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.

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 meeting times are on the first Monday of the month from 6 - 8 pm, unless the first Monday falls on a holiday, then the meeting will happen the following Monday.

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 date for the Artist Gatherings is: Sept. 14 (off site, call for directions) and the artist challenge is “Summer”. We will resume meetings at the Bonfias on Oct. 5, Nov. 2, and Dec. 7. Artist challenges will be posted on Facebook once they are decided on at the next meeting. Currently we are limited to 10 people at the meetings, so call to reserve your spot. We are following all CDC guidelines of social distancing and masks are required.

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Tues/Wed/Fri: 10 am - 5:30 pm
Thursday: 10 am - 8 pm
Saturday: 10 am - 3 pm
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On the cover: Artist instructor Marlene Wood, teaching painting classes in our sculpture garden this summer. Check out her new classes on page 9.

The Bonifas Arts Center is sponsored, in part, by the following:
We never thought of doing outdoor receptions for our art exhibits – until COVID-19.


We never figured out how to do online classes – until COVID-19.

Do you see a theme emerging? Often our most creative or brave efforts come from necessity. Honestly, I’ve never done so many remote meetings on my computer, worked so hard to understand technology so quickly, or felt so understood by so many people going through the same thing. I’m not sure why so many of us don’t easily move into trying new things, but the pandemic has pushed us that direction.

How the Bonifas is adjusting to COVID-19

For the safety of our staff and patrons, masks are required to be worn along with social distancing of 6 feet or more while inside the Bonifas. We have installed plastic barriers at our front desk to help face to face contact while signing up for classes and events. We also are sanitizing our work surfaces, door handles, counters and any other frequently touched areas in the Bonifas daily, along with providing hand sanitizer at both entrances and surgical masks for those that might arrive without one. We ask that if you are not feeling well or have any symptoms of COVID-19, to please stay home. Thank you for your understanding during these different times.

Please note that this ArtNews was published with the best information available. Dates of classes, events, and exhibits may change due to any governor executive orders. Please follow our Facebook page and website for the latest info. If you purchased tickets for an upcoming in-person event or class, please check with the Bonifas to be sure the event/class is still being held.

The Bonifas will post cancelations or postponements on our Facebook, Instagram and website as soon as possible, and notify participants at the phone number given at the time of purchase. If in doubt please call the Bonifas at (906)786-3833.

IRINA takes the reins…

Irina Bruno begins her work as Executive Director on Sept. 1 this year. Please stop in to welcome her to the job. Irina Is committed to arts and culture and ensuring that everyone has access to them. She is a dedicated and focused individual.

Irina has worked at the Bonifas for 3 years as our education coordinator. Her search for new instructors as well as classes that appeal to many has been very successful. She is an equestrian, enjoying caring for and riding her horse. She lives in Stonington with her husband, Kirk, and has two sons, Alexander and Konstantin.

Irina brings to the Executive Director position a strong knowledge of business and finance and a deep commitment to bringing arts experiences into everyone’s life. Irina holds a Masters of Business Administration in International Management and a Bachelor’s degree in Geography and Economics.

“I am happy, honored, and look forward very much to continue working with our dedicated and talented staff, the Board of Trustees, volunteers and, of course, learning the ropes from Sue Roll. The Bonifas is recognized in the Central U.P. as a venerable cultural and education organization by virtue of our varied exhibits, lively events, and educational outreach. Following the mission of enriching and enlivening cultural and creative lives of the people of the Central U.P., the Bonifas is a unique place where people of all ages can meet the artists, flex their creative chops, learn new skills and simply have a great time! I hope to provide the experience, energy, and drive needed to lead this wonderful institution into the future and ensure that our community continues to benefit from its presence.” - Irina Bruno

Please join me in test driving a few more new things. If you’re ready to get out of the house, then please join us at the Arts Center for one of our many new, engaging, and socially distanced classes. If you’re more inclined to stay at home, please look over the many classes we are offering this fall online and commit to try one. See if it works for you.

You are always welcome to come view our exhibits. Free and lots of social distance to be had, the art is colorful, thought-provoking, and inspiring. Come and see what your friends, neighbors, and fellow Yoopers have created.

Be well and be inspired.  -Sue
The Powers Gallery

Oh Billie By Austin Ash

U.P. Cycle
July 30 - Sept 17
Lunch & Learn: Wednesdays, 12 - 1 pm
Sept 2: Kate Oman
Sept 9: Rose Peltier

U.P. artists are showing their repurposing skills with artwork made with recycled materials, helping reduce waste in local landfills! Stop in to see how art can save the Earth! For a more immersive gallery experience, stop into one of our Lunch & Learn events and hear from some of our exhibiting artists talk about their artwork. These events are held in person and on Facebook live. Studio seating is limited so please call to reserve a spot.

