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#### **Violins Of Hope**

5pm Sunday, September 14, 2025 Sharon Lynne Wilson Center

#### **Prairie Voices**

3pm Sunday, October 12, 2025 Oconomowoc Arts Center

#### **A Mostly Mozart Matinee**

2pm Wednesday, November 5, 2025 Sharon Lynne Wilson Center

#### **An American Christmas**

3pm Sunday, December 14, 2025 Oconomowoc Arts Center

#### **Out Of This World Janboree Concert**

2pm Sunday, January 25, 2026 St. Luke's Lutheran Church

#### **Gershwin And Friends**

3pm Sunday, March 22, 2026 Oconomowoc Arts Center

#### **New York Stories**

3pm Sunday, April 26, 2026 Oconomowoc Arts Center

OAC Tickets: 262-560-3172 | TheOAC.net SLWC Tickets: 262-781-9520 | wilson-center.com St. Luke's Tickets and general information at:

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www.**TheOAC**.net

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Can you believe this is my eighth season as the OAC director? Time really flies when you're having a blast!

Whether your interests lie in our Main Stage series, the intimate Cabaret Café performances, impactful Special Events, exciting Community Partner events, or the talents featured in the Oconomowoc Area School District shows and concerts, the OAC's

18th season has something sure to pique your curiosity. Plus, you can immerse yourself in art all year long with professional visual art exhibits in the OAC Lobby Art Gallery and student displays in the Imagine A Day Art Gallery.

A heartfelt thank you to all the performers, artists, patrons, donors, students, volunteers, teachers, and staff. Your hard work, passion, and commitment are what allow us to provide high-quality programming for this remarkable and vibrant community!

John Cramer Director, Oconomowoc Arts Center

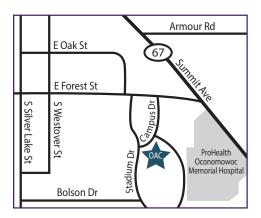






#### MISSION STATEMENT

The Oconomowoc Arts Center mission is to provide patrons and artists of all ages, a professional, cultural and educational experience with the highest quality programming opportunities possible.



The OAC is located at 641 East Forest Street and is part of the Oconomowoc High School campus. It is located in the south central part of Oconomowoc immediately west of ProHealth Oconomowoc Memorial Hospital, one block west of Summit Avenue (Hwy 67) which is the main north/south artery into the city.







## **On-Sale Dates**

Our July and August Community Partner Events are

# **On Sale Now**

Our OAC Main Stage Events, Cabaret Café Events, OASD Events, and some Community Partner Events will go on sale

# Monday, July 14, 2025

On-sale dates for OAC Special Events and the rest of the Community Partner Events are TBA. Christmas With Lorie Line will go on sale July 7, 2025. Contact the box office for more information.



The Box Office is located in the lobby of the Oconomowoc Arts Center at 641 East Forest Street, Oconomowoc, WI 53066. The OAC is adjacent to Oconomowoc High School and is just west of ProHealth Oconomowoc Memorial Hospital.

## **Box Office Hours**

Monday - 9am to 2pm

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday - 12pm to 5pm

Thursday - 4pm to 7pm

In addition, the box office is open 90 minutes prior to an event through intermission.

Box office hours are subject to the OASD schedule and additional open and closed hours may occur.

## Summer Hours:

Box office will be open Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from July 7 through August 31.

The box office will be closed June 23 through Sunday, July 6 for maintenance.

## Contact The OAC:

641 East Forest Street Oconomowoc, WI 53066 262-560-3172 info@TheOAC.net www.TheOAC.net

### Spotlight On The Arts

Sign up for our monthly ENewsletter, Spotlight On The Arts, and find out what's happening. Special offers and up to the minute details of events are just a few of the highlights. Contact the box office to be added to our distribution list.

#### Rent the OAC!

The Oconomowoc Arts Center is a perfect setting for business meetings, conferences, seminars as well as performances such as recitals, theatrical events, and guest speakers. Please call John Cramer at 262-560-2130 for more information and scheduling a tour.

### Volunteer Opportunities

Support the OAC by giving your time and talents. Become an usher, join a committee (gala, art gallery, garden, or programming), or help us with a special project. Contact the box office for more information or to join our team.

# Oconomowoc Arts Center Ticket Pricing Structure

Series	Regular	Groups (10 or more)	Seniors (60 and older) & Military Personnel	Youth (19 and younger)
Main Stage	\$39.00	\$33.00	\$34.00	\$18.00
Cabaret Café Show Only	\$39.00	\$33.00	\$34.00	\$18.00
Cabaret Café Meal	\$19.00	\$19.00	\$19.00	\$19.00
Oconomowoc High School	\$18.00	\$15.00	\$18.00	\$15.00
Nature Hill Intermediate	\$12.00	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$10.00
Silver Lake Intermediate	\$12.00	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$10.00

<sup>\*</sup>Patrons are discouraged from bringing any child younger than the age of 6. All patrons, including infants and toddlers, need a ticket.

For Community Partner Events and OAC Special Events ticket price information not listed above, visit www.TheOAC.net or call 262-560-3172.

All OASD concerts are free to the public and begin at 7pm (subject to change).

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### To Purchase Tickets

- In person during regular business hours and 90 minutes prior to curtain through intermission.
- Over the phone by calling 262-560-3172 during regular business hours and 90 minutes prior to curtain through intermission.
- Online at www.TheOAC.net, 24/7 (online sales close 90 minutes prior to curtain).

# **Ways to Save**

The OAC offers discounted tickets for seniors ages 60 and older, military personnel, and youth ages 19 and younger (including infants and toddlers) attending age-appropriate performances. We also offer group rates for groups of 10 or more patrons attending the same performance. These savings apply to OAC professional series shows and may not apply to district or community shows.

Call the box office at 262-560-3172 or visit www.TheOAC.net for more information.

