity for the community to experience this history firsthand.

### Variety

We adapt our programs and services to serve a multi-disciplinary audience and to engage an increasingly diverse group of patrons.

### Art

We design our programs to educate and introduce our community to original, creative art experiences.

### Community

We participate in our community by connecting with other organizations and populations, and by providing a space for community members to gather and communicate.

## Mission...

To enrich the Owatonna area by engaging people in meaningful artistic experiences in a unique environment that fosters a sense of community.

## Engaging People in Artistic Experiences



## In a Unique Environment



## That fosters a Sense of Community