Thank you to our sponsors Goodwill (Escanaba), St. Vincent de Paul (Escanaba), Lakestate Industries, Wishful Thinking, and Delta Wide Recycling.

The Studio Gallery

Permanent Collection: Line
June 11 - Sept 17

This show is the second installment of using our permanent collection as a teaching tool. This exhibit will feature “Line”. Line is one of the seven basic elements of art along with Shape, Form, Texture, Value, Space and Color. These are the building blocks of all art and are a good place to start when making, looking at or analyzing works of art. However, lines are not only limited to drawings. Learn more about Line by stopping in to view our studio exhibit.

“360” an exhibit by Suzy Decker
Sept 24 - Nov 5

This Studio Gallery exhibit features new artwork by Suzy Decker, winner of the Bonifas Featured Artist Award that was given out at the 2020 Bonifas Membership Show. Suzy won this award for her work titled, Eye of the Storm-COVID19. When approaching Suzy for a title for her show she thought about it and came up with “360” because when she first started painting, she worked in watercolor and now she works in oil so she feels that she has done a 360 in the way she makes her artwork. Come see the new works by Suzy Decker—it’s sure to be a treat for your eye.

Northern Exposure XXVII
Nov 12 - Dec 29
Reception Thursday, Nov. 12, 7 - 9 pm
Workshops: Friday, Nov 13, 9 - 3 pm
See page 6 for details

The Bonifas Arts Center supports its annual regional competition, Northern Exposure, to both encourage U.P. artists to create new artworks and to showcase the contemporary artwork being created in the U.P.

Thank you to our Gallery Partners: Escanaba Vet Clinic, Thrivent Financial, and Tackman Capital Management

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Class Info

The Bonifas is committed to delivering quality classes and events to your home without interruption. To that end we are working to constantly add to our online content. Please check our website periodically to see new on-demand classes, series and events that are available. Supply kits for classes will be available at the Bonifas for pick up (or we can mail supplies to your door). Check out our new offerings and enjoy the arts in the comfort of your home at your convenience!

CLASS REGISTRATION

- Register online at www.bonifasarts.org, or stop in to 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 qualifying participants. Inquire at the front desk.
- Children age 9 or younger need to have an adult guardian present.
- All supplies are included unless noted on the registration form.
- Pricing listed as: $M, $NM (Member, Non-Member)
- The following symbols have been added to indicate if a class is held in person, online, or both options are available. 🏰 = class held in person. 📞 = class held online. When you see both symbols together in a class description, that means you can take the class in person or online.
- Please note that all in person learning requires masks to be worn until further notice. Social distancing rules are in place as well. Tables and chairs are sanitized before and after every use.

ESSENTIAL ART LESSONS FOR SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN
10 Online Lessons with Betty Nyberg
Each week a new lesson will be available on demand with the first lesson available on Sept 14
跚 Student Fee: $50 (series only)
 Ages: K – 8 grade
 Min: 10 Max: No Maximum

Art is necessary for kids’ minds and imaginations to develop harmoniously and to help learn other subjects. Not every school provides art classes and many parents are choosing to home school their children - especially during this fall of uncertainty. The Bonifas is here to help bring high quality art curriculum for elementary and middle school students to your home. Kids will learn about color, composition, perspectives, and art history. Experienced art educator Betty Nyberg will teach using a variety of techniques and materials, making it accessible for a wide range of ages. Participants will do hands on art and craft projects, including painting, drawing, sculpture and many others in this engaging and lively weekly class. Lessons will be available online on demand – register on our website and gain access to video lessons and supply kits (available at the Bonifas after the start date of the class).

GINGERBREAD HOUSES: HOLIDAY ONLINE WORKSHOP
On demand online video available after Dec 1
跚 Student Fee: $12/kit

The experts at the Bonifas invite your family to continue the holiday tradition by creating your own gingerbread house. A great way to enhance your holidays, this wonderful on demand online workshop will warm hearts of your entire family as you create lasting memories for many years to come. Register online or at the Bonifas and receive a supply kit and access to the on demand video instructions to build you gingerbread house.
Please note that artist level classes require the student to come prepared with their own supplies. A suggested supply list will be made available at the Bonifas front desk, on our website and can be emailed.