## Payment/Processing

- In person at the box office: Visa, MasterCard, Discover, American Express, cash, and local checks accepted.
- Over the phone and online: Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express accepted.
- All service fees and taxes are included in the price of the ticket.
- Mailing your order requires an additional postage and handling fee of \$2.50. Place your tickets at will call
  or have an e-ticket emailed to you for FREE. The box office will not mail tickets less than one week prior to
  the event.
- Full payment is required on all orders. ALL SALES FINAL. Sorry, no refunds.
- Exchanges are permitted 48 hours prior to event time subject to availability. Exchange must be for a ticket for the current season, or converted to a aift certificate, or added as a credit on your account.
- Accessibility to the OAC is available to everyone. Patrons needing special seating or access should call ahead to 262-560-3172. The OAC will provide assistance.
- Hearing impaired patrons may have FREE access to the OAC's FM assisted listening system. Call the box
  office ahead of time to have one reserved.
- Hearing impaired patrons interested in signing services, and visually impaired patrons interested in
  audio descriptive services should call the box office at least four weeks prior to the performance to
  make arrangements. These services are FREE, but may not be available for all performances, subject to
  availability of professional providers.
- The OAC rarely cancels events due to weather related conditions.

# Putting Group Tickets On Hold

A group is defined by 10 or more patrons attending the same performance. If you are ordering tickets for a group and would like to have us hold your reservation for a later date, you may place the order with a 20% nonrefundable deposit or a nonrefundable order of 10 tickets (whichever is greater) based on the group rate ticket price and the total number of tickets you would like to put on hold. When finalizing your group order you may do so over the phone or in person no later than six weeks prior to the date of the event. This offer is not available online and applies to group sales only.

Holds do not apply to special events or any shows in the Little Theater.

Occasionally there may be a misprint within this program guide. We will make every effort to correct the error as soon as possible. We reserve the right to change program schedules as needed to accommodate demand or building use conflicts.

# **OAC** Info

No Food is permitted in the theaters except for beverages sold at the OAC concession stand, with the cap or cover on, or where allowed in the lobby area.

### Where Can I Sit?

All 759 seats in the Neudecker Main Stage Theater offer excellent views and acoustics. Our box office can be of service with any questions you may have.



The OAC is ADA compliant. We have a limited number of wheelchair accessible seats. Please let the box

office representative know that you will need accessible seating at the time of purchase. Our circle driveway allows easy drop off and parking that is next to the front entrance. Wheelchair accessible doors and no steps to the front doors make entering and exiting simple. A gradual slope in the theater allows for easy and safe admittance.

The Little Theater is also ADA compliant. Since this space is used for a variety of different set ups from general seating to a cabaret theater, the number of seats depends on the type of show. Again, the box office can answer any questions or aid you with accessibility concerns.

### When to Arrive

It is recommended that patrons arrive approximately 20 minutes prior to the start of a performance. This allows for time to park, check your coat (a free service at the OAC), use the restroom, and find your seat without feeling rushed.

## Late Arrivals

To be respectful of both the performers and other audience members, anyone arriving after the performance has begun will be seated only at a suitable break in the show, as determined by house management. Initially, latecomers may be seated at the back of the theater and may not be allowed to move to their assigned seats until intermission.

Seat selection may not be available for patrons purchasing tickets ½ hour prior to performances, and is at the discretion of the box office.

## Bringing Children

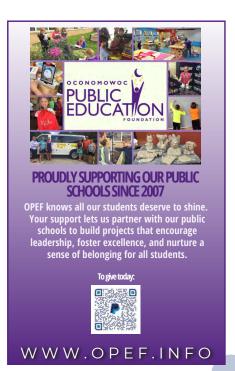
Patrons are discouraged from bringing any child younger than the age of 6 to performances, unless that particular performance is geared toward or appropriate for younger audiences.

Parents are encouraged to contact the box office for information about the appropriateness of a given performance for younger children.

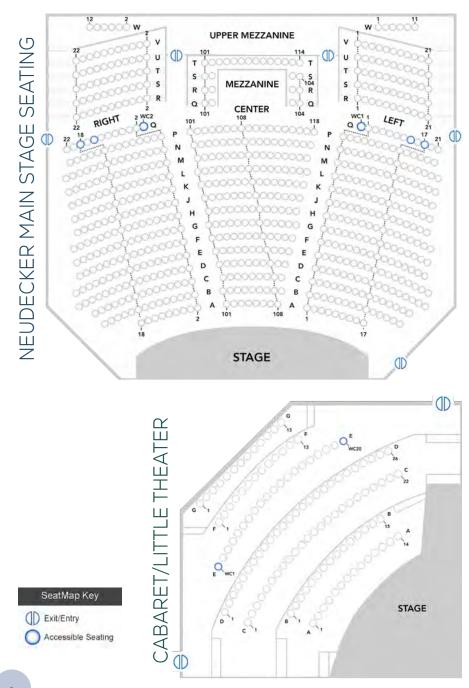
Booster seats are available. Check with an usher for assistance, first come, first served.

# IF YOUR CHILDREN ATTEND A PERFORMANCE WITH YOU, A TICKET WILL NEED TO BE PURCHASED FOR THEM.

This includes children of all ages, including infants and toddlers. PLEASE NOTE: Parents are responsible to supervise their children when in the theater and lobby. If your child is being disruptive or causing a distraction, please take them to the lobby and continue to enjoy the performance on the lobby monitor.



# Seating



# Welcome

# to the Oconomowoc Area School District

In the Oconomowoc Area School District, the arts play a significant role in building and maintaining our vibrant schools and community. Investing in strong arts programs for our students and extending that investment into the community through the Oconomowoc Arts Center is just one of the ways we are working to become an unrivaled school district.

Through participation in the arts, our students learn about problem solving, effective communication in a group, creative and critical thinking skills, and develop a sense of belonging and connection. Knowing that the arts bring added value to learning and community, our district offers a wide range of opportunities to learn about and be involved in performance and visual arts.

Our curriculum includes art and music experiences beginning in 4K and continuing through grade 12.

At our intermediate schools and Oconomowoc High School, students can select classes or clubs in the performing arts, a variety of bands, choirs, orchestras, and a wide range of visual and design arts. Musicals and theatrical productions are annual mainstays at our intermediate schools and high school and our students at these levels hold their performances at the Oconomowoc Arts Center. We're proud that the exploration of the arts available to our OASD students can pave a path to lifetime participation in community arts or the pursuit of excellence in professional work.

We thank each participant, patron, and supporter of the Oconomowoc Arts Center for embracing the arts and the vibrancy and enrichment they bring to our community.







### Oliver!

#### • Community Partner Event | July 18-20, 2025

The Oconomowoc Community Theatre brings Lionel Bart's timeless musical, Oliver! to life on stage. Based on Charles Dickens' "Oliver Twist," the story follows the young, orphaned Oliver as he navigates London's treacherous underworld, seeking a home, a family, and above all, love. Featuring exuberant, enduring songs like "As Long As He Needs Me," "Food, Glorious Food," and "Where Is Love," this community production includes a multi-generational cast and promises to astound and leave you humming the tunes in the days that follow.



