Mission Statement:
Founded in 1974, the William Bonifas Fine Arts Center is a comprehensive arts organization. **With a commitment to excellence** in its exhibits, education, performances, facilities, events, and other activities, **the Center exists to enhance and inspire the cultural and creative lives of the people in the Central Upper Peninsula.**

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On the cover: Volunteer Mark Cowman is getting ready for the Ice Shanty Races for Flannel Fest! Page 13 has more info about this fun night celebrating all things Yooper!

Are you an ARTIST?
This symbol is for you! This symbol points out classes and events that you will definitely want to check out!

ARTIST GATHERINGS
The Artist Gatherings have been going really well the past 4 months and we are going to start the meetings back up in March. The meeting times are on the first Monday of the month from 6 until 8 pm.

These gatherings are for artists to meet up and talk about what they are working on currently. Come for inspiration and meet like-minded people that want to talk about what they love to do! We also provide an artist challenge each month and you can find the challenge for the upcoming meeting on our Facebook page. The challenges are designed to encourage artists to continue creating and are optional.

The next dates for the Artist Gatherings are: March 2nd, April 6th, and May 4th. March’s challenge is a care over from last year due to weather canceling our meeting in December, we ask that you make an ornament to exchange.

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Bonifas Hours: Tues/Wed/Fri: 10 am - 5:30 pm
Thursday: 10 am - 8 pm
Saturday: 10 am - 3 pm
Closed Sunday & Monday

The Bonifas Arts Center is sponsored, in part, by the following:
Winter is here – and with a vengeance. Today’s message is to encourage you to fight winter, inside and out. Winter often depresses us. It can trap us indoors and in darkness. Depression can be a problem as can just feeling down. It’s time to fight back!

So, get moving. Every time you brush snow off your car you are encouraging your body to breathe deeper and the movement is good for our muscles and our well-being. When you shovel your sidewalk or front steps your body and brain get more oxygen. If you want to take your movement inside, consider walking to improve your mood and to strengthen your bones and muscles. If you are dealing with arthritis or have limited mobility, come to the Bonifas’ Arthritis Exercise Class on Wednesday mornings at 9:15 am starting January 22. It’s free and 45 minutes of gentle movement will improve your range of motion and balance as well as your mood.

Indoors activities are important too! Because we can feel trapped during winter’s snowfall and darkness, we need to take action! Put on your favorite music and sing along. Singing increases our dopamine (a neurotransmitter) production and endorphins (the feel happy hormone) so we are more engaged and upbeat. Use play dough (make it or buy it) and get to creating. Be a kid and make it into a snow bank that your spoon can shovel away. Use blue, pink, and green! Take time each week (maybe each day?) to get creative and feel better.

Okay – it’s a plan! Shoveling (sort of goes without saying) and movement help our bodies fight the effects of winter. Participating in art and creative projects help our brains be healthier and happier. While I won’t go so far as to disrespect summer here, I will say that winter doesn’t have to beat us down. We’ve got this!
Fabrications V: U.P. Fiber Arts

January 9 - February 20

Opening Reception Jan. 9, 7 - 9 pm with awards at 8 pm

All types of fiber artists throughout the Upper Peninsula have submitted to the Fabrications V exhibit that will start off our 2020 gallery line up! This show is juried by fiber artist Sarah Eichhorn, of Milwaukee, WI, and is sure to warm you up through these cold months.

This show has been a long time coming as it’s been six long years since we have had a show dedicated to the fiber arts in our area, and we feel it is time to bring the show back. It’s not often that we get the chance to bring the fiber arts to the forefront of the public eye, and we can’t wait to share it with you!

To bridge the gap between seeing art and learning the process behind the art, we have a workshop for artists and interested individuals taught by the juror of the show, on natural bundle dyeing. See page 7 for more information.

Brown Bag Discussions

Wednesdays, 12 - 1 pm

Bring your lunch and learn different aspects of the fiber arts from local artists each week. These discussions are free to attend.