**OBSERVATIONAL WATERCOLOR**
with Megan Klco Kellner
Friday, Nov 13, 9 am – 11:45 am

Student Fee: $45 M, $50 NM
In Studio Min: 6 Max: 9
On Zoom No Maximum

Create watercolor paintings from life while learning the basics of color mixing, sketching and watercolor techniques. Students will create small watercolor sketches from still lifes, focusing on quickly capturing color and form. This class could be taken in combination with Sketching as Journaling or on its own.

What will be covered:
- Basic color mixing
- Basic watercolor technique (choosing brushes, bleeding, blending, etc.)
- Thumbnail sketching from still life
- Turning observational thumbnail sketches into small paintings

Students will aim to complete 1-2 small watercolor sketches from a still life.

**WATERCOLOR & JAPANESE MASA PAPER WORKSHOP**
with Ed Fenendael
Tuesday, Sept 15, 9 am – 4 pm

Student Fee: $95 for class, plus the Japanese masa paper from Ed (around $1 per sheet)
Min: 6 Max: 12

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 a demonstration. Individual attention will be emphasized. Come prepared to explore and enjoy this expanding approach to watercolor painting.

**SKETCHING AS JOURNALING**
with Megan Klco Kellner
Friday, Nov 13, 12:15 - 3 pm

Student Fee: $45 M, $50 NM
In Studio Min: 6 Max: 9
On Zoom No Maximum

Learn how artists use sketching to record their thoughts and observations and explore how keeping a sketch journal can deepen your creativity. Students will look at a variety of artist journals and use writing and sketching prompts to begin a journal of their own. This class could be taken in combination with Observational Watercolor or on its own.

What will be covered:
- Discuss sketching as a means of keeping a personal record
- Finding a practice that works for you: repetition, recording/sketching the same space over time, routine sketching/daily sketching, collection, collecting significant images, words or small objects, free writing, collecting phrases, stream of conscious writing, short poem forms
- Tips for building a sketching/journaling habit

Students will participate in guided writing and sketching activities and see examples of a wide variety of creative journaling practices.

You will come away with a broken-in sketchbook and tools and prompts to build your own practice.
INTRO TO INSIGHT MEDITATION
with Gene Schlueter
Tuesdays, 9:30 – 10:45 am
Session (5 weeks): Oct 6 – Nov 10
Student Fee: $20/person
Min: 3 Max: 20

During these stressful and contentious times of pandemic, political and economic tension experienced meditation instructor Gene Schlueter is bringing back this well-timed course to promote personal growth and help you fight stress and anxiety from the comfort and safety of your home. This course can help individuals with racing thoughts, insomnia, high blood pressure, anxiety, curiosity into the workings of their own personal mind to promote mental wellbeing. The five-week course (meets once a week) is based upon an ancient Buddhist tradition of meditation practice pairing Samatha (mind calming) with Vipassana (insight). It is a cumulative course with each class building on the knowledge acquired from the previous classes.

No previous meditation experience is necessary and the class is suitable for beginners. This course is challenging while at the same time informative and empowering. We hope to see you there. Namaste.

This class will be held online on the Zoom platform. Please download in advance (video tutorial is available on the Bonifas website). The link will be sent to you upon registration.

CULINARY ARTS: WHAT’S COOKIN’?
The first Tuesday of each month, 7 - 8 pm
Student Fee: $12 M, $15 NM
In Studio: Min: 8 Max: 15
On Zoom: No Maximum

The perennial favorite series, What’s Cookin’?, is BACK! The series of cooking demonstrations are designed to bring out your artistry in the kitchen. Each session includes step-by-step demonstrations in the kitchen and delectable samples in the gallery. Some of our chefs like to engage the audience in demonstrations. Viewers leave with a list of tips and recipes in hand and a smile on their faces. A Q&A period will follow demonstrations. These sessions fill up fast so sign up now to ensure your spot! If you prefer to join the class from the comfort of your own kitchen, the Nov. 3 and Dec. 1 classes will be streamed live using the Zoom platform. You can follow along and interact with the instructor. Buy the ingredients and print the instructions (please download from our website) - and be ready to ask questions as you cook with your instructor!

Oct 6 - Practical guide to Sushi with Dennis Dufek.
A martial arts guru, artist, and chef, Dennis Dufek will show us how to make this very healthy, light and delicious food, as well as advise on the best places to obtain the highest quality ingredients. A demonstration on how to use chopsticks will be provided along with sampling of the Sushi freshly made.

Nov 3 - Perfect fall soups from the garden with Ashley Tussing
Vegetarian cook and gardening aficionado Ashley Tussing will introduce you to making those strange veggies into scrumptious bites to share with friends – or polish off yourselves! November is the perfect time for soups! Learn how to make a squash based soup to help keep you warm during the cold months.

