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Downtown West Bend Association

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# ARTWALK



# DOWNTOWN WEST BEND

BANNER ART 2014

# Downtown West Bend Association *presents* ArtWalk 2014

The Downtown West Bend Association welcomes you to the 2014 second annual ARTWALK in our beautiful Historic Downtown. It is our Banner Art Event with banners hand painted by artists to create an Outdoor Gallery on the streets of Downtown West Bend. The banners hang on the light posts on Main Street and 6th Avenue throughout the summer to the end of October. Artists are from this community and surrounding areas. They have used an acrylic medium to create the art. We are showcasing their many talents promoting our thriving cultural district.

All of the banners that have been hand painted by the artists you will find on the following pages.

Explore, enjoy and use this guide to identify the art work as you walk along the streets in our downtown area, Main Street and 6th Avenue.

We hope you will find this a wonderful experience. Please take some time to write a comment on our facebook page and let us know what you like best. [www.facebook.com/DowntownWestBendAssociation](http://www.facebook.com/DowntownWestBendAssociation)

We thank all the talented artists who have shared their time and energies to make the ArtWalk a successful event in our Historic Downtown West Bend. Without you we would not have this awe-inspiring Outdoor Gallery.

**Thank You.**

**The Downtown West Bend Association**

## 2014 ArtWalk Awards

First Place: **Diane Carlson**

Second Place: **Jim Selle**

Student Award: **Erin Richards**

**People's Choice Award:** Awarded the day of event, check out our website to see the winner. [downtownwestbend.com](http://downtownwestbend.com)

## West Bend



- ArtWalk..... Main Street & 6th Avenue  
Between Walnut Street & Hwy 33







**Artist:** Megan Velez  
**Title:** "Farmer's Market"

Student

I am a junior at West Bend East High School. I am an avid participant of my school's art program.

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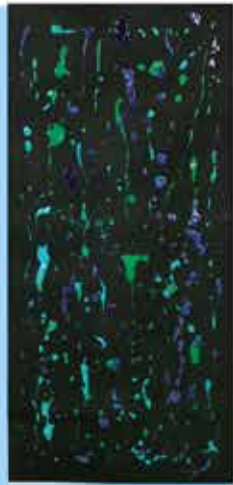


**Artist:** ARTcycle  
**Title:** "Abstract"

artcyclegallery.org

ARTcycle is an art program for adults with disabilities. We were able to have many artists participate in the creation of this piece.

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**Artist:** Alex Walters  
**Title:** "Street Art", "Arrows & Zigzags"

Student

Artwork is my way to express myself. It makes me feel good when others compliment my art. I hope you like my artwork.

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**Artist:** Mary Ambruster  
**Title:** "Iris"

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I am an oil painter primarily, but enjoy using many mediums. My art is my therapy. I am also a nurse and it helps me to cope. I teach art as a volunteer.

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**Artist:** Jeffrey Walters  
**Title:** "Primary"

Student

I admire color, freedom and nature. I hope that in some way this comes through on my banner.

Enjoy and Peace

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**Artist:** Lynn Barber  
**Title:** "In the Marsh", "Rustic Life"

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etsy.com/shop/NatureArtbylynn

The inspiration for my art comes from the beauty of nature around me. I enjoy hiking, gardening and traveling. I capture the natural world through photography from which my paintings are then created. The pictures on my banner are from my water color batiks done on rice paper.

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**Artist:** Bess Beuscher  
**Title:** "Tangled"

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My name is Bess Beuscher. I am a Milwaukee artist. I find peace and relaxation painting and drawing flowers. I find it interesting how many sections there are in these flowers that we tend not to appreciate. My goal is to make these sections visible for you to enjoy.

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**Artist:** Diane Carlson  
**Title:** "Rose Bud", "Moonlit Jimson"

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I believe everyone is born blessed with gifts from the Lord God which are treasured within our souls. Through prayerful listening and careful attention to all that is placed in our hearts, these will be revealed to each of us! I have been painting on canvas for about 10 years. Creating "Larger than Life". This is God's gift I have been blessed with, and all the Glory is His!

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**Artist:** Agness Drake  
**Title:** "Sunrise Orioles"

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Born and raised in rural Wisconsin, the natural world has always informed my creative process. I find endless inspiration from nature's colors, textures, sounds and smells.

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**Artist:** Erin Richards  
**Title:** Untitled

Student

My name is Erin Richards and I am a junior at West Bend East High School. I generally like to create things that make me happy, drawing inspiration from my own twisted image of the world around me. And, if my work makes others happy too... Even better!

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**Artist:** Kimberly Salter  
**Title:** "Passtimes by Seasons"

Student

I am a junior at West Bend East High School and have lived in West Bend my entire life. I wanted to show different pastimes by seasons.

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**Artist:** Brianna Schroeter  
**Title:** "An Evening on Main"

Student

I have always loved art and being creative. The banner is based/set during my favorite time of the year. I've always loved sitting in the gazebo and drawing, so I combined both.