Audiences can expect simulated violence, the use of stage weapons, loud sound cues, theatrical haze, and strobe lights throughout the show. Additionally, there are two deaths portrayed - one onstage and one offstage. The carefully crafted scenes are suitable for younger viewers.

#### Tickets:

\$30 Regular | \$25 Senior (60 and older) | \$25 Military Personnel (with ID) \$20 Teen (13 to 19) | \$15 Child (12 and younger)

#### TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW!





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# JULY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
July 9am-2pm 12pm-5pn	Mondays n Tuesdays Thursdays	1	2	3	4 Independence	5
6	7 Imagine A Day Art Gallery ArtLinks Exhibit Opening	OAC Art Exhibit TBD	9	10	11	12
13	14 Tickets Go On Sale	15	16	17	18 Oliver! 7pm	19 Oliver! 2pm & 7pm
20 Oliver! 2pm	21 OHS Pit Orch	22	23 OHS Marching	0HS lozz 1	25 Gand Camp	26
27	28	<b>29</b>	30	31	nana camp	
		OHS Marching	g Band Camp			

# Calendar Event Color Key

**OAC Main Stage Series** 

OAC Cabaret Café Series

**OAC Special Events** 

**Community Partner Events** 

Holidays

OASD / OHS

NHI

SLI

**OAC Art Gallery** 

Imagine A Day Art Gallery

## Kids From Wisconsin: The Heat Is On

• Community Partner Event | August 16, 2025

The Kids From Wisconsin are returning to the OAC's Main Stage with a summer playlist of iconic and sun-drenched medleys, transporting the audience of all ages to lazy beach days, family road trips, backyard barbecues, and sing-along bonfires. Join us for throwbacks of Woodstock, 4th of July, summer movie blockbuster scores, warm sand beach tunes and so much more. The show features singer/dancer Theo Gall of Oconomowoc, and woodwinds instrumentalist, Ryan Keller of Delafield.



#### Tickets:

\$20 Regular | \$15 Seniors (ages 60 and older) | \$10 OASD Staff and Students

TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW!

# Cabaret Café



Back by popular demand, the Cabaret Café returns to the OAC. With meals served in the OAC lobby amidst the incredible visual art exhibit displayed in the OAC gallery, and performances in the Little Theater, audiences will be treated to an evening of amazing entertainment, paired with tantalizing dishes prepared by OASD Executive Chef Jeff Fliss.

Menus are listed with each show. Tickets can be purchased for the show only, or for the show with dinner.

Please note, this is **not** a buffet meal. The dinner purchase includes one serving each of the entrée, sides, dessert, and beverage. Should additional servings be desired, à la carte items are available for purchase. Audience members that do not purchase a dinner ticket can enjoy a dessert and/or a beverage by purchasing them à la carte.

# August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	<b>6</b> Theater Camp	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 The Heat Is On 7pm
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
31	25	26 Imagine A Day Art Gallery Donna Lexa Exhibit Opening	27	28	29	30



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### Two Of Us

#### • Main Stage Series | September 14, 2025

Our OAC audience just can't get enough of Jim Witter and his musical talents, so we've invited him back to our Main Stage with his brand new show! Jim is joined by Ian Tanner for Two Of Us featuring the hits of the greatest duos of all time, like Lennon and McCartney, The Everly Brothers, The Righteous Brothers, Seals and Crofts, Simon and Garfunkel, and many others. Songs like "Wake Up Little Susie" and "Unchained Melody" will have you reminiscing about "Where You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling" while sitting "On the Dock Of The



Bay" with "Mrs. Robinson" feeling that "Summer Breeze." Yeah - we went there!

#### Tickets:

\$39 Regular | \$34 Senior (60 and older) | \$34 Military Personnel (with ID) \$33 Group (10 or more) | \$18 Youth (19 and younger)

## I Can Go On Singing!

#### • Main Stage Series | September 20, 2025

It's June 1969 and a young, struggling songwriter is playing piano when iconic actress and singer Judy Garland walks into his bar in Brooklyn, NYC. What transpires is an evening of songs, touching stories, and a little soul-searching that helps them both discover their true destinies. Written, produced, and directed by former OAC director Michael Duncan, I Can Go On Singing! is composed by Terry Dillon, and stars local talent Kelly Clifton as Judy Garland, Johnny Rodgers as Roger Stevens, the up-and-coming singer-songwriter, and Doug Jarecki as Carl Slovak, the bartender.



#### Tickets:

\$39 Regular | \$34 Senior (60 and older) | \$34 Military Personnel (with ID) \$33 Group (10 or more) | \$18 Youth (19 and younger)

# Four Guyz In Dinner Jackets: Moments To Remember • Main Stage Series | September 25 - October 5, 2025

Four Guyz In Dinner Jackets bring their show Moments To Remember to the OAC's Main Stage for a retro-romp music celebration of the guy groups of the 1950s and early 1960s. Backed by their live band, Reginald T. Kurschner, Joe Fransee, Tommy Lueck, and Aaron Schmidt offer a finger snappin', hip shakin' revue, with favorite songs such as "Silhouettes" by The Rays, "Only You" and "The Great Pretender" by The Platters, "Sixteen Candles" by The Crests, "Sh'Boom" by The Crewcuts, "Blue Moon" by the Marcels and "Love Potion #9" by the Clovers. The audience will experience an intimate performance as they join the Guyz with seating on the OAC main stage, going back



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to the days of dances in the gym and snuggling at the drive-in.