Dec 1 - How to make a Christmas Biscotti with Lisette LaFave
As the days grow shorter and colder, we all seek warmth and comfort. Why not bake something delightful and new? Learn to make biscotti - the twice-baked Italian cookies that are hard, dry, and crumbly, perfect for dunking in coffee, tea or—in the Christmas spirit—hot cocoa. These cookies are extremely versatile - you can mix practically anything in the dough – and Lisette is going to show you the festive Christmas version - dipped in chocolate with crushed candy cane. You can store the biscotti in an airtight container up to 3 weeks so they would make delightful Christmas presents for friends and relatives.
TAI CHI for HEALTHY LIVING
with Lori Geiger & Peggy Gauger
6 week series, starting Tuesday, Sept 15, 3:30 – 4:30 pm
Student Fee: $48 M, $60 NM
Min: 5 Max: 10

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 principles including those relating to improving physical and mental relaxation.

The class is held in the Bonifas Studio with social distancing requirements observed. At this point face coverings are required.

BAKE & BE HAPPY: MAKING CROSTINI
with Mike Berg
Tuesday, Sept 29, 7 - 8 pm
Register by: Sept 26
Student Fee: $10
Min: 5 Max: No Maximum

Artisanal baker, Mike Berg leads the lucky participants through making of a delightful Italian classic – crostini (toasted baguettes with savory toppings). Expect to bake baguettes in traditional white, rye and herb as well. The variety of mouth-watering toppings will include cheese, avocado and even salmon and represent Italian, Scandinavian, Mexican and American influences. Learn about making the dough, baking, broiling - a whole lot of new tricks to making a perfect crostini.

The class will be live-streamed online on Zoom (please have Zoom installed and ready to operate. The link will be sent to you automatically once you register for the class on our website). Participants can pick up samples of Mike’s bread at the Bonifas the day after the class. The list of ingredients to make the toppings will also be available on our website and at the Bonifas front desk, so you can purchase the ones you prefer.

THE SECRETS OF BEAUTIFUL BOUQUETS: FALL FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS with Dr. David Gafner
Friday, Oct 2, 5:30 - 7 pm
Student Fee:
In Studio with supplies:
$30 M, $35 NM
Zoom Class with no supplies:
$15 M, $20 NM
Ages: Adult
In Studio: Min: 6 Max: 12
On Zoom: No Maximum

If you are like us and you only want to learn from the best – you are in luck! Dr. Gafner is a celebrity florist, who worked on Oscars ceremonies, participates in prestigious national flower shows and lives in the U.P. Dr. Gafner will guide students through the core principles of flower arranging: color, composition, shape, texture and movement. All participants will receive individual attention and will make a stunning seasonal bouquet. Learn the secrets of beautiful bouquets from the master and take home a beautiful flower arrangement!

This class will be live streamed through the Zoom platform in addition to being held at the Bonifas Studio. List of supplies will be available on the website and at the Bonifas front desk a week before the class so you can purchase your own supplies if you participate on Zoom —the class price is reduced accordingly.
POTTERY STUDIO: HANDBUILDING & WHEEL with Al Hansen
Wednesdays, Sept 23, 6 - 9 pm & Sept 30, 5 - 9 pm
️ Student Fee: $75 M, $85 NM
Min: 6 Max: 6
Learn basic pottery skills and learn advanced 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 is NOT required.
Session 1 – Hand building and wheel throwing
Session 2 – Glazing and Raku firing (this session is held both indoors and outdoors, so please dress accordingly)

FUNDAMENTALS OF DRAWING & PAINTING with Marlene Wood
8 week series, starting Tuesday, Sept 29, 3 - 5 pm
️ Student Fee: $130 M, $150 NM
Min: 5 Max: 12
By popular demand, the Bonifas is bringing back the fundamentals of arts series for everyone! Drawing and painting are basic skills that are needed to create a piece of art. Students will have fun learning the basics of drawing (6 weeks) and painting (2 weeks). Class will focus on the art of seeing correctly, drawing skills, composition, and value. These series are for beginners but welcomes those who would like to go “back to basics” and strengthen their skills or become a more dynamic artist! It’s time to relax and focus on yourself! All supplies included.
This class will be live-streamed online, using the Zoom platform, if we are not able to hold classes in studio. Supplies will be available for pick up from the Bonifas. Please check our website for up to date information.

