

OFFICIAL FESTIVAL GUIDE

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Western Gateway Park

June 23 - 25, 2023

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Friday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Saturday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Juried Art Fair presented by Nationwide featuring 190 of the nation's best artists selected from a competitive jury process / Emerging Artists Program presented by Principal® / Community Outreach Program presented by MidAmerican Energy Company showcasing and supporting Central Iowa nonprofit organizations / The Billboard Mural Project Presented by Athene / Live music on the Hy-Vee Main Stage featuring The 502s, Sister Hazel and Satsang BOOM ART! presented by MidAmerican Energy Company / Roots Stage featuring Buffalo Nichols and Joshua Ray Walker / Silent Rivers Design + Build VIP Club / Over 600 volunteers sponsored by Polk County Board of Supervisors / Student Art Exhibition and Visionary Artists Ceremony presented by GreenState Credit Union / Interrobang Film Festival featuring 42 films from 10 countries / Green Arts Zero-Waste Sustainability Program / Artist demonstrations Interactive Arts Activities featuring Prairie Meadows Spin Art / Drag Brunch / Art Alley / Yoga in the Park / Wearable art at two Arts Festival Shops Wide variety of beverages from Exile Brewing Company, Gateway Market and craft beers from throughout Iowa / Eclectic food booths and food trucks

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Admission: FREE

Info: desmoinesartsfestival.org
info@desmoinesartsfestival.org

Disabled Access: The Festival grounds are handicap accessible. Wheelchairs are available for checkout on a first-come, first-served basis at Volunteer HQ.

Getting There: For a full list of options on how to reach and park at the Festival, including walking, riding your bike, taking DART, and more, visit: desmoinesartsfestival.org/gettingthere

Handicap Parking: Designated handicap parking is located on the north side of Walnut St, between 12th St & 13th St. Parking is limited & on a first-come, first-served basis.

\$\$\$: The Arts Festival has gone cashless! This means that the Festival Stores (Official Festival Merchandise), and all Food & Beverage locations accept touchless pay or credit/debit card only.

Media: Colleen Murphy at cmurphy@desmoinesartsfestival.org

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Calling all volunteers!

Volunteers are a vital part of the Festival every year and we could not execute an award-winning Festival of this magnitude with YOUR help. There is still time to contribute your talent to the success of the Festival by signing up today to volunteer for a variety of jobs and shifts at desmoinesartsfestival.org/volunteer.

All volunteers will receive a volunteer t-shirt to wear during their shift(s), and a free beer coupon from Exile Brewing Company (21+ only).

Policies

For the safety and enjoyment of all attendees, the Festival has established the following policies:

- » Please respect the original work of the artists - ask before snapping a photo.
- » No outside beverages are allowed within the Festival site. For safety reasons, glass bottles are prohibited within the Festival site. Revenue from Festival sanctioned on-site beverage sales assists the DMAF in remaining an admission-free event. Proceeds also benefit our many non-profit vending partners' important community programs. Please purchase your food and beverages from one of the Festival vendors.
- » Alcoholic beverages are sold within the Festival site to patrons 21-years and older presenting valid identification. State laws and regulations require that alcoholic beverages purchased at the Festival remain on-site. On-site security will ask you to dispose of any alcoholic beverages before you exit or enter.
- » State law prohibits smoking inside any structure or in any seating or entertainment area on the Festival grounds. This includes vaping and e-cigarette.
- » Large signs and placards which may endanger or inconvenience the public attending the Festival are prohibited onsite. The Festival is not responsible for any injury resulting from this prohibition.
- » Please dismount bikes, skateboards, & rollerblades upon entering the Festival site. Free bike valet is available on Locust Street between 15th & 16th Streets. The Festival is not responsible for injury due to riding through the Festival site.
- » The Festival reserves the right to decline admittance to anyone who violates the policies established for public safety or to restrict activities within the Festival site.
- » All packages are subject to search.
- » Be kind to your pets - leave them at home when you visit the Festival. For the safety of the pet due to the heat and the number of people, pets are highly discouraged. City regulations state that seeing-eye dogs are allowed on-site. Pets are not allowed inside artist's tents.
- » No firearms, weapons, or fireworks are allowed on the Festival site.
- » Buskers and/or entertainers who are not contracted with the Festival are not permitted.
- » By entering the Festival grounds, guest expressly grants Des Moines Arts Festival® and its partners the right to use your image or likeness, or your child's image or likeness, in any promotional or advertising materials, or in any live or recorded transmission of the Festival.
- » We have partnered with Polk County Emergency Management to keep you and your family safe. Text DMAF to 67-283 to receive an alert containing important information about what to do if an emergency occurs within the vicinity of the Festival.