Jan. 15: Thread Painting with Rose Peltier
Jan. 22: Art to Wear: Sewing Technique & Trunk Show with Diane Kribs-Mays
Jan. 29: The Weaving Process with Computer Aid with Carol Irving
Feb. 5: Crazy Quilting with Maureen Lapinski
Feb. 12: Fashion Forward Portrait Quilts with Laurie Ceesay Landree
Feb. 19: Playing with Silk Ties with Theresa Ross

The Studio Gallery

100 Day Project: “The Process”

January 9 - February 20

Curious about how artists work through a project? This exhibit will show the processes that local artists used to get through their 2019 100 Day Project. 18 people were involved this past year, which tripled the number of artists involved in 2018, and many of the artists completed all 100 days!

This exhibit is up to also help inspire those that might want to work on their own 100 Day Project for 2020. This year’s start date is January 22nd and will go through April 30th. If you are interested in learning more about how to become involved with this year’s 100 Day Project, please call us or go to the local project page, www.the100dayproject.com, to find out more or to register your project.

We would like to thank our sponsors for this Fabrications V show:
- Alley Kat’s Quilt Shop, Marquette
- Ben Franklin Craft Center, Marquette
- Maureen Lapinski, Escanaba
- Portage Quilt House, Houghton
- Quality Sew & Vac, Escanaba
- Quilters Haven, Menominee
- Sisters of Steam, Escanaba
- Tebear Sewing Center, Escanaba
- Time Flies Quilt and Sew, Negaunee

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Youth In Art
February 27 - March 26
Artist Receptions:
Grades K - 5th: Wednesday, March 18, 6 - 7 pm
Grades 6th - 12th: Thursday, March 19, 6 - 7 pm

The Bonifas Art Center gallery and studio spaces honor the creative learning happening in Delta County area schools. As part of a nationwide celebration of youth in art, we remind our community of the importance of creative learning options and of our commitment to the creative spirit. Nearly 800 pieces of children’s artwork enliven the galleries and the studio and herald the coming of spring with a flourish of color and a genuine voice.

U.P. Cycle
April 2 - May 14
Opening Reception: April 2, 7 - 9 pm

Upper Peninsula (U.P.) artists are showing off their repurposing skills by making artwork out of recycled materials, which helps the planet by reducing waste in local landfills—a perfect exhibit to have during Earth Day month! The artwork for U.P. Cycle must be comprised of at least 85% recycled material, and will feature a variety mediums. Be sure to stop into the exhibit to see how Art can save the Earth!

Artists are encouraged to enter U.P. Cycle exhibit. Help save the planet one artwork at a time! Interested artists should register by filling out an application, which will be available in early January at bonifasarts.org under the “For Artists” tab. Artwork drop off is between March 17 - 27. This show is not juried but will have placement awards. A small entry fee will be charged to help fund the placement awards.

Action Preview & Early Bidding
April 2 - April 30

Come see what local artists and businesses have donated to our annual Benefit for the Bonifas Silent Auction. If something catches your fancy, feel free to bid early. The Benefit for the Bonifas will be Saturday, May 2nd, from 6 - 10 pm. This is our largest fundraiser of the year. The benefit is a ticketed event with sales starting on April 1st —$35 in advance, $40 at the door. Stop in to see what items we have for our auction, and even buy your ticket in advance. Your purchase helps support your local community art center.

Reminder: All Bonifas Exhibits are free to the public, in part by sponsorship from the City of Escanaba & Bonifas members and donors.
**TODDLER ART**
with Kathy Kohtala

**Thursdays, Starting Jan. 9, 9:30 – 10:30 am**
Student Fee: $5 per day
Ages: mobile toddlers - 3 & caregiver

Join us for creative play activities and musical fun! Led by professionals, toddlers learn through playing, which helps nurture imagination, problem solving and development of motor skills. Art stations and music provide hands-on learning with built in fun!

**CUPCAKE DECORATING FOR KIDS**
with Kelli Van Ginhowen
from *For the Love of Cupcakes*

**Saturday, Jan. 25, 11 am – 12:30 pm**
Student Fee: $10
Ages: 8 – 12
Register by: Jan. 18

Looking for a delicious way to start your weekend? Kick off this cold Saturday morning with the sweetest class in town. Kelli Van Ginhowen, owner of *For the Love of Cupcakes*, will whisk your kids away into the magical world of the Sugar Plum Fairy. Participants will learn fun, kid-appropriate tips and tricks to frosting and decorating 2 cupcakes (Vanilla and Chocolate). Parents are required to stay.