OPEN STUDIO OIL PAINTING / PASTEL CHALK PAINTING with Marlene Wood
8 week series, starting Tuesday, Sept 29, 5:30 - 8 pm
️ Bring your own materials or use ours for a $7 fee
Student Fee: $ 80 M, $100 NM
Min: 4 Max: 8
All levels welcome! Class emphasis will be on drawing, seeing correctly, use of medium, technique, value, composition and color in an open studio setting. Whatever your level, learn and/or strengthen your ability to paint what you would like to see and become a more dynamic artist. Individual attention and class projects for those who desire them are given to students. Bring a reference image or use one of ours. Don’t miss this great class!

COMPOSITION, COLOR & FORM with Spencer Epps
Thursdays, Oct 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Nov 5, 12, 19; 6 - 8 pm
Ages: Teen and Adult
️ Student Fee: $125 M, $140 NM
Min: 6 Max: 15
To create a piece of abstract art, one needs to understand the concepts of perspective, form, value, lighting, anatomy, color theory and composition. This course focuses on composition, but also touches on color and form. Professional artist Spencer Epps will guide you through eight sessions. Produce a simple work of art in each session as an exercise and then combine your skills to produce your own abstract masterpiece!
Session I: Introduction to Composition.
Session II: Phi, the Golden Ratio & the Fibonacci Sequence
Session III: Elements of Art Part 1: Line & Shape
Session IV: Elements of Art Part 2: Color
Session V: Elements of Art Part 3: Form & Space
Session VI: Elements of Art Part 4: Texture
Session VII: Consolidation of Principles of Composition
Session VIII: Composition Fundamentals Capstone
CREVO (Creation/Evocation) Experience: Demonstration of acquired composition skills—Students will be challenged to choose only three artistic elements to create a compositionally sublime work of art in an allotted two hour period. Works will be judged by instructor with prizes awarded for best demonstration of fundamentals of composition.
NEEDLE FELTING: A BEGINNERS GUIDE TO MAKING A MOUSE
with Kate Oman
Wednesday, Oct 7, 6 - 8:30 pm
💰 Student Fee: $20 M, $25 NM
Ages: 16 +
Min: 6 Max: 9

Artist and Bonifas Gallery director Kate Oman leads a class in creating an adorable mouse out of soft wool. Whether you give it as a cuddle toy for your little ones or keep it for yourself, these cozy soft creatures are comforting and delightful! Class is held in the Studio with social distancing. Masks required. Please be aware that the class uses needles and not recommended for participants on blood thinners.

ALCOHOL INK 101
with Kate Oman
Wednesday, Nov 4, 6 - 8 pm
💰 Student Fee: $20 M, $24 NM
Min: 6 Max: 16

Using alcohol inks can be a fun way to use colors and create backgrounds for stamping or card making. You can also use alcohol inks in paintings and to add color to different surfaces such as glass and metal. The brightness of the color means that a small bottle will go a long way. Alcohol inks are an acid-free, highly-pigmented, and fast drying medium to be used on non-porous surfaces. Mixing colors can create a vibrant marbled effect and the possibilities are only limited by what you are willing to try.

This class will be available online on-demand (with the supply kit provided) in the event the in person class can’t be held in the Studio.

ART PARTIES
with Staci Berg
Wednesday, Oct 14, 6 - 8 pm:
"Paint a fall scene"
Wednesday, Dec 9, 6 - 8 pm:
"Paint a piece of pottery for Christmas"
💰 Student Fee: $30 M, $35 NM each night
In studio Min: 5 Max: 12
On Zoom: No Maximum

When you feel the routine and mundanity dampening your creative drive, come to a Bonifas Art Party! Available in two formats: in person (with social distancing) and virtually, live on Zoom. These parties will help you to fulfill your creative potential and you will have a special piece of art to display at your home! Register online or at the Bonifas front desk. Zoom participants can pick up supply kits at the Bonifas prior to the class and bring their bisque ware for firing at the Bonifas.

CREATIVE CORNER
Available during Bonifas business 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:
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For more information visit bonifasarts.org - Like us on Facebook - Call us at 906-786-3833
**MICHIGAN BACK ROADS**

with Ron Rademacher

**Thursday, Sept 10, 6 - 8 pm**

Bonifas Studio & Online

Tickets: $8 per person

Ron Rademacher, author, explorer, and storyteller, will be offering a slide show and entertaining talk about Michigan back roads, getaways, and road trips. Ron is the author of 6 books about Michigan off-the-beaten path locations. These places are loaded with history and stunning nature scenes which will inspire a sense of wonder and peace. Hear Ron’s stories, put some new destinations on your road trip agenda, and enjoy yourself on Thursday, Sept. 10. Studio space is limited. We are also selling online viewing tickets for those that would like to watch the presentation from the comfort of your own home.

**FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE!**

*Friday Night Live!* is a great night to get out and enjoy some of our local talent. This year things might be a little different. We are working out details of this event and will post on our website and our Facebook page. Follow us on Facebook to find out details on this event along with all our events and classes.

**ANNUAL MEETING**

**Thursday, Oct 22, 7 - 8 pm**

Free to attend

You are invited to the Bonifas annual meeting. We will review what we have accomplished in the last year and consider what we hope to achieve in the coming year. Please come and meet our board members and honor community members who are or have been important to the arts in our community. The annual meeting will be available to view online through Zoom. The link will be published closer to the event date on our website.

**NIGHT OF MAGIC AND WIZARDRY**

**Saturday, Oct 24, 2 - 4 pm & 6 - 8 pm**

Tickets: Adults $30 Children $15

All ages welcome

Visit the ever changing Wolfsbane School of Witchcraft and Wizardry and be transported to our wonderful wizarding world. You can visit the shops in the alley and participate in classes. There will be games, magical activities, meeting characters, learning magic spells, tasting chocolate frogs and butter beer, and so much more! Costumes are welcomed. Tickets will be on sale starting in September and will be available at the Bonifas Arts Center or online at bonifasarts.org. Please be advised, space will be limited this year. You will purchase tickets for one of the two time slots we have available.

Event sponsored by VanAire Inc.

**SAVE the DATE**

**BENEFIT FOR THE BONIFAS**

The Benefit for the Bonifas that was rescheduled for Sept. 26 has been canceled. Please save the date, **Saturday, May 1st, 2021**. More info will be available in early 2021.

**MUSIC MONDAYS**

We would like to thank our sponsors, partners, volunteers, bands, and sound technician for making this concert series possible! Many people in our community came out for 6 beautiful nights filled with music, laughter, and fun.

**Sponsors:** City of Escanaba, EMP, Roy Ness Contracting & Sales, Peninsula Federal Credit Union, and Northern Insurance Agency Inc.

**Partners:** MCACA, CUPPAD, Mike Snyder of Public Health of Delta & Menominee County

**Volunteers:** Jeanette Adams, Julie & Bob Aschbacher, Kevin Chown, Marion Fitzgerald, Bonnie Phalen, Allison Warn, Delta County Credit Union, & Peninsula Federal Credit Union
VIRTUAL HOLIDAY ARTS FAIR
Starting Saturday, Nov 7, 12 pm - Nov 28, 12 pm

Please join us for the first online Holiday Arts Fair! Start your holiday shopping online with some of your favorite artist vendors. We decided to take the Holiday Arts Fair online due to the indoor crowd restrictions. We have been working closely with our participating artists to bring you a different experience this year. We encourage you to go visit bonifasarts.org and look for the Holiday Arts Fair event. Once there, you can find artists to purchase those unique gifts for the special people in your life. This event will be available until the end of Nov. so you will have plenty of time to find just the right gifts and help support local artists!

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BRUNCH
The Bonifas Arts Center staff would like to thank all of those that have helped us with events, education, gallery, facility and front desk work over the past year. To be safe this year, we will not be holding our in house brunch as usual but will be sending out message of thanks with a little treat inside. If you have volunteered for us this past year be sure to check your mail box in early Dec. Please know that we are very grateful for all you do for our community arts center.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT - RUDOLPH THE RED NOSED REINDEER
Saturday, Dec 5, 6:30 - 8 pm
FREE
Must pre-register by Dec 1

Enjoy time with your children or grandchildren while you create Christmas crafts, play reindeer games and listen to a reading of Rudolph The Red Nosed Reindeer. Space will be limited so we encourage you to register early. Stay at home option available, just pick up the craft kit and listen to the story in your pajamas at home. To register, call the Bonifas Arts Center at 906-786-3833.

PAINTING PARTIES AT THE BONIFAS!
$150 for up to 10 people
For 2-3 hours of Studio time

Celebrating a birthday? Bachelorette party? Family reunion? Plan your next party, hullabaloo, bash or wingding at the Bonifas Arts Center! We can add hands-on activities that will make it special. You and your guests can enjoy a creative time painting your own original art work. Choose from a menu of paintings or let us help you customize one to match your theme. Our price includes all materials and supplies needed for your masterpiece! You and guests will have use of the Studio, complete with kitchen facilities. This is a fun and creative way to celebrate your special day! Parties are for children and adults of all ages and occasions. If you are interested in booking a party, please call us at 786-3833.