# September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday	1 Labor Day	2 OASD First Day Of School	OAC Art Gallery Postcards From Oconomowoc Exhibit Opening	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<b>14</b> Two Of Us 2pm	15	16	17	18	OHS Homecoming	20 I Can Go On Singing! 3pm & 7pm
21	22	23	24	25 Moments To Remember 7pm	26 Moments To Remember 7pm	27 Moments To Remember 7pm
28 Moments To Remember 2pm	29	30		9am-2pr n-5pm Tuesdays, 4pm-7pr 90 minutes prior to cu	ICE HOURS  n Mondays  Wednesdays, &  n Thursdays  urtain through intermiss eptember 1	



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### The Wisconsin Philharmonic - Prairie Voices

Community Partner Event | October 12, 2025

Wisconsin composer William Neil, whose resplendent orchestration of Rachmaninov's "Suites For Two Pianos" began our 2023-24 season, here makes his own original debut, in a serene musical tribute to the beauty of the American prairie. Howard Hanson -- our great American romantic, born in late 19th-century Nebraska, of Swedish stock -- has always been best known by his Second, "Romantic" Symphony -- where we'll be joined in the ranks by young musicians from Brookfield's high schools! And Alex Chambers-Ozasky -- Madison-based cello star, and a first-desk cellist of our Maestro's La Crosse Symphony Orchestra -- will cut his own romantic figu



our Maestro's La Crosse Symphony Orchestra -- will cut his own romantic figure, in Robert Schumann's lyrical 19th-century masterpiece.

#### Tickets:

\$39 Regular | \$34 Senior (60 and older) | \$34 Military Personnel (with ID) \$33 Group (10 or more) | \$18 Youth (19 and younger)

# Girls Like Us: Barbra, Bette, And Bernadette • Cabaret Café Series | October 18-19, 2025

Ultimate divas of stage, screen, and popular music, Barbra, Bette, and Bernadette have made their mark from the Baths to Broadway and beyond! Cabaret favorites Laura Freeman, Beckie Menzie, and Marianne Murphy Orland of Girls Like Us bring the iconic music and lives of Barbra Streisand, Bette Midler, and Bernadette Peters with humor, history, and song.



#### Show Only Tickets:

\$39 Regular | \$34 Senior (60 and older) | \$34 Military Personnel (with ID) \$33 Group (10 or more) | \$18 Youth (19 and younger)

#### Add Dinner For \$19 | Menu:

Autumn salad with apples, craisins, and apple cider vinaigrette, Chicago style Italian beef with herb roasted red potatoes and green beans, diva dessert trio of chocolate truffle, pumpkin cheesecake, and caramel apple bar. Dinner option closes October 10

# October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9c 12pm-5pm Tue 4p 90	m-2pm Monday sdays, Wednesdo pm-7pm Thursday minutes prior to curtai through intermission	s ays, & Fridays s	1	Moments To Remember 7pm	Moments To Remember 7pm	4 Moments To Remember 7 pm
Moments To Remember 2pm	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 Prairie Voices 3pm	13	14	15	16	17	18 Barbra, Bette, & Bernadette 6pm Meal 7pm Show
19 Barbra, Bette, & Bernadette 1 pm Meal 2 pm Show	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 OHS / NHI / SLI Band Concert*	28 NHI / SLI Choir Concert With Tony Memmel*	29 OHS Band, Choir, And Orchestra Concert In OHS Field House	OAC TBD Art Gallery Exhibit Opening	31 Halloween	

<sup>\*</sup>All OASD concerts are free to the public and begin at 7pm (subject to change)

# Fiddler On The Roof

• OASD | Oconomowoc High School | November 14-22, 2025

The Oconomowoc High School Players present the beloved musical Fiddler On The Roof with music by Jerry Bock, lyrics by Sheldon Harnick, and book by Joseph Stein. Set in a Jewish community of a pre-revolutionary Russian village, the story centers on Tevye, a poor milkman, determined to find good husbands for his daughters, while also attempting to maintain his religious and cultural traditions as outside influences encroach upon



his family's lives. Audiences of all ages will enjoy iconic songs, including "Tradition," "If I Were A Rich Man," "Matchmaker, "Sunrise, Sunset," "Do You Love Me," and many more.

#### Tickets:

\$18 Regular | \$15 Group (10 or more) | \$15 Youth (ages 19 and younger)





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# November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
BOX OFFICE HOURS  9am-2pm Mondays   12pm-5pm Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Fridays   4pm-7pm Thursdays 90 minutes prior to curtain through intermission  Closed November 27 and 28								
2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
9	10	11	12	13	14 Fiddler On The Roof 7pm	15 Fiddler On The Roof 7pm		
16 Fiddler On The Roof 2pm	17	18	19	<b>20</b> Fiddler On The Roof OASD Staff & Student Show 4:00pm	21 Fiddler On The Roof 7pm	<b>22</b> Fiddler On The Roof 7pm		
23	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving	28 Thanksgiving Break	29		
30 Thanksgiving Break								
			NA					

### The Nutcracker

#### • Community Partner Event | December 5-7, 2025

Experience the magic of the holiday season with *The Nutcracker* at the Oconomowoc Arts Center - a cherished tradition in the Lake Country area! Featuring Artistic Director Eddy Bray's dynamic choreography, stunning set design, and the timeless score of Peter Tchaikovsky, this beloved ballet captivates audiences of all ages.



#### Tickets:

\$30 Adult | \$26 Youth (ages 5 to 19) | \$16 Child (ages 4 and younger)

# Blue Violin Candlelight Christmas Extravaganza

• Community Partner Event | December 11, 2025

Immerse yourself in a captivating, candlelit performance of both music and dance that blends the soulful voice of the violin with the songs of Christmas, creating an atmosphere of elegance, fascination, and mystique. Former first violinist of the Boston String Quartet, Blue Violin performs original music and covers utilizing loops and sequences to convey a multitude of sounds through a single violin. Described by the Boston Ballet as a "captivating violinist" the Blue Violin has shared the stage



as a "captivating violinist," the Blue Violin has shared the stage with John Mayer, Paul Simon, Jennifer Holliday, Giorgia Fumanti, Riverdance, and even Sesame Street!

#### Tickets:

\$42 Premium Experience | \$32 Standard Experience | \$57 VIP Experience \$99 Premium Family Four Pass | \$79 Standard Family Four Pass | \$129 VIP Family Four Pass \$15 Youth (ages 6 to 18) | FREE Children (ages 5 and younger)

## The Wisconsin Philharmonic - An American Christmas

• Community Partner Event | December 14, 2024

The ultimate American Christmas celebration with many of your favorite holiday gems, plus a new/old version of "Twas The Night Before Christmas" for narrator and orchestra -- from our Maestro, Alexander Platt, and Carroll University's brilliant new professor of music, Jeremiah Cawley. An array of our young choral singers makes this the perfect holiday celebration in Waukesha County. Always a sellout -- don't miss it!



