PUMP HOUSE REGIONAL ARTS CENTER

October 2026

Join us in CELEBRATING (nearly) 50 YEARS of creating community through the arts in the La Crosse Area by way of Art Galleries, Theater, Music, Art Studio. Did you know this makes the Pump House the longest-operating multi-disciplinary Arts organization in Wisconsin?

Based on community feedback, Pump House Board of Directors and Staff completed a Strategic Plan that focuses on Expanding and Deepening Community Relationships, Providing Diverse & Accessible Programming, and Long-term Sustainability Funds.

What You Can Do to Help: Donate Today

- NEW Community Access Fund – allows us to equitably host organizations and artists at our venue.
- NEW Company Memberships – give your employees the gift of the arts with discounts to shows, concerts, and art classes.
- NEW Historic Building Fund – We are grateful for our decades long-term lease, an example of a successful public/private partnership with building owners, City of La Crosse. Help us as we plan to maintain this landmark, historic building for the next generations.



Survey Says: "The Pump House is an important part of our community. The building itself adds character to our downtown."

Expand and Deepen Community Relationships

- 14 years of Artspire La Crosse
- UW-La Crosse 'Eagles at the Table' Pump House Student Board Member Jada Jahn
- Internships with UW-La Crosse, Viterbo University & Western Technical College Students
- Accessible pay-what-you-can theater with Grey Area Productions 11th play, Second Skin by Kristin Idaszak
- Summer Youth Art Fellowship annual free program for middle and high school students
- All La Crosse Schools Gallery Exhibition & Senior Art Scholarship



Survey Says: "Community and connection, representation, joy, opportunity for growth.... I believe art, in all of its forms, is what makes our world a better place."

Survey Says: "I appreciate the friendly staff who are welcoming and always offer help. Their wonderful smiles and inclusiveness was greatly appreciated when I started coming to the art studio. The welcoming atmosphere brings me back every week."

Provide Diverse and Accessible Programming

Always free art galleries feature LAPIZTOLA International Artist Collective from Oaxaca, Mexico - artwork addressing issues of migration, violence, and Indigenous Identity. This exhibit during Hispanic Heritage Month is in partnership with La Crosse Public Library BIG READ, *The House on Mango Street* by Sandra Cisneros, exploring themes of Latine identity, sense of home, family and friendship. This project includes an Ekphrastic Poetry Reading and Storytime for Adults in Spanish, translated to English.

Other highlights include:

- Inaugural Driftless Ceramics Biennial Group Exhibition, CALL OPEN NOW
- Flow State Literary Series with UW-La Crosse English Department and Pearl Street Books
- Hard Case Binding Book Making Workshop with Amoreena Rathke
- Introduction to Metalsmithing: Silver Ring or Pendant With Billie Stevens of GlassStone Studio
- Pump Up The Jam DJ Dance Series





Survey says: "Wonderful community resource, vital part of the landscape of La Crosse."

Survey Says: "It is a unique venue right here in La Crosse! The variety of events so unbelievable for a small local organization."



We appreciate the opportunity to share an update and leave you with a call: Will you consider becoming an Annual Sustaining Member or making an extra donation to one of our new funds this year?

In gratitude,

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