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Enjoy the Festival as a VIP! Your patronage helps to ensure this globally-recognized Festival remains free to attend and continues to offer rich programming that makes it the best in the world. Your contribution today is a sign you value Iowa's arts and culture. And to say thanks for your tax-deductible contribution, we'd like to treat you like a VIP.

Some benefits you will receive by becoming a Patron include exclusive access to the Silent Rivers VIP Club, complimentary beverages and food, air-conditioned bathrooms facilities, package hold, drink coupons, discount on festival merchandise, express lane services at food & beverage locations.

Learn more and pay on-line at desmoinesartsfestival.org/patron



2023 EXHIBITING PROFESSIONAL ARTISTS

View the gallery of artists online at desmoinesartsfestival.org/gallery



The Juried Art Fair presented by Nationwide features the works of 190 professional visual artists from across the nation in a variety of medium. Invitations to artists come from a pool of over 850 applicants making Des Moines one of the nation's most competitive shows. Ten of the invited artists are award winners from 2022 and received an automatic invitation.

Evan Abrahamson / Cheryl Eve Acosta / Margaret Aden / Krista Allenstein / Jeribai Andrew-Jaja / Andres Arango / Andrew Arkell / Jackson Avila / Anna Bailey + Nathaniel Bailey
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 Cindy McDougall / Igor Menaker / Allison Metzger + Jonathan Metzger / Kipley Meyer / Michael Mikula / Kirk Miller / Matthew Monahan / Kate Morgan / Rosa Murillo / Katie Musloff
 Janvier Ngamije / Gedion Nyanhongo / Thomas Nye / Enid Kate O'Rourke / Elizabeth Oehler / Lauren Oland / Lawrence W. Oliverson / Steven Olszewski / Susan Otterson
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 Steven Skinner / Thomas Spake / Erica Stankwyth Bailey / Gregory Story / Mark Sudduth / Julie Sutter-Blair / Meri Taylor / Marina Terauds / Craig Terry / Sharon Tesser
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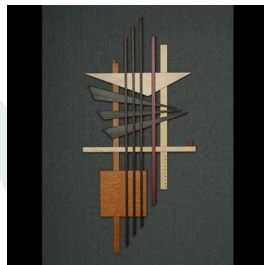
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Mike Bose



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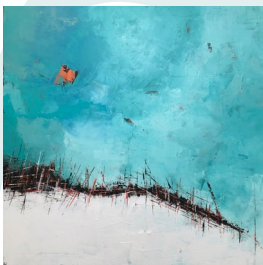
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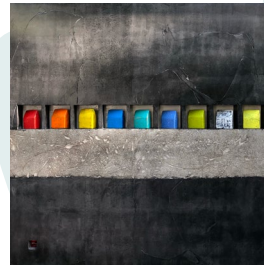
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EMERGING ARTISTS

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Discover the talents of Iowa artists as they launch their careers in the world of visual arts through the Emerging Iowa Artists (EIA) program. The program is generously underwritten by premier sponsor Principal® to provide Iowa-resident students who are currently enrolled in, or recently graduated from, a college or university the opportunity to exhibit and sell their work at one of the nation's most decorated arts festivals. Discover these artists on Grand Ave. near 13th Street.

This year the Emerging Artist Program expanded to individuals making a new career in art at any stage of their life. The participating artists were selected through the same blind jury process that selected the professional artists for this year's Festival. The Emerging Artists are mixed with artists throughout the Juried Art Fair.

Find out more at desmoinesartsfestival.org/eia

2023 Emerging Iowa Artists:

Emma Bolles,
Chicago, IL, Iowa State University

Mira Jung,
Ames, IA, Iowa State University

Olivia Palmer,
Peculiar, MO, Grand View University

Emma Reed,
Cedar Rapids, IA, Savannah College of Art and Design

Audrey Stirling,
Runnels, IA, Iowa State University

2023 Emerging Artists:

Andrew Arkell

Stephanie Barenz

Christian D' Cruz

Karen DeGuire

Elizabeth Oehler

Hannah Wave Flower

Zitong Yin

ARTIST DEMONSTRATIONS

Professional and emerging artists share their knowledge and passion for their work throughout the weekend with demonstrations of their work. Professional artists provide insight into a variety of medium including ceramics, painting, drawing, and mixed media.



HY-VEE MAIN STAGE

Visit the Hy-Vee Main Stage for exciting performances by The 502s, Sister Hazel, the B2wins, Satsang and more.

