



**Register for Arts Day 2017 - March 9, 2017**  
**Overture Center for the Arts, Madison**  
**[Arts Day 2017 registration and registration](#)**

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Registration is open for **Arts Day, Thursday, March 9, 2017, at the Overture Center for the Arts in Madison.** On Arts Day, hundreds of arts, organization, business, political, governmental and civic leaders will come together to speak up for artistic opportunities, creative expression and civic engagement. Arts Day is the biggest day for the arts and creativity in Wisconsin and a great opportunity to show the power, benefit and impact of the arts throughout the state.

The focus of Arts Day 2017 is the establishment of [Wisconsin Creates](#), a new community cultural development program and a 21st century strategy to invest in creative people, institutions, businesses, and communities throughout Wisconsin. Legislation to establish *Wisconsin Creates* will be introduced in the State Legislature by the end of February, to celebrate and speak up for on Arts Day.

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*It's time for Wisconsin to invest in economic vitality, education for the 21st century, healthy, vibrant communities, and engaged residents.* The arts and creativity are the way forward. **Arts Day 2017** includes:

- The annual **Arts Day Breakfast** at the Overture Center for the Arts
- **Constituent team meetings** with legislators and administration officials, throughout the day
- **Discussions and workshops** on economic, educational, leadership, and civic issues in the arts and creativity
- **The Idea Center at Overture**, featuring sponsor exhibits, art-making with Wisconsin artists, and more
- A poetry reading by the [2017-2019 Wisconsin Poet Laureate, Karla Huston](#)
- **Free noon classical music concert** with Lawrence University Professors Catherine Kausky and Wen-Lei Gu
- The **Rabin Youth Arts Awards**, presented by the Wisconsin Youth Symphony Orchestras
- **Performances** by Wisconsin performers (details TBA)
- **Pre-Arts Day [Wisconsin Creative Summit](#)** on Wednesday, March 8, 1-5 pm, at the Overture Center - a mini-conference of networking, learning and idea-sharing, with a special panel on cultural tourism.

**Arts Day 2017 registration fees are \$40 until February 28, 2017, and \$50 thereafter**, with discounts for additional registrations from the same organization or business and for students. **Arts Day 2017** is made possible with the support of generous sponsor organizations and businesses:

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