

Teachers involved with the arts from the local schools offer one sentence on the importance of the arts in life ...



Barbara Anthony, Music, Willow River Elementary School

The arts are a whole-life pursuit and enrichment, and tap into so many areas of our minds and beings that we might not even realize the extent, nor be able to separate them from what makes us complete.

The arts are a part of everyone's everyday lives and with them, what a colorless, dull world we would live in!

Threse Kill, Fine Arts Committee, Moose Lake Community School



Robert Domecq, Art teacher, Barnum High School

The visual arts is the vehicle which sparks creative acuity and thought that can by its nature affect the trajectory of the world.

The arts represent our common humanity. We gain empathy and understanding for others when we participate in, create, and enjoy the arts. Without the arts, life would be drab.

Rebekah Lund, English teacher, Barnum High School



To adapt the words of Victor Hugo, the arts express that which cannot be put into words and that which cannot remain silent.

Genevieve Berthelot, Choir, Moose Lake Community School

The arts are important to me, specifically music, because of how they evoke emotion and teach us to be human.

Ryan Hanson, Band Director/Music Specialist, Moose Lake Community School

### upcoming events

September 22, 7 p.m.  
Moose Lake Community School Auditorium  
"Women of 1918"  
Original play by Dan Reed  
Admission: \$10

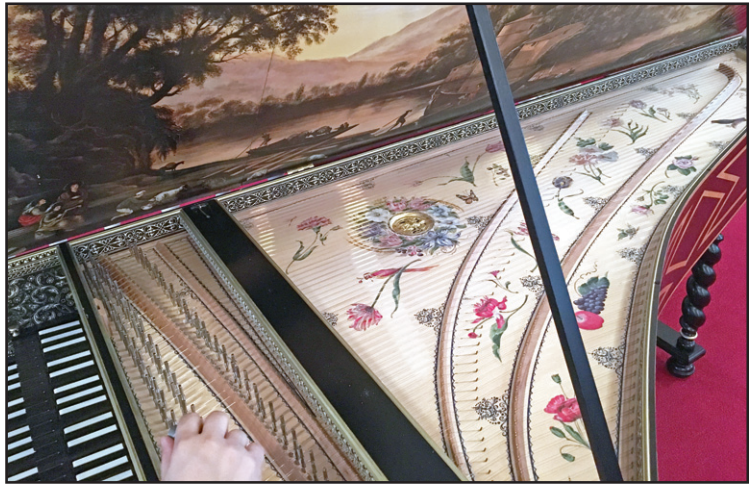
September 29, Moose Lake Arena  
Oktoberfest, live music  
Free

October 7, 2:30 p.m.  
The Complete Gamba Sonatas by J.S. Bach  
Tami Morse, harpsichord &  
Tulio Rondón, viola da gamba  
Agate Encores Community Concerts  
\$45 season tickets; \$15 at the door  
Joe Mogen (218) 485-8509  
www.agateencoresconcertseries.org

October 13, 2 p.m.  
Soo Line Event Center  
Free  
Fires of 1918 100-Year Anniversary Commemoration  
Author Curt Brown, Bus tour, debut of the completely restored 1918 Beckwith organ

October 14, 4 p.m.  
Moose Lake Community School Auditorium  
Prudence Johnson and Dan Chouinard in concert  
"Remembering the Fires of 1918"  
Music Concert  
\$18 pre-buy; \$20 at the door  
Sponsored in part by the Moose Lake Area Historical Society  
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### Bach's Gamba Sonatas



#### Submitted

The opening concert presented by the newly formed Agate Encores Community Concerts features a rather unusual instrument, which will be of interest to Moose Lake area students of all ages. The harpsichord was a very popular musical instrument from the 16th through the 18th centuries. While it is shaped like a piano and played by depressing keys, the inside mechanism is very different. Rather than a felt hammer striking the strings, the harpsichord strings are plucked, creating a very unique sound. The specific instrument that will be used on the October concert was recently built in Amsterdam by the Klinkhamer workshop. While most of today's harpsichords use plastic quills, this is the only instrument in Minnesota that can be heard publicly with bird quills. The harpsichord features beautiful interior paintings. Tami Morse who owns this harpsichord will talk about it and answer questions. Concert goes will have a chance to see it up close.

In preparation for the 2:30 concert, local student musicians will be performing in the school commons area from 1:45-2:15. The concert organizers remind the community to buy their tickets in plenty of time. Season tickets cost only \$45 for the entire four-concert season, and they are transferable. The organization depends on the financial support of the community through season ticket sales and advertising to bring professional music programs right here at home in our own local school auditorium. We'll see you at the concert on Sunday, October 7 at 2:30 p.m. Please check the website for tickets and more information: [www.agateencoresconcertseries.org](http://www.agateencoresconcertseries.org)

### Why the arts?

According to research compiled by the Perpich Center for Arts Education, based here out of Minnesota, arts education is correlated with academic success, even in mathematics. Not only that, but "Correlative studies also show a strong relationship between arts education and:

- positive emotional development that leads to stronger abilities to self-regulate
- deep engagement in learning
- motivation to learn for understanding
- a decrease in disciplinary issues in schools
- self-awareness, self-concept and self-expression
- self-efficacy and self-confidence."

To learn more, visit [http://perpich.mn.gov/index.php?section=about\\_overview\\_why-arts-education-is-important](http://perpich.mn.gov/index.php?section=about_overview_why-arts-education-is-important)

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