#### Tickets:

\$39 Regular | \$34 Senior (60 and older) | \$34 Military Personnel (with ID) \$33 Group (10 or more) | \$18 Youth (19 and younger)

## Christmas With Lorie Line

• Community Partner Event | December 19, 2025

The tradition continues! Piano soloist Lorie Line returns to center stage with her concert grand piano and celebrates the Christmas season with faith-filled stories and the best-of-the-best holiday music in her 36th year of touring. As always, expect beautiful costumes, elegant piano arrangements, funny stories, and personal tender words that reflect the true meaning of Christmas.



Tickets (on sale July 7, 2025): \$70 Regular | \$65 Group (10 or more)

# December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	OAC Art Gallery WCAL Exhibit Opening	2	3	4	5 The Nutcracker 7pm	6 The Nutcracker 10am & 3pm
<b>7</b> The Nutcracker 2pm	8	9	10 OHS Concert Band, Symphonic Band, and Wind Symphony *	11 Blue Violin Candlelight Christmas Extravaganza 7pm	12	13
14 An American Christmas 3pm	OHS Orchestra Concert *	16	17 OHS Choir Concert *	18	19 Christmas With Lorie Line 7pm	20 Winter Break
21	22	23	24	25 Christmas Day	26	27
			Winter Break			
28	29	30	31	12pm-5pm T	X OFFICE HC Pam-2pm Mondo Tuesdays, Wednes 4pm-7pm Thursdo prior to curtain throug	ays days, & Fridays ays
	Winter	Break		Closed	December 20 th	rough 31

<sup>\*</sup> All OASD concerts are free to the public and begin at 7pm (subject to change)



# Damn Tall Buildings stoked to shake things up on the OAC's Main Stage

By Rebecca Seymour

"Damn Tall Buildings brings influences from outside the Appalachian Mountains to their sound, like rootsy rock and American musical theater, but express their original songs with banjo, fiddle, guitar, and bass."

— Bluegrass Today

With a distinctive sound that weaves heartfelt lyrics into masterful fiddle, guitar, and bass arrangements, Damn Tall Buildings takes the Oconomowoc Arts Center's Main Stage at 2pm Sunday, April 12, 2026.

Damn Tall Buildings is a celebrated folk-bluegrass band known for their soulful melodies and intricate instrumentals. Based in Brooklyn, Max Capistran (guitar, banjo, vocals), Sasha Dubyk (upright bass, vocals), and Avery Ballotta (fiddle, vocals), have spent over a decade honing their craft through dedicated touring and recording. Embodying a unique blend of Americana roots and contemporary finesse, their magnetic performances resonate deeply, leaving a lasting mark on audiences around the world. The trio first began playing together 13 years ago as students at Berklee College of Music, often honing harmonies and rhythmic riffs busking on the streets of Boston. Even their name pays homage to their roots in street performance.



"Damn Tall Buildings was inspired by a John Hartford song. We're all fans of this great songwriter and he wrote this song called 'In Tall Buildings' about a gentleman who cuts off his hair and goes to work in tall buildings. He got his start busking and we loved it so much we played on that," explained violin player and vocalist Avery Ballotta.







Since their busking days, they've made four albums: "Cure-All" in 2014, "Damn Tall Buildings" in 2015, "Don't Look Down" in 2019, and "Sleeping Dogs" in 2022. The trio moved from Newberry Street to Brooklyn in 2017, taking their unique blend of Americana roots and contemporary style along with them as they tour across the country.

From meeting enthusiastic audiences under tents at bluegrass festivals, to arts centers stages, a New York City rooftop, and a nonstop tour through the United Kingdom last April, the group welcomes audiences along their journey through vibrant, well-crafted music-making.

"Every audience has been different and we are always overwhelmed with the joy and love everyone opens up with. We find something to be happy with wherever we are ... there are little things that we could say we love about a bunch of different places. Good people are what keep us on the road. The connections we make restore our faith in humanity," said Ballotta.

Their Americana music blends roots, folk, country, blues, and bluegrass into a genre full of heart and storytelling. Damn Tall Buildings adopts that tradition and infuses it with their own Brooklyn-born energy and foot-stomping sound.

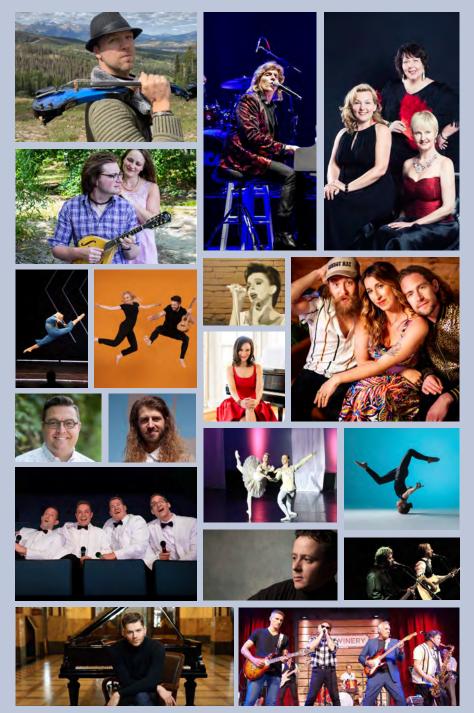
"We do bluegrass and old-time music and write our own songs. Bluegrass, folk, world, and a lot of recent stuff is groove-focused with a really nice pulse. We have a lot of fun exploring different types of music, but put it in the lens of this traditional type of string band. We also perform around one microphone, which is traditionally how it's done," added Ballotta.

For more information, visit www. damntallbuildings.com/ and www.youtube. com/c/damntallbuildings.





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# I Can Go On Singing!

# Original Judy Garland musical by Oconomowoc's own Michael Duncan

By Rebecca Seymour



"I must keep on singing, like a lark, going strong With my heart on the wings of a song, singing day!" - Judy Garland

It's June 1969 and a young, struggling songwriter is playing piano late in the evening when iconic actress and singer Judy Garland walks into his bar in Brooklyn, NYC. What transpires is a magical evening of songs, touching stories, and a little soul-searching that helps them both discover their true destinies.

Written, produced, and directed by former Oconomowoc Arts Center director Michael Duncan, *I Can Go on Singing!* will grace the OAC's Main Stage for its second run for two shows at 3pm and 7pm Saturday, September 20.

Presented by Duncan's Fiddlin'Theatricals Production Company, the musical is composed/ arranged by Terry Dillon, and stars well-known, local artists Kelly Clifton as Judy Garland, Johnny Rodgers as Roger Stevens - the up-andcoming singer-songwriter, and Doug Jarecki as Carl Slovak - the bartender.