This class is sponsored by *For the Love of Cupcakes*

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**4H SPIN: KID’S CULINARY CLASS at Jones Elementary Home Economics Kitchen**
with Dave Radloff, Stephanie Ostrenga, & Irina Bruno

**Tuesdays, Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, Mar. 3, & 10, 3:10 – 5:10 pm**
Student Fee: $50 (series only & 4-H fees included)
Age group: 4 & 5 Grade
Register by: Jan. 28

The Bonifas Arts Center is teaming up with 4-H SPIN Clubs to help you raise your kids as enthusiastic cooks and healthy eaters. This season we will be taking the students on a *trip around the world* by preparing and sampling foods from different cultures. Integral parts of the program are basics of nutrition, kitchen tools and techniques, hands on food preparation, food safety, and table manners. Kids from all local schools are welcome – this is a great after school program with a built in snack. Register at the Bonifas, online at bonifasarts.org or at Jones Elementary School office.

**HOMESCHOOLERS ART CLASS**
with Betty Nyberg

**Mondays, Feb. 17 – Apr. 27, 11 am – 12 pm**
Student Fee: $55 (series only)
Age group: K – 8 Grade
Register by: Feb. 10

Art curriculum for homeschoolers. Kids learn about color, perspectives, art techniques and do variety of hands on art and craft projects in this engaging and lively weekly class.

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**CLASS REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

- Register online at bonifasarts.org or stop in and see us!
- Register early to ensure your space in the class — bring a friend.
- Classes have to meet a minimum of students for the class to be held.
- The class minimum must be met 1 week prior to start date of class.
- If you cannot make a class, please call us to cancel.
- In order to receive a refund, you MUST cancel no later than 1 week before the class is held.
- Classes may be rescheduled due to weather. Paid students will be notified.
- The Bonifas offers a 50% scholarship for most classes. Inquire at front desk for details.
- Children age 10 or younger need to have an adult guardian present.
- All supplies are included unless noted on the registration form.
- If Escanaba Schools are closed due to weather, Bonifas youth classes are also canceled.
- Pricing listed as: $M / $NM (Member / Non-Member)

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KIDS ABSTRACT PAINTING  
with April South Olson  
Saturdays, Feb. 15, 22, & 29, 10 - 11:30 am  
Student Fee: $25 M / $30 NM  
(series only)  
Ages: 8 and up  
Register by: Jan. 25

Abstract art is about experimenting and filled with accidents to build upon. Through drawing exercises you will learn the art elements which will give you confidence in shaping your work. We will discuss historical artists of the movement to provide understanding from where abstract art started.

UPCYCLED ART CLASS  
with Kim Zar  
Wednesday, Apr. 22, 4 - 6 pm  
Student Fee: $8 M / $10 NM  
Ages: 8 & up  
Register by: Apr. 15

Celebrate Earth Day at the Bonifas by doing what many artists already do... recycle! Join instructor Kim Zar as we explore the process behind upcycling and taking what might be thrown into the garbage and turning it into beautiful art.

This class complements the gallery exhibit U.P. Cycle, so come in early to see what artists in our area have done to keep items out to the landfill.

Naturally Dyed Silk Scarf & Bundle Dyed Flour Sack Towel Workshop  
with Sarah Eichhorn  
Friday, January 10, 10 am - 1 pm  
Student Fee: $90 M / $95 NM  
Price includes all supplies  
Scholarships available at Front Desk

Fiber artist Sarah Eichhorn will teach us how to use natural dye from plants and kitchen scraps and how they can also be used to create unique prints with bundle dyeing. We’ll cover how to set the dye on your fabric, recipes for natural dyes, and the different types of dyes you can create from your kitchen and garden. You’ll walk away with a beautiful naturally dyed silk scarf, a bundle dyed flour sack towel, and some natural dyed samples to use as inspiration and to showcase ways you can create sustainable color from the earth. This workshop is a beginner level class.

