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President's Message

The arts are alive and well in the Cable-Hayward area, thanks in part to CHARAC and its twenty year history. It was in October of 1996 that a local group first applied for a 501(c)3 to form the organization. But let me take you back a few years....

Around 1990 Sara Balbin began talking to artists and community members about forming an arts festival or an arts council, and in 1991 they met with the director of the Wisconsin Arts Board to discuss their ideas. In 1992 a Chequamegon Fine Arts Festival Board was formed and in 1993 they had their first five day festival at Telemark Resort.

This very ambitious endeavor included art exhibits, dance performances including the Duluth/Minnesota Ballet Company, theater performances by Serendipity Productions and Theater in the Woods, and several music concerts including chamber music. The Chequamegon Fine Arts Festival was held for three years.

In 1996 the board decided to suspend the festival and to form an arts council "to better serve the artists and patrons of the region throughout the year." And so, the Cable/Hayward Area Arts Council, Inc. was formed which began recruiting members, offering classes, hosting art shows, and sponsoring many local events.

Twenty years later we continue to serve the area with year-round activities – our annual fundraiser/gala in May, Gallery on Main in Cable during the summer months, the Namekagon Art & Music Festival in July, the Art Crawl in August, continuous exhibits at the Weiss Library, and Art Market 63, a year round co-op art gallery. In addition we give grants and scholarships every year, and support several area arts activities such as the Chequamegon Children's Theater, Northwoods Strings, and the Park Center.

We are grateful to those who had the foresight to start the organization, and to those who have supported CHARAC all these years with memberships, donations, or giving their time and energy. Thanks!!

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Dates of Note:

April 27

Girls Night Out

6 pm Art Market 63—Bring a friend, beverage and an appetizer.

May 26

A Toast to Art

5:30 pm Comfort Suites, Hayward—Wine Tasting, food, entertainment

June 5

Gallery on Main Opening

3 pm Rivers Eatery in Cable—Meet the artists, the art and the sponsors

July 9

Namekagon Art & Music Fest

Seeley Festival Grounds
Art, Music, food and fun!

August 12, 13, 14 Art Crawl

Visit the gallery and studios of local artists from Stone Lake to Drummond

CHARAC has been organized to operate exclusively for charitable purposes, to encourage the production, performance and appreciation of the fine arts through networking among artists and the community, education of artists and the public, arts and cultural programming, and advocacy for the arts.



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Our Annual Event and Fundraiser May 26!

A TOAST TO Art

Thursday, May 26th- Comfort Suites, Hayward

We're preparing for another fun-filled evening of fundraising this spring at our Toast To Art Annual Fundraiser! Attendees can look forward to many of the great things they experienced last year such as the delicious foods from local restaurants, silent and live auctions, basket raffles and hand painted unlimited glasses of wine.

New this year our guests will enjoy an expansion to our food options to include mini desserts and local coffees. Wines will be available for tasting and available for purchase by the glass, hosted by and featured from The Wine Cave. You'll also be able to try your luck to take home a high-end bottle of wine. Guests will select a numbered wine cork for \$5 that corresponds with a bottle of wine ranging in value from \$10 to \$75. The live auction will bring excitement and beautiful pieces of art for bidding. You'll get to hear from the board of directors about upcoming events and projects the board has been working on.

Tickets will be available for advance purchase before the event for \$25 at Redberry Books, Art Market 63 and Art Beat in Hayward, or you may purchase tickets from our board members. Tickets will also be available at the door the night of the event for \$30. We look forward to having you join us for our largest fundraiser of the year on **Thursday, May 26 at 6 p.m. at Comfort Suites in Hayward.**



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Main Street of Cable will again be a Gallery!

CHARAC is hosting the 6th annual Gallery on Main Street!

2016 will be the 6th year that CHARAC hosts the Gallery on Main, with original art reproduced on large, colorful banners that hang on the utility poles in downtown Cable. This project features art by 24 artists each year and has been a rewarding partnership of the business community and the art community involving our local residents, as well as summer residents and all visitors to our beautiful northwoods and the students of high schools from the counties of Ashland, Bayfield and Sawyer.

As we focus on advocacy for the arts by continuing to support and encourage art by all the various residents and visitors of our area, CHARAC has received over 92 entries this year. The banners will be put up by Memorial Day and removed at the end of August as Cable prepares for the Fall Fest. You, the art appreciator, will be able to bid in our auction of the banners and the original art throughout the summer. The original art will be on display throughout the summer and available for purchase at Art Market 63, CHARAC's cooperative art gallery located one mile south of Cable on Highway 63.



Andrew Sauer, "Twilight"



Bev Nelson, "Blue Violet"



Courtney Kowalski
Untitled

Art Market 63 ! Art, Classes, Exhibits and Demonstrations!



Do come and see our brand new **LOOK**. The outside and the inside of Art Market 63 is changed! We have painted and renewed and revitalized.