"The idea for this show started more than 20 years ago. I saw a fun cabaret piece featuring a singer accompanied by piano. She did a wonderful job impersonating Judy Garland and I thought it could be a really great theatrical production," explained Duncan. "Judy had an amazing career, but she also experienced horrible situations throughout her life. I wanted to create something that dug deeper into her background and told her whole story."

He got to work researching and writing his script and then ... life happened. No stranger to the stage, Duncan has been directing, acting, writing, producing, and designing professionally for over 50 years. He is a member of Actors Equity Association, an emeritus member of the Wisconsin Presenters Network, and recently founded Fiddlin'Theatrical LLC in 2024.

Duncan also played a big part in helping the Oconomowoc Arts Center become a reality and was the multi-faceted arts facility's first director from 2008 to 2018.

"When I retired in 2018, I suddenly had more time on my hands to focus on my writing. I pulled out the script I had started in 2003, blew the dust off, and for the last five years have been updating, rewriting, and reshaping it," said the Oconomowoc resident. "What I truly love is storytelling and using music to help tell those stories. The theater, for me, is the place to do that."

Duncan teamed up with Wisconsin composer and arranger Terry Dillon for I Can Go on Singing! Dillon has been involved in more than 175 musical theater productions as music director, rehearsal pianist, and pit musician for public school, college, and community theater venues. He also spent several years traveling throughout the Midwest performing as a keyboardist with a variety of musical groups. He continues to perform, most notably the Ken Kilian music ensembles.

"The show is much more than a musical. Everyone will recognize the songs that Judy is famous for. Each song inspires touching stories woven in, allowing her to share about her life and some serious moments that happened," added Duncan. "Judy always worried that her life didn't mean anything and that she didn't make a difference. But as the evening unfolds, she and the other characters realize how full and rich her life truly was. The audience is going to love this show."

# Daybreak: The Music And Passion Of Barry Manilow

• Main Stage Series | January 10, 2026

Get ready to experience one of the most authentic Barry Manilow tribute acts ever to hit the music scene as veteran musician and accomplished pianist Joe Hite, backed by an eight-piece ensemble, brings to life timeless classics like "Mandy," "Can't Smile Without You" and the foot-stomping rhythm of "Copacabana," just to name a few. Barry Manilow had 13 number one hits on the Billboard charts, while The Eagles and Fleetwood Mac had a total of six combined! The nostalgic production promises to take the audience on a musical journey back to the 70s, while celebrating Barry



Manilow's hits in a way that is sure to keep his music alive for generations to come.

#### Tickets:

\$39 Regular | \$34 Senior (60 and older) | \$34 Military Personnel (with ID) \$33 Group (10 or more) | \$18 Youth (19 and younger)

## Studio One Dance Company Winter Showcase

• Community Partner Event | January 11, 2026

Studio One Dance Company presents a fun show for their students to share all they have learned during the fall classes. Ticket prices and on-sale date will be announced in late 2025.



## **OHS Student Directed Play**

• OASD | Oconomowoc High School | January 29-31, 2026

Two OHS Players, Olivia Carlson and Everett Gunja, take over the directorial reigns to select, cast, design, publicize, and ultimately direct their own theatrical production!

Over the course of the summer, fall, and winter of 2025 – these two talented seniors prepare by pouring over hundreds of plays in order to find the title that is a perfect fit for this traditional mid-winter favorite!

#### Tickets:

\$18 Regular (20 and older) | \$15 Group (10 or more) \$15 Youth (19 and younger)

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18	19 OAC Art Gallery PAAC Exhibit Opening	20	21	22	23	24	
25	26	27	28	29 OHS Student Directed 7 pm	30 OHS Student Directed Staff & Student Show 3:30pm OHS Student Directed 7pm	31 OHS Student Directed 2pm and 7pm	







## Disney's Frozen JR.

• OASD | Silver Lake Intermediate School | February 12-14, 2026

Disney's Frozen JR., based on the 2013 animated Disney film and 2018 Broadway musical, brings Elsa, Anna, a host of lovable characters, and the land of Arendelle to life on stage. Frozen JR. explores the powerful bond of sisterhood, the journey of discovering potential, and the quest we are all on to find acceptance within the world and ourselves. The show features all of the memorable



songs from the animated film, with music and lyrics by Kristen Anderson-Lopez and Robert Lopez, plus five new songs written for the Broadway production. This story, loaded with magic, adventure, and plenty of humor, is sure to thaw even the coldest heart!

#### Tickets:

\$12 Regular (ages 20 and older) | \$10 Group (10 or more) | \$10 Youth (ages 19 and younger)

## Disney's Moana JR.

• OASD | Nature Hill Intermediate School | February 26-28, 2026

Disney's Moana JR. is the story of Moana, a brave young woman who becomes a hero for her community. Whether it's the villagers she works hard to protect, the family she hopes to make proud, or the ancestors she strives to honor, Moana is motivated in everything she does by her selfless desire to help others. The musical is also a celebration of the cultures and peoples of the Pacific Islands, their shared history of ancient wayfinding and exploration. Audiences of all ages will enjoy the beloved Disney hits "How Far I'll Go," "We Kill the strength of t



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#### Tickets:

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# February

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8	9	10	SLI Frozen JR. School Shows	12 SLI Frozen JR. 7pm	13 SLI Frozen JR. 7pm	SLI Frozen JR. 2pm & 7pm Valentine's Day
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22	23 Imagine A Day Art Gallery NHI Art Exhibit Opening	24	25 NHI Moana JR. School Shows	26 NHI Moana JR. 7pm	27 NHI Moana JR. 7pm	28 NHI Moana JR. 2pm and 7pm

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<sup>\*</sup> All OASD concerts are free to the public and begin at 7 pm (subject to change)









# The Boston Imposters

• Cabaret Café | March 13-14, 2026

OHS alum Davey Harrison returns to the OAC's Cabaret Café with his wife Maire Clement as The Boston Imposters. The duo blends beautiful vocal harmonies, accompanied by acoustic guitar, mandolin, and banjo, to craft heartfelt original songs. Inspired by traditional, and contemporary American, English, and Celtic folk music, Davey and Marie write about their lives and experiences, inspired by the people who have been a part of their journey.