Friday, June 23:

- 5:00 p.m. Molly Nova and the Hawk
- 6:45 p.m. B2wins
- 8:30 p.m. The 502s

Saturday, June 24:

- 11:45 a.m. Student Art Exhibition: Visionary Arts Ceremony (Grades K - 4)
- 12:45 p.m. Des Moines Playhouse: Little Shop of Horrors
- 1:30 p.m. Student Art Exhibition: Visionary Arts Ceremony (Grades 5 - 12)
- 2:15 p.m. DMMC Hip Hop Students
- 3:25 p.m. Des Moines Breakerz
- 4:00 p.m. Penny Peach
- 5:15 p.m. Heath Alan Band
- 6:45 p.m. Satsang
- 8:30 p.m. Sister Hazel

Sunday, June 25:

- 11:30 a.m. Drag Show
- 1:30 p.m. The Finesse
- 3:15 p.m. Sunday Afternoon Live

ROOTS STAGE

The Roots Stage offers guests an alternative music experience in a laid-back, backyard style setting and features Americana musicians like Buffalo Nichols and Joshua Ray Walker.

Keep an eye out for strolling street theater featuring performances by Roberto the Magnificent and Bill Robison!

Friday, June 23:

- 5:00 p.m. Stringfield
- 6:30 p.m. Annie Kemble
- 8:00 p.m. Buffalo Nichols

Saturday, June 24:

- 9:30 a.m. Creatives Breakfast Club
- 12:30 p.m. Brad & Kate
- 2:00 p.m. Day's Live Music
- 3:30 p.m. Emmett Phillips
- 5:00 p.m. Jordan Jeffrey Messerole
- 6:30 p.m. River City Opry
- 8:00 p.m. Joshua Ray Walker

Sunday, June 25:

- 11:30 a.m. All-State Art Team Recognition Ceremony
- 1:15 p.m. Stutterin' Jimmy and The Goosebumps
- 3:00 p.m. Central Iowa Music Lab

Find out more at desmoinesartsfestival.org/music

main stage



THE 502S



SISTER HAZEL

INTERROBANG FILM FESTIVAL

The Interrobang Film Festival combines a traditional film production festival with a public screening. 42 films from sixteen states and ten countries will be screened over the three days of the Festival inside the air-conditioned South Wing of the Central Library.

- Un)alarmed, United States
- A Letter to V, China
- A Trout in the Milk, Japan
- Amount Due, United States
- Anima Works Presents "She Said" By John Denicola, United States
- Best Buddies, United States
- Big Iron, United States
- Black is Beautiful, United States
- Bombs Away, United States
- Brother, United States
- Combined Efforts: Changing Perspectives Of Disabilities Through Performance, United States
- Confusion Of The Afternoon, Taiwan
- Crank-In, Republic of Korea
- Critic, United States
- Ella, United States
- Episode 3: Ghosts, United States
- Flood, Germany
- For The Love Of Dick, United States

- Forever Queer, Hong Kong
- Frame Fumble, United States
- Frozen Out, China
- Getting Through, United States
- Greener Pastures, United States
- Hafen Von Genua, Italy
- Hibernation, United States
- Into The Lions Den, United States
- Intruder, China
- Last Memory of Spring, United States
- LINT, United States
- Motel, States States
- On Board, United States
- Open Doors, Australia
- Operation, United States
- Reflection, United States
- Safe Place, United States
- Shadows, Ukraine
- Soft Eyes, United States
- The End, United States
- The Family We Choose, United States
- The Goats Of Monesiglio, Canada
- To Memphis & Back, United States
- Written In Ink, United States

For complete details including synopsis of films and previews, visit desmoinesartsfestival.org/iff2023

STUDENT ART EXHIBITION

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GreenState Credit Union and Des Moines Arts Festival® are proud to host the Student Art Exhibition (SAE). The SAE is a program that spotlights the creativity of children K-12 attending schools in central Iowa. Students' artistic achievements will be on display at the Festival, June 23-25, at the corner of 13th Street and Locust Street.

All Student Art Exhibition participants and their family and teachers are invited to the Visionary Artist Ceremony on Saturday June 24, 2023 on the Hy-Vee Main Stage (located on the West side of 12th St., between Locust St. and Grand Ave.). This year, the ceremony will be divided into two sessions by grade. The ceremony for students in Kindergarten through 4th grade, will begin at 11:45 a.m. The ceremony for students in 5th through 12th grade, will begin at 1:30 p.m. During each session, student artists will be called on stage to receive a medallion of appreciation in recognition for their artistic efforts.