We are located at 42790 U.S. Highway 63, just one mile south of Cable opened in June 2013 with a group of local artists who are CHARAC members. In the three years this unique market has been open, it has grown in concept and function for the artists and the surrounding communities. With the current 15 members of the co-op gallery there is an outstanding assortment of visual, functional, decorative art created by these artists for sale. There is everything from greeting cards, decorative journals, wall art, and jewelry, and pottery, glass work for both the inside and outside of your home.

A variety of classes are offered throughout the year for numerous topics. If you are interested in learning a technique we currently do not offer, please call the gallery and put your request in. We are always open for new techniques to teach. These classes are not only taught by our member artists but sometimes we have quests who teach. The classes are listed on the website www.CableHaywardArts.org/Art-Mart as we schedule them so check the website often for new listings. Each artist works various days in the gallery to keep it open, so stop by and meet them— all 15 of them!

The summer hours for Art Market 63 are 10-4 Sunday thru Saturday or you can call 715-798-3363 for further information on our wonderful gallery for Art and Fine Crafts by Local Artists.

Special Exhibit for May 2016

Art Market 63 will host a special exhibit in May of wood sculptures by Clift William Roome, the late father of co-op artist member Barbara Kelly.

Clift loved photography as an avocation, was an aspiring writer, and a talented artist in wood. Clift spent many a creative hour at his work bench hand carving abstract and realistic sculptures, many out of walnut, his favorite wood, sanding them by hand to a smooth finish. Each piece of wood spoke to him, with aspects, like the grain, suggesting the final form.



Paint and Wine Nights
Canvas and Chardonnay
Wine and Design
Uncorked Art
Spirited Art
Vino Van Gogh



These very fun events have many names throughout the country and we are lining up some of the amazing art talent from our area to help you create an art masterpiece.

The classes will be fun and in a setting where an art instructor will guide you step-by-step to recreate the evening's featured painting or art experience. Absolutely no experience is necessary! We may break from the tradition of these events and do mosaics or glass or some other art. Keep tuned as we update this on our Facebook page and website.

3rd Thursday evenings at Art Market 63
May through September
from 6—8 pm

May 19—Judy Newberry

June 16—Trudy Tyson

July 21—Donna Post

August 18—Mimi Crandall

September 15—Cida Smith

Classes last approximately two hours; with a couple breaks. Everyone is an artist, and we're confident that you will be sure to go home happy with a piece that is uniquely yours.

Featured Artists of Art Market 63

Starting in June, AM63 will host a monthly reception and demonstration by one of the 15 artists in our gallery. These events will be held on the **First Friday** of the month. Our first artist featured will be **Reg Behrends of Blue Moon Pottery** on **Friday, June 3.** Join us at 4 –6 pm for a reception and demonstration.



Namekagon Art and Music Fest!

The same people who began CHARAC (see President's Message), also started the Namekagon Festival which is now in its 18th year. It continues to be a delightful small festival with art booths, live music all day, a free children's art tent, crafts to do, a poetry jam, and food. The festival is always held on the Saturday after the 4th of July, so this year will be on July 9th from 10:00 to 5:00.



The art booths range from sculpture and woodworking, to jewelry and lotions, as well as fine art. Many vendors have come every year for many years but every year there are several new ones. There is something for everyone.

There are usually three music groups, showcasing the best local music we can find, beginning at 10:00 and performing all day. (See the info about a new "moveable music fest" below.)

The poetry jam begins at noon when entrants can pick up their three "words." Then there is one hour in which to write a poem that contains all three words. At one o'clock the poems are read aloud to a panel of judges who decide the winners in each age category. Those are read to the audience on the main stage.

CHARAC sponsors the craft tents where, for a fee, you can tie dye a shirt, or paint a glass. Children can create a work of art in the children's tent at no charge. And as usual, the Lions Club will have savory foods for everyone to enjoy. Join us at the Mooselips Festival Grounds in Seeley for a fun, family day!!

Moveable Music Fest

This year we are trying something new and will be expanding the music part of the festival by showcasing more local music. On Friday evening you will be able to enjoy Sean and Ian Okamoto, a very popular local duo at La Cabana in Hayward, with the possibility of another event later the same evening. After the Namekagon Festival in Seeley there will be music at the Northstar Farmstead and one other location. On Sunday the Fest goes to Cable with more music at Lakewoods Resort, the Rookery, and Rivers Eatery. Look for a complete schedule closer to the date. This promises to be a weekend of fun!

Carol Anderson at 715-638-2529 to reserve your space.

Wide Array of Artwork Displayed at the Hayward Library, April -November

Exciting Art at the Sherman and Ruth Weiss Community Library.

CHARAC shares a sample of the wide variety of art and artists in this area by presenting exhibits at the Ruth and Sherman Weiss Library in Hayward.

Anita Sykes' wonderfully detailed wildlife drawings are currently on display. She captures the spirit of each animal -- from the familiar to the exotic.

Don't miss this show -- it ends April 28th!