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Tossed salad greens with asparagus, radish, and egg with Gloucester cheese and creamy dressing, deconstructed shepherd's pie with Irish soda bread, and mint and chocolate grasshopper bars. Dinner option closes March 5

## The Heart Of Rock And Roll

• Main Stage Series | March 21, 2026

The Heart Of Rock And Roll is America's #1 tribute to 80s legends Huey Lewis And The News. The musical extravaganza brings the iconic band's infectious blend of rock, pop, blues, and soul to audiences of all ages. The show is a non-stop multimedia ride through all the band's biggest hits in a colorful and exciting concert complete with video, costume changes and engaging audience interaction. With unforgettable hits like "Hip To Be Square," "Stuck With You," "I Want A New Drug," and "The Power Of Love," the news is spreading across the nation and the message is clear ... The Heart Of Rock And Roll is still beating!



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# The Wisconsin Philharmonic - Gershwin And Friends!

• Community Partner Event | March 22, 2026

Join us as the Philharmonic gives its first performance in a decade of one of the most beloved of American masterpieces, George Gershwin's "Rhapsody In Blue" -- all surrounded by much of the great American popular music that Gershwin himself would have recognized. Jason Kutz, the young piano genius behind Madison's hottest Jazz ensemble, Mr. Chair, joins us as soloist for what promises to be an unforgettable event.



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# March

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## **OAC Annual Gala**

#### • OAC Special Event | April 18, 2026

Save The Date!

OAC's annual gala is not only a great opportunity to support the arts but it is also a super fine and excessively fun night! This year we will be celebrating at The Red Circle Inn in Nashota.





#### Tickets:

Contact the OAC for ticket information, including Early Bird discounts.







## The Wisconsin Philharmonic - New York Stories

#### • Community Partner Event | April 26, 2026

Concluding a year in which the Philharmonic celebrates great Wisconsin artists, we finally bring the world to Waukesha with Andrey Gugnin, one of the great young Russian pianists of our time, now residing in Western Europe and making his name on the international scene. He'll bring his extraordinary gifts to one of the very greatest of romantic Russian piano concertos -- given its world premiere, once upon a time, by no less than the New York Philharmonic. Juilliard School president William



Schuman, and Connecticut Yankee Charles Ives -- two of the very favorite American composers of Leonard Bernstein during his tenure as the Philharmonic's maestro -- bring our gloriously American season to a triumphant close.

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### **TTP Academy**

• Community Partner Event | May 2, 2026

A spectacular showcase of dances which includes classical ballet, pointe, jazz, tap, contemporary, hip hop and rhythms combo, all the way to our youngest Petite Feet ballet and tap combo classes. Ticket prices and on sale date will be announced in early 2026.



### Studio One Dance Company

● Community Partner Event | May 9, 2026

Studio One Dance Company presents their annual showcase and recital for students to share all they have learned over the year. Ticket prices and on sale date will be announced in early 2026.



### Luca Stricagnoli With Special Guest Meg Pfeiffer

• Main Stage Series | May 16, 2026

Born and raised in Italy, Luca Stricagnoli is an acoustic guitarist known for his unique style and innovative playing techniques. Using up to five guitars in the same piece, modified capos, and self-conceived stratagems, Luca brings an enthusiastic energy to the OAC's Main Stage. Joining him is singer-songwriter Meg Pfeiffer. The Nashville-based duo are multi-award-winning musicians and producers who have achieved international success performing all around the globe, and just happen to be married too!



#### Tickets:

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Shakespeare's Stage

• OASD | Oconomowoc High School | May 28-30, 2026

The OHS Players are planning Shakespeare's Stage using the high school's very own outdoor Shakespeare Theater. With a focus on the classics and William Shakespeare, the OHS Players will take their annual pilgrimage to American Players Theater in Spring Green in the Fall to see The Winter's Tale or A Midsummer Night's Dream or maybe both! The OHS Theater Department will also travel to London, England in Spring 2026! Students and staff will visit the storied home of Shakespeare in Strafford-upon-Avon and participate in a workshop and potential performances there. Stay tuned for more information about this unique theatrical experience!

#### Tickets:

\$18 Regular (ages 20 and older) | \$15 Group (10 or more) | \$15 Youth (ages 19 and younger)

# May

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3	4	5	6 OHS Choir Concert *	7	8	Studio One Dance Recital 1:30pm and 6pm
Mother's Day	11	12	13	14	15 OHS Concert Band, Symphonic Band, and Wind Symphony Concert	16 Luca Stricagnoli With Special Guest Meg Pfeiffer 7pm
17	OAC Art Gallery Color And Shade Serenade Exhibit Opening	19 OHS Orchestra Concert	20 OHS Choir Senior Honors Night *	21	22	<b>23</b>
24	25 Memorial Day	26	27	28 OHS Shakespeare's Stage 7pm	OHS Shakespeare's Stage 3:30pm & 7pm	OHS Shakespeare's Stage 2pm & 7pm
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May 15 schedule: 5:00 pm Concert Band and Symphonic Band
6:30 pm Band Awards
7:30 pm Wind Symphony

### MainStage Academy Of Dance

• Community Partner Event | June 7, 2026

Welcome to this unique show by MainStage Academy Of Dance, where precision, passion, and performance come together to create extraordinary dance experience. Ticket prices and on-sale date will be announced in early 2026.



### 5678 Dance! Studio

• Community Partner Event | June 18-20, 2025

5678 Dance! Studio, located here in Oconomowoc, proudly presents their annual show, filled with dancers ages three and older. They will showcase all they have learned and perfected during the year. Ticket prices and on-sale date will be announced in early 2026.



### **Elation Dance Center**

• Community Partner Event | June 27-28, 2025

Enjoy music and dancing from Elation Dance Center's dancers ages 2.5 to 18 in ballet, pointe, jazz, tap, contemporary, and hip-hop. Fun for the whole family! Ticket prices and on-sale date will be announced in early 2026.





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21 Father Day		23	24	25	26	<b>27</b> Elation Dance Recital 1 pm and 6pm
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# Celebrating the Soundtracks of Our Lives The OAC welcomes Barry Manilow and Huey Lewis And The News tribute bands to the Main Stage

By Rebecca Seymour

It's a well-known fact that the Oconomowoc Arts Center's audiences love tribute bands! We all have a special connection with performing artists whose music and culture influenced our lives. The Eagles, Fleetwood Mac, The Beach Boys, Cher, Neil Diamond, Billy Joel ... the list goes on and on. While experiencing our favorite bands perform their iconic music live might not always be a possibility, we're lucky there are tribute bands that are passionate about bridging the gap between nostalgia and an authentic live music experience.