BIRTHDAY PARTIES AT THE BONIFAS!
$150 for a 2 Hour Party for up to 10 kids.

Bring your own food and decorations – we provide art/project/activity. Adult presence required. Call 786-3833 to schedule today.
**Call for Artists:**

**NORTHERN EXPOSURE XXVII**  
Nov 12 - Dec 29  
In its 27th year, this show is one that you will not want to miss being a part of. You are allowed to submit 3 digital images of your artwork for jurying and if picked, they will be on display in the gallery along with the opportunity to win awards. Applications will be available on our website early Sept. and deadline to submit images is Oct 10.

**THE NEW NORMAL:**  
A photography competition  
Jan 7 - Feb 18  
Reception on Thursday, Jan 7, 7 - 9 pm  
This juried show will focus on the new normal. We have all been trying to find our new normal. What is yours? Capture and share with us by submitting to this show. Applications will be available on our website early November. Deadline to submit will be early December.

**BONIFAS MEMBERSHIP SHOW**  
Apr 1 - May 13  
Reception on Thursday, Apr 1, 7 - 9 pm  
Start making some art for our annual Membership show. All current members of the Bonifas are allowed to submit up to two artworks to be on display during this exhibit. Artwork, application, and payment will be due here by Mar 27.

**Call for Art Vendors:**

**HOLIDAY ARTS FAIR: Virtual show**  
Starting Saturday, Nov 7, 12 pm - Until Nov 28, 12 pm  
Interested in being a vendor? We are currently taking vendor applications for the virtual Holiday Arts Fair. Download the application from the “For Artists” tab on our website or stop in at the Bonifas. The price to participate in the online art fair is $20 M, $25 NM

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**Bonifas AFFILIATES**

**Little Bay Zen Buddhist Sangha** will resume sitting on September 1 at 6:30 PM EST at the Bonifas Arts Center. COVID-19 safety protocol will be in effect. No more than 10 people will be allowed to sit in the upper gallery. Therefore, participants are required to email josephmold@gmail.com to reserve a spot, every week. We will sit 6 feet apart and maintain 6 feet of social distance at all times. You MUST wear a mask upon entering the Bonifas and throughout the duration of service. NO EXCEPTIONS. If you cannot wear a mask, we ask you not to attend. If you are ill or have a cough of any kind we ask you not to attend. Service will be altered. There will be no chanting, only meditation, and a short dharma discussion. We will not pass or share any reading materials. We also ask that upon entering the Bonifas, that you wash your hands for at least 20 seconds paying close attention to fingertips and fingernails.

**The Bay de Noc Choral Society** will not be performing its usual annual Christmas concert in December. We will publish plans for Spring 2021 at a later date.

**The Friends of the Escanaba Public Library** is closed to walk in traffic at this time, but a drive-up window is set up and the staff is ready and will do their best to assist you. We do have a checkout telescope with assistance on its use. The celestial skies are busy; so many interesting things to watch! Also video streaming is available with programs such as Great Courses, British TV and more. Please visit our website and check out all the services and how to access them.

**The Remnants Barbershop Chorus** is an affiliate of the Bonifas Arts Center.

**Players De Noc:** The show will go on...just not right now. Because we cannot responsibly ensure the health and safety of our patrons or volunteers, Players de Noc made the difficult decision to postpone our 2020-2021 season. Standing by our mission to entertain, enrich, and educate people of all ages, we are exploring safer ways to offer you the high quality theatrical experiences you’ve come to expect. See our Facebook page for updates.
RENT THE BONIFAS
Need a venue for your baby or bridal shower? How about a birthday party, or a recital? Our Studio has wood floors, 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 jodi@bonifasarts.org

ELMER’S REWARD POINTS
Support us by donating your Elmer’s Reward Card points to the Bonifas Arts Center! It’s easy! All you do is when you are checking out at Elmer’s County Market, present the Bonifas Donation Card to the cashier and let them know how many of your Elmer’s Reward Points you would like to transfer to the arts center. The points you donate to the arts center help us earn FREE money. If you would like a card, you can pick up one up at the Bonifas front desk.

“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 2020 Fall Raffle
Tickets $5 each or 6 for $25
By purchasing a ticket you not only help support programs at your community art center you also have a chance to win one of these great prizes:

1st Prize: Get away to Grand Rapids, Beer City USA
- 2 night stay at Prairieside Suite Luxury Bed & Breakfast located in Grandville, MI (15 minutes Southwest of Grand Rapids)
- 3 Day Culture Pass from Experience Grand Rapids; which includes free general admission to arts galleries, museums and discounts on performances
- A tour of a local Grand Rapids Brewery

2nd Prize: Private Appetizer Party By Chef Alexandria, owner of Renegade Sheep
Appetizer party for 5-8 people: Personal, local, seasonal menu created by Chef Alexandria

3rd Prize: JBL Flip 5 Bluetooth Speaker
This portable, waterproof, bluetooth speaker is great for any gathering or for listening to your favorite podcasts on the go.

