



November 2022 Newsletter

Introducing Eagan Art Festival: Behind the Scenes!

An occasional newsletter from the Eagan Art Festival Board of Directors with the goal of sharing behind the scenes glimpses with our supporters!



Giving thanks for our Executive Director!

Wanda Borman serves as the Executive Director for the Eagan Art Festival. Wanda has recently announced her resignation from her position effective the end of the year. With a strong board in place and surviving the wild ride of the pandemic, she feels it is time for her to see what new ventures await her! Let's find out more about her!

So how does an art festival happen? Usually there is an executive director, a board, committees, and volunteers - and our festival is no different!

Wanda, are you an artist yourself? I am a mixed media artist utilizing watercolor, acrylic and collage elements. I work on paper and on canvas with both realism and abstraction. Prior to the pandemic I was

teaching acrylic painting for seniors at the Eagan Art House. I am currently teaching private watercolor classes.

How long have you been with the EAF? 2022 was my 18th year as festival director. I like bringing an arts event to our community and enjoy working with artists and the public.

What other hats do you wear in Eagan? Currently I am on the Operations Team at Art Works working with studio artists, reservations, and the gallery in addition to my Eagan Art Festival position.

What kind of things do you have to troubleshoot during a festival? There are many facets to making the festival run smoothly. There are several permits, health department and electrical inspections, applications to be processed for artists and food vendors, project teams, entertainment to be booked etc. Onsite at the event anything can happen. We have had medical emergencies, shoplifting, equipment failures, tornadic winds - it can be a crazy weekend! In the end, connecting Art and Community is what the festival is all about no matter the conditions.

Give MN is Thursday, November 17, 2022



Join the board in supporting the Eagan Art Festival. This year the board donated \$600 to create a donation matching fund in honor of Wanda's tenure. We challenge you to donate so that we can reach our goal of \$3000 by the end of 2022. [Donate today!](#)

Applications open!

Are you interested in becoming involved as a member of the Board of Directors or applying for the Executive Director position? We would love to chat with you! Please contact our board President, Brenda Lyseng, at brenda@eaganartfestival.org. See the posting on our [website](#).

Update your calendar! Eagan Art Festival, June 26 and 27

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