In **May**, CHARAC is excited to present "**The Wild Threads Machine Quilting Group**". This talented group of quilt artists creatively take their art beyond traditional quilting. It's sure to be a show bursting with color and texture. This exhibit runs through July.

Then, artist **Cida Smith** brightens up the walls in **August**. Working in many kinds of media -- acrylic, collage, watercolor and more, she often surprises and always delights with her paintings. Her show runs through **October**.

November brings the amazing photos of **Dave Shaffer**. He specializes in capturing expressive images of bears. After observing many of them for years, he knows them well and it shows. His website "Bear Witness Images" is aptly named.



The Art Work of Anita Sykes—our Current artist.

Grants and Scholarships!

CHARAC is happy to again be able to have awarded \$10,000 in grants, scholarships, and awards to students, schools and local organizations for their art programs.

For the year 2015 we were pleased to have requests from four articulating seniors going on in the arts and we able to fund each of them at the \$500 level: **Lucia Stroede, Anna Jorgenson, Alexandra Rose Hohlfeld and Jasmine Marz.** Our best wishes for success to these four students! Congratulations.

The schools in our program area are Hayward, LCO, Drummond, and Winter. We were not able to fully fund all of the requests we received but tried to fund the more innovative ideas that the schools had for the use of the funds. This year we funded the following.

\$1000 to the **Drummond** School District and an additional \$250 from funds generated by Gallery on Main.

\$500 was provided to support the Chequamegon Children Theater summer performance.

\$600 to the **Hayward** School District to support the Mural by the High School Art program.

\$1000 to the **LCO** Art Program and an additional \$870 for operational support.

\$800 to the **Winter** School District.

CHARAC continues to support the Park Center (formerly the Park Theater) even though they have obtained their own 501(C) (3). In 2015 we awarded the **Park Center** \$500.

CHARAC sponsored the **9th Grand Soiree Summer Event** by providing \$1,000 for the project.

CHARAC was also able to provide support to the **Cable Natural History Museum.**

CHARAC has long supported the **Wisconsin Fellowship of Poets** and again with an additional \$100 this year.

We also enjoy entertaining requests by individual emerging and established artists who are interested in furthering their art education by attending workshops, classes, and/or teaching others. We awarded \$250 this year.

We are able to give this assistance to local art programs and performances because of the generosity of our members. Your membership and donations throughout the year and the money raised at our May fundraiser make this all possible.

Join us this year on May 26 for “A Toast to Art” for a fun night of fundraising.

Art Crawl 2016!

The 5th Annual Art Crawl slated for August 12-14. Mark your calendars, set the events on your devices for the ART CRAWL

**August 12, 13, and 14 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, and
Sunday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

Whether you head north, south or somewhere in between, load the cooler with your favorite snacks and beverages to embark on the 5th Annual CHARAC Art Crawl. Take a slow ride through Wisconsin's north woods and go inside the studios of many of the area's finest artists. Visit many sites and see the artwork of popular and well-known artists as you drive the scenic roads of northern Wisconsin. Join the area's art council as they celebrate the quality craftsmen and regional artists located in are area. And discover the wonderful personalities of our local artists, reflected in their art and in-person as you meet and talk with them.

This year we have partnered with many local restaurants that will be included on the tour map. Food and art— what could be better? Many are offering “crawl specials” if your map is presented when ordering. You will also notice a new layout of the brochure featuring a larger map and suggested routes. The brochure will be available after May 15.

This year the crawl will feature many local artists and their studios, along with many new locations and guest artists. The crawl is your opportunity to visit and go inside the studios of artists and see where all the magic happens. Many locations will also have guest artists on location, for a great chance to be inspired and hear the story of how the artists started their journey in the arts.

For more information and a downloadable map go to The Cable Hayward Area Arts Councils website at cablehaywardarts.org. You can also find maps at many local businesses including Art Beat, Glassy Lady's, Art Market, and at the Chambers of Hayward and Cable.

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And we would love to learn more about you! Check all the items that apply.

- I love the Arts! My interests are: _____
- I am involved in the arts....My medium is: _____
- I would love to help with CHARAC events and projects .
- I would be interested in serving on the Board of Directors.
Please contact me.
- I'm interested in joining the cooperative art gallery, AM63

Member Levels

- \$500+ Benefactor
- \$100- \$400 Patron
- \$75 Business
- \$50 Not for profit/Schools
- \$50 Household
- \$30 Individual
- \$20 Student



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Support the Arts

Supporting CHARAC through your membership helps to bring the following to your community:

- Gallery On Main (artistic banners on the streets of Cable)
- Art Market 63 – a co-op gallery showcasing the work of local artists
- Namekagon Art & Music Festival – a one-day festival with art booths, live music and a poetry jam
- Art Crawl – a tour of local artists’ studios and galleries
- Weiss Library Art Exhibit – a continuing exhibit of local art
- Grants – grants to local schools, artists, and art programs
- Sponsorships – sponsoring local performances
- Scholarships – Scholarships to local high school seniors

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Pablo Picasso*