Watercolor & Japanese Masa Paper Workshop with Ed Fenendael  
Tuesday & Wednesday, May 12 & 13, 9 am – 4 pm  
Student Fee: $185*  
Register by: May 5

Create exciting watercolor paintings using traditional watercolor pigment and Japanese masa paper. This workshop will show you how to collage the masa paper over the watercolor paper to create incredible texture and new dimension by painting directly on the oriental paper. Each day will begin with a short lecture and demo. Individual attention will be paid by the instructor to each student. Come prepared to explore and enjoy this expanding approach to watercolor painting. *The Japanese Masa Paper will be available from the instructor at a nominal fee of $1/sheet.
ASHTANGA YOGA
with Heather Bruss
Mondays, 5:30 - 6:30 pm
Jan. 13, 20, 27 $27 M / $34 NM
Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24 $36 M / $45 NM
Mar. 2, 9, 16 $27 M / $34 NM
Apr. 6, 13, 20, 27 $36 M / $45 NM
May 4, 11, 18 $27 M / $34 NM
or $15 per day walk-in fee

Yoga provides a great way to strengthen and tone muscles, and increase flexibility. Studies by the National Institute of Health have proven the effectiveness of yoga for mental alertness, stress relief and increased immune system function. Students will learn how to synchronize breathing with standing postures and increase the benefits of their workout. Using the same sequence each time, improvements are easy to see. With this repetition, the Ashtanga practice itself becomes meditative. Students should bring their own mat and block.

TAI CHI FOR HEALTHY LIVING
with Lori Geiger & Peggy Gauger
Tuesdays, Jan. 28 – Feb. 25,
3:30 – 4:30 pm
Student Fee: $40 M / $50 NM

Tai chi & Qigong are ancient, gentle Chinese exercises that are practiced around the world. They involve slow, controlled movements to improve flexibility, muscle strength, balance and fitness. It is easy to learn, safe and effective. Each class includes: Warm-up and cool-down exercises; One or two movements per lesson, progressively leading to completing the basic core movements; Qigong breathing techniques; Tai Chi principals including those relating to improving physical and mental relaxation.

ARTHRITIS EXERCISE CLASS
with Betty Wagner
Wednesdays, Jan. 22, weekly through May,
9:15 – 10 am
(Skips holidays)
Student Fee: FREE

For Seniors and all arthritis sufferers! Exercise your whole body and work on joint flexibility and muscle strength from head to toe while seated! For those who are able, we will work on balance while standing. Move to the steady rhythms of music from the 40s and 50s and enjoy the benefits—both uplifting and relaxing! An exercise teacher of almost 50 years, Betty Wagner has taught gym, aerobics, senior exercise, and dancing, so she’s a familiar face to many at the Escanaba and Bark River Senior Centers, Bonifas Arts Center, and YMCA. She is an inspiring example of what exercise can do for you!

GOURMET RAW VEGAN EXPERIENCE
with Guy Leffel
Friday, Jan. 30, 5:30 – 8:30 pm
Student Fee: $30 M / $35 NM
Register by: Jan. 23

Certified by Raw Gourmets International, Guy Leffel will present the raw vegan perspective on nutrition and plant based food options. He will prepare a typical vegan breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Guy will also show the difference between juices and smoothies. Lunch will focus on vegan wraps and dinner will be tomato/basil spaghetti with zucchini noodles and ice cream (vegan style)!

This class is for informational purposes only. It is not, nor is it intended to be, a substitute for professional medical advice, diagnosis, or treatment and should never be relied upon for specific medical advice. To the extent that this class will feature the advice of nutritional or vegan practitioners, the views expressed are the views of the cited expert only.

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**CULINARY ARTS: WHAT’S COOKIN?’**
The first Tuesday of each month, 7 - 8 pm
Student Fee: $12 M / $15 NM

“What’s Cooking” returns this year! The series of cooking demonstrations are designed to bring out your artistry in the kitchen. Each session includes step-by-step demos and samples. Participants leave with a list of tips and recipes in hand and a smile on their faces. These sessions fill up fast so sign up now to ensure your spot!

**February 4 – Macarons for your Valentine**
with Lisette La Fave – Even if you never set a foot in Europe, you probably tried (or at least heard of) a macaron! This delicate and beautiful French cookie disappears in a second, but is pretty tricky to prepare. Our youngest pastry chef to date, Lisette La Fave, will take you through the detailed process needed to craft perfect macarons in two crowd pleasing Valentine flavors, chocolate and strawberry. Delight your Valentine with those exquisite little confections!