The raffle will be drawn on December 9th at 7 pm. Location will be posted online. You do not need to be present to win. Tickets will be on sale at the front desk and Bonifas members will have a pack sent to them (please return all tickets, purchased or not).
Membership

YES! I want to be a Bonifas Member!

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

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 $________

*Day Sponsor information: Sponsor a day in honor or memory of a friend, loved one, event or organization.
In Honor or in Memory of:
_________________________________
Date(s) requested:___________________
I am an artist: Yes / No
I want to volunteer: Yes / No

Name: ______________________________
Business: _____________________________
Address: _____________________________
City, St. Zip: __________________________
Phone: ______________________________
Email: _______________________________

Enclosed is my check for $_______
Bill my charge card: Amount $________
__Visa __MasterCard __Discover __AmEx
Card # _____/_____/_____/_____
Exp. _____/_____ CVV # _____

Signature __________________________________
All payment arrangements are private and secure

SEPT
10 MICHIGAN BACK ROADS 6 - 8 pm
14 ART FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN Virtual
Lesson 1 will be available on Sept 14
14 ARTIST GATHERING (off site) 6 - 8 pm
15 WATERCOLOR & MASA PAPER 9 am - 4 pm
15 TAI CHI 3:30 - 4:30 pm
23 POTTERY CLASS 6 - 9 pm
24 U.P. WILDLIFE RECEPTION 7 - 9 pm
29 DRAWING & PAINTING 3 - 5 pm
29 OPEN STUDIO OIL/PASTLE 5:30 - 8 pm
29 BAKE & BE HAPPY: CROSTINI 7 - 8 pm

OCT
1 COMPOSITION, COLOR & FORM 6 - 8 pm
2 BEAUTIFUL BOUQUETS 5:30 - 7 pm
5 ARTIST GATHERING 6 - 8 pm
6 INSIGHT MEDITATION 9:30 - 10:45 am
6 WHAT’S COOKIN’? 7 - 8 pm
7 NEEDLE FELTING 6 - 8:30 pm
14 ART PARTIES: FALL SCENE 6 - 8 pm
22 ANNUAL MEETING 7 - 8 pm
24 NIGHT OF MAGIC & WIZARDRY 2 - 4 pm
24 NIGHT OF MAGIC & WIZARDRY 6 - 8 pm

NOV
2 ARTIST GATHERING 6 - 8 pm
3 WHAT’S COOKIN’? 7 - 8 pm
4 ALCOHOL INK 101 6 - 8 pm
7 HOLIDAY ARTS FAIR Virtual
starts at 12 pm until Nov 28, 12 pm
12 NEX XXVII RECEPTION 7 - 9 pm
13 OBSERVATIONAL WATERCOLOR 9 - 11:45 am
13 SKETCHING/JOURNALING 12:15 - 3 pm

DEC
1 WHAT’S COOKIN’? 7 - 8 pm
1 GINGERBREAD HOUSES Virtual
Kits available for pick up after Dec 1
5 FAMILY FUN NIGHT - RUDOLPH 6:30 - 8 pm
7 ARTIST GATHERING 6 - 8 pm
9 ART PARTIES: POTTERY PAINTING 6 - 8 pm
9 FALL RAFFLE DRAWING 7 pm

Please note if a class is a series, only the start date of class is listed here, please refer to the ArtNews for the rest of the dates.
CULINARY ARTS:
WHAT’S COOKIN’?
The first Tuesday of each month, 7 - 8 pm

Oct 6 - “Practical guide to Sushi” with Dennis Dufek
Nov 3 - “Perfect fall soups from the garden” with Ashley Tussing
Dec 1 - “How to make a Christmas Biscotti” with Lisette LaFave

More class Info on Page 9

Visit Our Exhibits!

Powers Gallery
- U.P. Cycle
  - July 30 - Sept 17
- U.P. Wildlife
  - Sept 24 - Nov 5
- Northern Exposure XXVII
  - Nov 12 - Dec 30

The Studio Gallery
- Permanent Collection: Line
  - June 11 - Sept 17
- 360: an exhibit by Suzy Decker
  - Sept 24 - Nov 5