"That's the beauty of tribute bands. Whether they impersonate the artist, or just play their music, these bands take us down a wonderful path of memories and make us smile, dance, cheer, and sing. We love them. We can't get enough of them. They deserve to be heard. That's why the OAC books several tributes every season. They rock," said OAC Director, John Cramer.

### Daybreak: The Music And Passion Of Barry Manilow

"Looks Like We Made It" to another New Year! Kick off 2026 with Daybreak: The Music and Passion of Barry Manilow at 7pm Saturday, January 10, on the OAC's Main Stage.

Barry Manilow recorded and released 51
Top 40 singles, including 13 that reached #1.
Considered by many to be one of the most
successful pop artists ever, Manilow became
an international star with a string of hits,
selling more than 75 million records over the
course of his career.

Get ready to experience one of the most authentic Barry Manilow tribute acts ever to hit the music scene as Wisconsin's own talented musician and accomplished pianist Joe Hite brings to life timeless classics like "Mandy", "It's A Miracle," "I Write The Songs," "Can't Smile Without You" and the upbeat, party rhythm of "Copacabana," just to name a few.





Daybreak features an eight-piece ensemble, including backup singers who double as dancers as they perform choreographed routines throughout the performance, complementing Joe's musical and vocal talents. This nostalgic production promises to take you on a musical journey back to the 70s, while celebrating Barry Manilow's hits in a way that is sure to keep his music alive for generations to come.

For more info, visit www. barrymanilowtributeband.com and www. facebook.com/BarryManilowTributeBand.

### The Heart Of Rock And Roll: Huey Lewis And The News Tribute

"A surreal experience. Their attention to detail, both vocally and every other way is astounding. Two thumbs way up."

- Sean Hopper, Huey Lewis And The News co-founder and keyboardist

Grab your friends and prove that it's still "Hip To Be Square" at 7pm Saturday, March 21, on the OAC's Main Stage. Since 2013, America's #1 tribute to 80s legends Huey Lewis And The News has been The Heart Of Rock And Roll. The musical extravaganza

brings the iconic band's infectious blend of rock, pop, blues and soul to audiences of all ages.

Starring Roger Langdon as the dynamic Huey Lewis, the show is a non-stop, multimedia ride through all the band's biggest hits in a colorful and exciting concert, complete with video, costume changes and engaging audience interaction.

"The show is a blast. The audience is going to hear great music by legit musicians who really love to perform Huey Lewis music. And because I look and sound like him, it's easy to make it authentic," said Langdon. "We have a genuine appreciation for the music and nobody does it better than us. Everyone is going to have a fantastic time."

With unforgettable hits like "Stuck With You," "Heart And Soul," "Back In Time," I Want A New Drug," and "The Power Of Love," the news is spreading across the nation and the message is clear ... The Heart Of Rock And Roll is still beating!

For more info, visit www.hueytribute.com and www.facebook.com/HueyTribute/



### **Visual Arts**

The OAC is proud to have a full season of visual arts programming. These events are open to the public, free of charge and available for viewing during regular box office hours, 90 minutes prior to show times, and while shows are in progress. Exhibits are located in the OAC lobby area, including both the north and south hallways. For more information, please call the box office at 262-560-3172.

### **OAC Lobby Art Gallery**

featuring local, regional, and national professional artists

Exhibit Dates Are Subject To Change

Call the OAC Box Office to confirm dates and times

Emerging Artists Exhibit
Artists:
Kai Davies, reflection of the self: embodied in ceramics
Hanna Holverson, The Heart Of Lake Country
July 8 to August 18, 2025





Postcards From Oconomowoc Artists: Anjl Rodee September 3 to November 17, 2025





Waukesha Creative Arts League
Artists: Waukesha Creative Arts League members
December 12, 2025 to January 5, 2026





Pewaukee Area Arts Council Artists: PAAC members January 19 to February 23, 2026





Oconomowoc High School IB / AP Student Exhibit Artists: OHS IB / AP Art Students March 9 to March 21, 2026





Wisconsin Regional Art Program (WRAP) Artists: Amateur artists from SE Wisconsin April 6 to May 16, 2026





Color And Shade Serenade Artists: Heidi Hallett, John Hallett, Anne Raskopf May 16 to June 28, 2026





### **Imagine A Day**

### Imagine A Day Art Gallery

featuring local student artists

Exhibit Dates Are Subject To Change

Call the OAC Box Office to confirm dates and times

ArtLinks Artists: ArtLinks / ACAP members July 8 to August 18, 2025

Donna Lexa Artists: Donna Lexa members August 25 to October 6, 2025

Oconomowoc High School Student Exhibit Artists: OHS Students October 20 to December 20, 2025

Silver Lake Intermediate Student Exhibit Artists: SLI Students January 8 to February 14, 2026

Nature Hill Intermediate Student Exhibit Artists: NHI Students February 17 to April 4, 2026

Artrageous Student Exhibit Artists: OASD Elementary School Students April 13 to May 19, 2026

Oconomowoc High School Student Exhibit Artists: OHS Students June 1 to June 28, 2026



















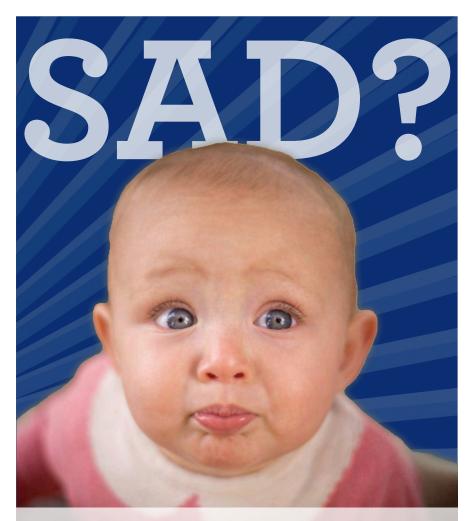












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All of our partners are also featured on the OAC's website at www.TheOAC.net with links to their own website, enjoying higher visibility and exposure to their business.

If interested, contact John Cramer at cramerj@oasd.org or 262-560-2130.

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Offering weekly specials, happy hour, live music, non-alcoholic craft cocktails, gluten-free items, and rooftop dining.

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