Culinary Classes are sponsored by Halbinsel, Inc. and Meijer

**March 3 - Greek pastry (Baklava)** with
Christina Economopoulos – Back by popular demand, this class, taught by authentic Greek chef, Christina Economopoulos, who grew up helping in her family’s Greek restaurant, will walk you through how to make the BEST baklava at home. Baklava, a traditional Greek pastry made with layers of ground nuts, phyllo dough, and topped off with a spiced honey syrup, is easier to make than most people think, and Christina will have a few tips that make all the difference. It’s a wonderful dessert addition at any time of the year!

**April 7 – Spring-time Greens** - Spring is a time to reboot our bodies with fresh nutrients after the hearty meals of cold months. Whether you have first greens in your garden or from the market, making them into something not just healthy but delicious is a worthy challenge. Ashley Tussing, with Sunflower Meals, will showcase in-season kale in soups! She will match cooking techniques and different dishes to the different types of kale. This class will feature a creamy kale soup and a hearty veggie soup, served with homemade bread and, of course, kale chips! Don’t miss this delicious and good for you class!

**SENIOR THEATER EXPERIENCE with Players de Noc**
with Sara La March & Lynn Soderberg
Feb. 10, 27, Mar. 12, 15 or 16, 26, Apr. 16, & 30, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Ages: 62+ Active seniors, must be able to walk stairs
Student Fee: $60 for the 6 weeks experience, Mamma Mia! theater show included
Register by: Feb. 6

The Bonifas Arts Center is teaming up with Players De Noc to invite you to experience the world on the other side of the stage! This February we are launching a theater experience program geared towards active seniors. Join us for a three-month immersion in the exciting and magical world of theater. Participate in a senior readers theater, sit in on a rehearsal, get a theater tour from a director, visit backstage to engage with the technical aspects of production (sets, costumes), watch a play and meet the stars of the show. Meet other seniors bitten by the theater bug and discover your hidden passion! There will be something for everyone. No previous theater experience necessary. Senior must be able to navigate stairs to get the full benefit of the program.

Feb. 10: Opening class – visit and discussion
Feb. 27: Rehearsal experience – costumes and sets, reader’s theater intro
Mar. 12: Attend Mamma Mia! performance and meet the actors
Mar. 15 or 16: – optional – Opportunity to watch and participate in auditions for the Cemetery Club
Mar. 26: Reader’s theater rehearsals
Apr. 16 & 30: Reader’s theater rehearsals and performance (informal)
MOSAIC ROCK CLASS
with Jan Dillon
Wednesday, Jan. 29, 6 - 9 pm
Student Fee: $25 M / $28 NM
Ages: Adult
Register by: Jan. 22

Escape the cold and dark of January! Learn the intricate art of making a glass mosaic and take home a beautiful piece of décor. Jan Dillon will teach students the basics of glass mosaics, the proper supplies to use, and how to apply that knowledge by gluing glass onto a rock. All materials are provided, including the 5”-6” diameter rock, just bring an idea! The finished project will look great in a windowsill or on a shelf in your home.

VALENTINE CARD PARTY
with Kate Oman
Wednesday, Feb. 12, 6 - 8 pm
Student Fee: $12 M / $15 NM
Ages: Adult
Register by: Feb. 5

Tired of paying for cliché Valentine cards? Instead, head to the Bonifas to make your own card for that special person in your life. Come for a fun evening of card making led by artist and instructor Kate Oman. Bring a few friends and a beverage of choice. Make your Valentine feel truly special—show them the love! Make and take home 3 cards and a new set of skills.

EASTER EGGS WITH ALCOHOL INKS
with Diane Kribs-Mays
Tuesday, Mar. 17, 6 - 7:30 pm
Student Fee: $18 M / $20 NM
Register by: Mar. 10

Make beautiful eggs just in time for Easter. Use the mediums of alcohol ink, nail polish and house paint - by themselves or in combination and let your imagination be your only limit. Artist and Bonifas instructor Diane Kribs-Mays invites you to dip into your creativity and produce a unique décor for your Easter basket.