Find out more at desmoinesartsfestival.org/sae

THE BILLBOARD MURAL PROJECT

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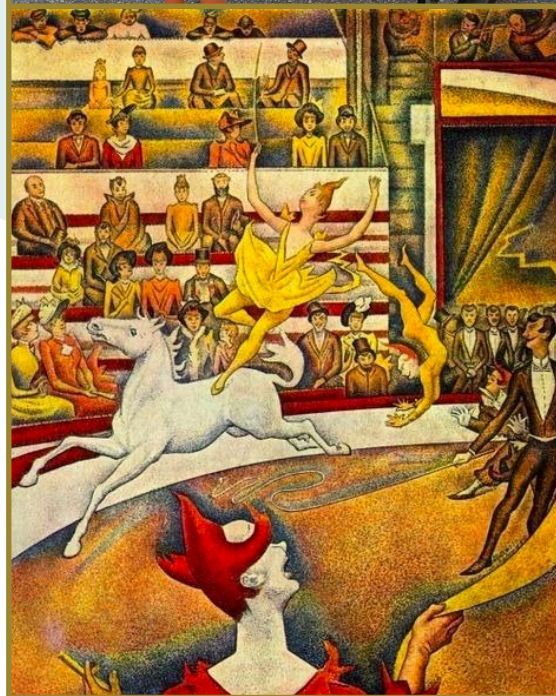
The Billboard Mural Project presented by Athene is a giant interactive art experience where Festival guests contribute to the creation of a large mural over the three days of the Festival. Guests entering the art activity area will receive one small square image of the original painting, a blank panel and the opportunity to transfer their interpretation of the small square onto the larger. When finished, the panels are affixed into a billboard-sized frame, piece by piece.

BOOM! ART

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Calling all doodlers! One of the Festival's don't-miss activities is the at the popular BOOM Art! Interactive mural project sponsored by MidAmerican Energy Company, which offers Festival guests (including kids AND kids at heart) the chance to contribute to an enormous coloring-book styled mural; as each 10-foot section comes to life, the mural is hoisted up to 30 feet in the air by MidAmerican's zero-emission/all-electric bucket trucks. Markers provided, no skills required, and don't be surprised if MidAmerican mascots Sniffie the Sniffasauras and Louie the Lightning Bug drop by to join the fun.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM

presented by **MIDAMERICAN**
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The Des Moines Arts Festival and premier sponsor, MidAmerican Energy Company, team up to present the Community Outreach Program. This award-winning program offers nonprofit organizations the opportunity to participate on-site and share their mission and programming to thousands of guests free of charge. In exchange for the free booth space, each organization provides an interactive arts-related activity for guests.

8th & College Connections

Blank Park Zoo

Boys 2 Men Youth Programs

Building Brick Foundations, Inc.

Dorothy's House

Des Moines Choral Society

Des Moines Gay Men's Chorus

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INTERACTIVE ACTIVITIES

- » Paint plantable, flower seed paper. Kids will choose from biodegradable paint colors to paint words, images, or designs on their very own plantable seed paper! They can take their project home with them or leave it with us to be planted in our community garden pollinator area where signage will explain where the flowers came from.
- » Create seed balls as part of the Blank Park Zoo Plant.Grow.Fly conservation initiative. These balls are made of organic clay and contain native Iowa prairie seeds that can be planted to create more habitat for Iowa pollinators.
- » Rock painting that inspires through positive messaging! Leave your creation in a park or on your dresser for daily motivation.
- » Create a public art project made out of legos!
- » Use craft materials to make and decorate paper instruments!
- » Create a virtual chorus! Children and families sing a song and it'll be recorded live. At the end of the Festival, the recording will be fashioned into a virtual choir piece that will live on indefinitely.
- » Children will create pause bracelets, using three green beads to represent an ellipsis, as a reminder to pause and center yourself.
- » Get a quick mini dance lesson or create your own dancing puppet!
- » Turn trash into treasure by creating musical instruments with soda cans, TP rolls, laundry detergent bottles, and more! Participate in a song writing exercise to think outside the box by writing a song from random words drawn from a hat.
- » Anime creations. Add your favorites accessories to a anime figure!
- » Victorian Bookmark. Use Victorian images (advertisements, letters, flowers, etc.) to create a vintage bookmark.
- » Create a public art piece! Participants will color a small square which will be added to the giant color-by-number.
- » Create origami birds using various colored and patterned paper. The birds will be hung from a canopy of tree branches to create a unique room full of birds.
- » Get groovy and move through a fabric design structure and become warriors for the Earth.
- » Participate in a "What is your WHY" interactive sticky note art wall. Children will also be able to make a memory box from a small cardboard box, to save notes or small items.
- » Explore the properties of shapes by investigating angles, sides and dimensions to understand how a triangle compares to a pyramid. Using various materials to create shapes and then dip them into bubble solution to see if you can make a square bubble.
- » See what your voice sounds like with the Chrome Music Lab Spectrogram. Participants will walk away with a picture of their voice.

Find out more at desmoinesartsfestival.org/interactivearts