

Northern Indiana Pastel Society

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July 2026

NIPS at SBMA through July 12

There is still time to visit the Northern Indiana Pastel Society 20th Anniversary Exhibit at the South Bend Museum of Art. The galleries are open Wednesday through Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. The exhibit features 37 works by 34 artists. Awards went to Robert R. Williams, Umalla June, Diann Nelson, Elizabeth Kuntz and Mary Firtl.

Artists, please pick up your art on Monday, July 13, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

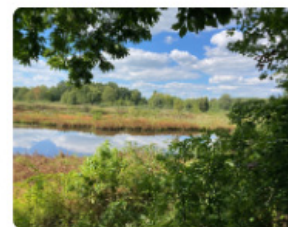
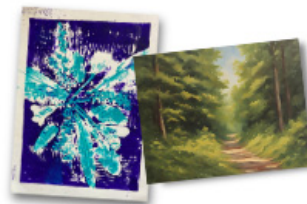
Paint out at Lydick Bog August 1

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Northern Indiana Pastel Society will participate again in the Nature in the Arts event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1 at Lydick Bog.



Members can work in pastel or paint, sketch, photograph or join art projects hosted by South Bend Museum of Art. Families and guests are welcome. Cathy McCormick will do a demonstration of landscape painting in pastel again. It is a

chance to create connections between art and nature. Learn more at <https://heinzetrust.org/nature-in-the-arts/>

Please let me know that you are planning to attend. Cathy McCormick, camccorm@aol.com



Mary Meehan Firtl, "Evolution"



Elizabeth Kuntz, "Valley of the Soul"



Diann Nelson, "ND Path"



Umalla June, "Interruption #2"



Bob Williams, "Sally in Pigtails"

20
years



Future NIPS Exhibits

Fernwood Botanical Gardens, Niles, Mich.
February 19 to May 2, 2027
Reception February 21.

MoonTree Studios, Donaldson, Ind.
September, October and November 2027

Roti Roti Art Center, Buchanan, Mich., 2028

Member News

Patty Ritchie will participate in the Krasl Art Fair on the Bluff in St. Joseph, Michigan on July 11 and 12. "Peace of Sky Pastels" booth welcomes all nature lovers. PeaceOfSky.com

Barb Stephenson's self-portrait "My Rose Colored Glasses" (left) was accepted into the Great Lakes Pastel Society online members' show, July 12 to September 12. Also accepted into that exhibit were works by Mary Firtl and Susie Piper.



Four paintings with jazz themes by Barb Stephenson were featured at the Midwest Museum of American Art, Elkhart, in the special exhibition, "All That Jazz," alongside current and legendary artists, during the Elkhart Jazz Festival, June 5–July 5.

Mary Firtl and **Dan Slattery** won awards at the Northern Indiana Artists Inc. members' exhibit at the Heartland Artists gallery in the old firehouse, Plymouth, IN

Kay Londergan and **Liz Kuntz** have art in the "Painted Ladies" group exhibition to August 23 at Fernwood Botanical Garden,

Niles, Michigan.

Liz Kuntz will be in booth 28 at Art Beat in downtown South Bend, Saturday, Aug. 15, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Liz will offer prints and gift items created from her pastel artworks. downtownsouthbend.com/art-beat



Mary Firtl, "Orange Study a la Picard"



Dan Slattery, "Lighthouse Dawn"

Coming Up Fast: Call for Entries: Northern Indiana Pastel Society 20th Anniversary Exhibit, Chapter Two

**August 4–29, 2026 Heartland Art Center,
Historic Firehouse Gallery**
220 N. Center St., Plymouth, Ind.,

Sunday, August 2. Deliver work 1–3 p.m.

Saturday, August 29, 1–3 p.m.

Reception, awards and releasing of art.
Hospitality by Heartland. Members are invited to bring appetizers and desserts also.

Gallery hours: Tuesday – Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Photos needed. When you know the artwork you plan to enter, please email me a digital image and title for Heartland to use in promoting our show. camccorm@aol.com

Each member may enter two pastel works.
Fee: \$10 for the first entry, \$5 for the second entry. The work listed as Entry Number 1 will be shown. Entry Number 2 may be juried out if space requires. It is likely all works will be shown. There is no size limit. Works must be suitable for a family gallery. Commission on sales is 35 percent to Heartland Art Center.

Eligibility: The art should not have been shown in a previous NIPS show or at Heartland Art Center. The show is open to NIPS members who are current with their dues for 2026. Dues of \$25 can be paid by sending a check payable to Northern Indiana Pastel Society in care of treasurer Sue Coultas, 519 Woodruff, Niles, MI, 49120.

Delivery: Paperwork must be filled out and the tags attached to the artwork before submission. Art must be framed under glass and ready to hang with wire. Mats and frames must be in good condition and free of pastel dust. Works must hang to the end of the show.

Liability: Utmost care will be taken in the handling of paintings. Works in the show should be covered by the artist's insurance. Heartland or NIPS will not accept financial liability for accidents or loss. The Northern Indiana Pastel Society and Heartland Art Center reserve the right to use art images in published material and on their web sites with attribution to the artist.

Details and info: If you have questions about the show or need help transporting work to the show, please contact Cathy McCormick, 574-850-3742, camccorm@aol.com.



**Historic
Firehouse Gallery**

Please fill out two forms for each entry. Attach one to the lower right back of your pastel painting and hand in the duplicate form when delivering art to the gallery.

Please print.

Name _____

Address _____ **State** _____ **ZIP** _____

Phone _____ **Cell** _____ **Email** _____

Title _____

Sale price _____ **If not for sale, circle NFS and list insurance value** _____

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