FLY TYING MASTERCLASS
with Linda Rutledge
Tuesdays, Mar. 31, Apr. 7, 14, 21, 6 - 8 pm
Ages: 12 - Adult
Student Fee: $15 M / $20 NM
Register by: Mar. 24

Lynda Rutledge is a master fly tyer who has been teaching fly tying for 20 years for Trout Unlimited, the Hiawatha Sportsman’s Club, and the D.N.R. Prepare for the fishing season with this spring series that will meet once a week for four weeks. Students will learn the basics of fly-tying. Each week a new fly pattern will be introduced. Students will tie flies that catch trout and warm water fish. All materials and tools are provided.

MACHINE WORKSHOP
with Bill Oman
Tuesday, Mar. 10, 5:30 - 8:30 pm
Student Fee: $20 M / $25 NM
Ages: 14 & Up
Register by: Mar. 3

This workshop will introduce the basics of building a “Rube Goldberg” type machine. An overview of simple machines will be presented along with discussion of the use of potential energy and trigger mechanisms. Armed with this knowledge, you will building your own machine. Materials used will be simple household items such as paper towel tubes, cardboard and popsicle sticks and all are provided. Take what you learn in this workshop and build fun machines with your children, nieces and nephews, grand children and /or friends.

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ENCAUSTIC TEXTURES
with April South Olson
Friday, Apr. 3 & 10, 5:30 - 7:30 pm
Student Fee: $40 M / $45 NM
Register by: Mar. 30
Learn the unique art of encaustic (painting with hot wax). Artist, April South-Olson, will show you how to apply colored hot wax and fuse them in layers to create a textured painting. Using what April has learned through her own study and practice, she will show you how to build textures onto your encaustic artwork. Bring your imagination and leave with your own piece of art!

WHEELTHROWN & HANDBUILT POTTERY with Al Hansen
Mondays, Apr. 6, 6 - 9 pm & Apr. 20, 5 - 9 pm
Student Fee: $75 M / $85 NM
Register by: March 30
(Space is limited to 6 students so please register early)
Learn basic and some advanced pottery techniques from artist Al Hansen. Build a few unique pieces of pottery that will be ready for pick up a week after the firing. Previous experience NOT required.

Session 1: Hand building and wheel throwing.
Session 2: Glazing and raku firing (this session is held indoors and outdoors, so please dress accordingly)

GROUTED GLASS MOSAIC
with Jan Dillon
Wednesdays, Apr. 8, 15, & 22, 6 - 8:30 pm
Student Fee: $45 M / $50 NM
Ages: Adult
Register by: Apr. 1
Artist Jan Dillon will guide you through a Glass Mosaic technique in the Upper Studio. Students will learn the basics of designing, gluing and grouting a mosaic project of their choice. Options to decorate are a flower pot, vase, plate, or rock. After taking this class you will have the knowledge to do almost any mosaic project. All supplies will be provided, just bring your project idea. Choose your item to decorate when signing up for this class.

LEATHER & BEADED CUFF BRACELET
with Diane Kribs-Mays
Thursday, Apr. 16, 5:30 - 8 pm & Apr. 23, 6 - 8 pm
Student Fee: $55 M / $60 NM
Register by: Apr. 9
Make a beautiful and unique piece of jewelry with artist Diane Kribs-Mays. The lasting beauty of bead work has made it a part of nearly every culture in civilized history. Choose from a variety of beads and then hand weave them over a Greek leather cord to create your own unique bracelet.

MAKING A MICROWAVE BOWL-COZY with Lois Pilon
Thursday, Apr. 9, 2 - 4 pm
Student Fee: $15 M / $17 NM
Register by: Apr. 2
Join instructor Lois Pilon as she teaches you how to create a bowl-cozy, which is a functional piece of art, that will bring a joyful splash of color to your kitchen. Once complete, keep for yourself, or give away as a gift – the cozy will be handy in any kitchen!
Cozies are a perfect solution for handling hot dishes out of the microwave! Just put your food dish inside the cozy and put in the microwave to heat and remove the food by grabbing the corners of the cozy. These cozies keep your hands safe while holding your food, protect your wooden table, and keeps your fingers warm while holding a bowl of ice cream. Some basic sewing skills needed and all the materials are provided.
Call for Artists: U.P. Cycle April 2 - May 14
A show that uses recycled material to help reduce waste and make beautiful art! Art can be made with any medium, the only requirement is that the art must be made up with 85% recycled material or items that would otherwise find their way into the landfill. Applications will be available to download from the “For Artists” section of our website early January.

Call for Artists: Bonifas Membership Show May 21 - July 3
We are wanting to see what our membership is doing artistically. Submissions will be except between May 1 - May 15. Entry fee is only $15 for up to two entries and open to all mediums. Applications will be available to download from the “For Artists” section of our website early February.

ArtPrize 2020 Sept. 16 - Oct. 4
Excited to participate in the next ArtPrize competition? Artist registration will open in April. Artists must register through the ArtPrize website: artprize.org. Please let us know if you are interested in entering ArtPrize 2020 by contacting Kate at kate@bonifasarts.org. The more interest we have, the better pitch we can make to a venue to house all the U.P. artists together to show how awesome we are up here!

CREATIVE CORNER: Available during Bonifas hours FREE to all ages (age 12 & under should be accompanied by an adult)
The Creative Corner is a self-guided exploration of mixed media using all different kinds of supplies and materials. Visitors are encouraged to use their imagination. We can’t wait to see what you create! Sponsored, in part, by: Meijer and the Ray & Peg Hirvonen Charitable Foundation

EVENTS

MOTHER & SON SPORTS DATE NIGHT
Friday, Jan. 31, 6:30 - 8 pm
Student fee: $20 per couple
$5 each additional son
Age group: K - 6 graders
Register by: Jan. 24
There is a “Father and daughter dance”, but what about a special time for Moms and their boys? The Bonifas invites you to bring your sons to enjoy a night of sports fun with your favorite little man! Create a fun sports themed craft, play sports games, eat pizza and sports themed snacks. Pre-register by calling (906) 786-3833 or stopping in at the Bonifas.

MOTHER & SON TODDLER SPORTS DATE DAY
Saturday, Feb. 1, 2 - 3:30 pm
Student fee: $14 per couple
$3 each additional son
Age group: Mobile - Pre K & Mother
Register by: Jan. 24
Come enjoy an afternoon of sports fun with your favorite little guy! Create a sport themed craft, play games and eat sports themed snacks. Pre-register by calling (906) 786-3833 or stop by the Bonifas Arts Center.

Date Night & Day are both sponsored in part by Delta County Credit Union

SPRING RAFFLE
Tickets go on sale March 3rd!

The East Ludington Gallery, located at 1007 Ludington Street, Escanaba, offers a lecture series held the third Thursday of every month, 7 - 8 pm. The lectures are open to the public and free of charge. For a listing of artists and topics, be sure to follow East Ludington Gallery on Facebook.
VALENTINE’S DAY FAMILY FUN DAY  
Saturday, Feb. 8, 2 - 3:30 pm  
Event Fee: FREE  
Must register by: Feb. 1  
Bring your kids to make a Valentine’s Day mailbox and a couple of cards. Kids will get to take the card box and one card home and send the other card to a senior citizen at a local assisted living facility to warm their hearts. They will learn about community building while exploring different techniques in card making.  
Pre-register by calling (906) 786-3833 or stop by the Bonifas Arts Center. You can also pre-register at Delta County Credit Union.  
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FAMILY FUN NIGHT  
Saturday, Apr. 18, 6:30 - 8 pm  
Event Fee: FREE  
Age group: K - 6th graders with adult  
Register by: Apr. 10  
Come celebrate Youth Week with Delta County Credit Union at the Bonifas Arts Center. You will learn about saving money and make a really cool craft.  
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FLANNEL FEST  
Saturday, Feb. 22, 7 - 11 pm  
Event Tickets: $25 in advance / $30 at the door  
Join us for the 3rd annual Flannel Fest! Enjoy music by Sit Down Francis. We will have delicious food, beer and wine. This fun night celebrates all things Yooper! There will be the best dressed flannel competition, games, bucket raffles, 50/50 drawing and so much more! So put your best flannel on and come enjoy a fun filled night! Tickets are on sale at the Bonifas Arts Center.

FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE!  
Friday, Apr. 17, 7 - 9 pm  
Event Tickets: $10 M / $12 NM  
Enjoy live entertainment right here in the Bonifas studio. This event is perfect for a large group of friends and family, a date night for a couple or come solo and enjoy a great night of music.  
If you are interested in performing for Friday Night Live! please contact the Bonifas Arts Center at 906-786-3833

BENEFIT FOR THE BONIFAS  
Saturday, May 2, 6 - 10 pm  
*Please note the date change*  
Event Tickets: $35 in advance / $40 at the door  
Enjoy a night of great entertainment and delicious food. Enjoy beautiful art while supporting our communities best kept secret, the Bonifas Arts Center. The Benefit will be held at the Bonifas again this year with the theme of Derby Days. There will be a silent auction, games, door prizes and a live art auction by renowned auctioneer, Don Martin.  
This is our largest fundraiser for the year to support our work for the community and is a great way to find unique pieces of art and wonderful experiences. Local artists have also donated their talents to our mosaic auction by creating 8"x8" artwork.  
Tickets will be available for purchase at the Bonifas Arts Center & online, starting April 1.

We are inviting artists to create 8”x8” mosaic artwork again this year. The artwork can be in any medium, as long as it fits on an 8x8 canvas! Interested? Please pick up the info packet at the Bonifas front desk.
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<td>Need a venue for your baby or bridal shower? How about a birthday party, or a recital? Our Studio has wood floors and high ceilings, a small stage with a baby grand piano, and a full kitchen for your party needs. Host your next event in our historic building located in downtown Escanaba. Call or send an email to check availability - we offer great rates. Contact: 906-786-3833 or email <a href="mailto:jodi@bonifasarts.org">jodi@bonifasarts.org</a></td>
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The Friends of the Escanaba Public Library is hosting Tech Tuesdays at noon where you can learn to download books, use the Overdrive and other applications on your phone or tablet. Schedule an appointment or simply drop in. Also, for some screen-free family fun time, come in on the first Saturday of each month to play board games and do some crafts. All ages are welcome and no sign-up is needed.

The Bay de Noc Choral Society begins rehearsals for its annual spring concert on Palm Sunday, April 5, each Tuesday from 7 - 9 pm, beginning January 14th, at Bethany Lutheran Church in Escanaba. The chorale sings four-part music and there are no auditions. The chorale has been providing a variety of music in the area over 75 years; for more information, contact Mike at 241-7731.

“Take-a-Seat!”
Surprise someone you care about with a theater seat dedication plaque! Plaques are matte-finished brass with engraving. $100 donation to the Bonifas per seat. Call for more info: 786-3833

Bonifas Membership
YES! I want to be a Bonifas Member!

Membership Levels
__ $20 Student Membership
__ $35 Individual Membership
__ $50 Family Membership
__ $100 Day Sponsor
__ $300 Arts Partner
__ $500 Benefactor
__ $1,000+ Tower Society
__ Additional Contribution $______

☐ Membership  ☐ Donation only

I am an artist:  Yes / No
I want to volunteer:  Yes / No
If Yes: please circle the area(s) you would like to help in:
Work with Computers  Answer Phones
Gallery Crew  Docent Helpers
Work at Events  Event Committees
Prep for Classes  In-class helpers
Facility Maintenance  Organize Supplies

Little Bay Zen Buddhist Sangha sits in meditation every Tuesday night starting at 6:30 pm in the Bonifas Arts Center’s Upper Gallery. The Little Bay Zen Buddhist Sangha is a Buddhist community that practices zazen (sitting meditation), kinhin (walking meditation) and Dharma discussion at the Bonifas Arts Center. If you have questions or want to learn more about this Soto Zen Buddhist community, please email Joseph Mold at josephmold@gmail.com

Players de Noc: Please note that all evening performances will begin promptly at 7:30 pm. Tickets are $15 for plays and musicals this season as well.
Upcoming shows are: Mamma Mia! Show Dates: Mar. 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14 @ 7:30pm & Mar. 8 Matinee @ 2pm.
Comedy Club Show Dates: May 8, 9, 14, 15, 16 @ 7:30pm & May 10 Matinee @ 2pm.

Affiliates

Little Bay Zen Buddhist Sangha

Players de Noc

Bonifas Membership

Membership Benefits Include:
Class and event discounts, Discounts on artist entry fees, Annual meeting voting privileges, Use of library, Free ArtNews and flyer delivery

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