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**Artist:** Lily Miller  
**Title:** "Galactic Octopus", "Meadow Monarch"

Student

I am inspired by nature to create all different types of art. I love trying out new techniques and mediums.

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**Artist:** Janine Eagon  
**Title:** "Spring"

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I enjoy painting and feel strongly that creativity is an echo of the soul. Spring is an inspiration, with all the colors that come alive.

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**Artist:** Taylor Morrison  
**Title:** Untitled

Student

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**Artist:** Jack Freiheit  
**Title:** "GLORIA"

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The purpose of this painting is simply to pay tribute to the master of creation, God. The centrality of the design dramatizes a focal point from which all meaning and life springs. The predominant color, red, illustrates the life force that the Creator has set into motion and continues to sustain by our relationship with Him.

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**Artist:** Nichole & Carley Mueller  
**Title:** "Embrace Autism -With Love From A Sister", "Woven Kindred"

Student

"Embrace Autism" was fueled by Carley's appreciation for autism. She has two brothers who are on the spectrum. "Woven Kindred" is about the spiritual journey that our family experienced while we joined two families together and became one.

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**Artist:** Vicki Gierach  
**Title:** "A Downtown Stroll"

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Elephants, the gentle giant of the Animal Kingdom! Fearlessly loyal with strong protective boundaries, family oriented and protective, circling the herd when needed. There is a lesson in the existence for us all. Created in honor of my circle of friends, and in loving memory of my mother and father.

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**Artist:** Chris Graziano  
**Title:** "Mandrill and Gorilla"

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I like art to be bold and fun. The Mandrill has the boldest colors of any mammal I know, and Gorillas are just plain cool. They are bold and tough. I teach art at Slinger High School. I also coach wrestling and football. So I guess this kind of fits my personality. The Mandrill would be the artist and the Gorilla the wrestler.

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**Artist:** Mackenzie Janisch  
**Title:** "Summer Festivities"

Student

The banner displays the downtown area of West Bend. I thought some bright colors to create an abstract feel would "Pop" when going through downtown.

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**Artist:** Jane Hamilton  
**Title:** Unknown

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**Artist:** Rebecca Meeks  
Natalie Bohn  
**Title:** "Downtown Scenery"

Student

We decided to work together on the banner as a team. We are able to exchange ideas to create visual image representing West Bend. We painted the West Bend Theatre sign on one side and on the other we painted the river flowing under the bridge.

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**Artist:** Elizabeth "Lyz" Liebherr  
**Title:** "'Sail Away, 'Fly Higher'"

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Painting fulfills my need to create, to capture the beauty of nature and express my appreciation of the world around me in my own small way. I primarily paint landscapes and waterscapes in acrylics and watercolor.

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**Artist:** Rachael Ruplinger  
Molly Mikic  
**Title:** "Colorful People"

Students

We are both graduating seniors from West Bend High School and have been taking art classes for all four years. We are also very good friends and have been since freshman year.

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**Artist:** Florent Bovier  
**Title:** "des couleurs qui petent"

Student

I am an exchange student from Switzerland and this year I am in art at West Bend East High School. I always liked the fall. The amount of trees in West Bend makes this season pretty amazing. I thought I would just paint a simple, nice tree on a beautiful day.

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**Artist:** Stephane Malkowski  
**Title:** "Doodle Tree"

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I am a West Bend resident and elementary art teacher. I say "WOW! What a beautiful place West Bend is to live in!" Coming up with the idea of a "Life Giving Tree" was simple. The tree symbolizes strength, power, longevity, beauty and unity, all traits West Bend tries to exemplify.

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**Artist:** Nadxieli Morales Diaz  
**Title:** "Golden Notes"

Student

I am a junior at West Bend East High School. I really enjoy music personally, so I wanted to show how "Music on Main" brings joy to not only me, but West Bend as a whole.

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**Artist:** Sharon Marth  
**Title:** "Symbolic Land - Scapes"

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Always enjoying art in everything. I think nature is so colorful and (un) imaginably unlimited. There are still many species of all kinds still undiscovered. Keeping an open mind - Just Imagine!

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**Artist:** Tyson Differ  
**Title:** "Glacial Hills"

Student

I draw inspiration from the glacial hills in the area. I've spent a good deal of time hiking and camping in the area, and I've always enjoyed it immensely.

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**Artist:** Holly Herman Miller  
**Title:** " Primary HArmony , "Spring Green"

I love art in all shapes and forms. I see beauty in nature and all around.

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**Artist:** Kathy Morgenroth  
**Title:** Untitled

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I love to sit and watch people in small town America. I love the energy – especially children.

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**Artist:** Nichole Mueller  
David Mueller  
**Title:** "Melodic Composites Awaits",  
"Tableau Tribute"

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Being a self-taught artist I have learned that the canvas has become an extension of who I am. It is a part of my being. It is my smile. It is my tears. It is my freedom, my voice, and the calm through my storms.

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**Artist:** Samantha Ortlieb  
**Title:** On Wisconsin"

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I am a college student at UWVC. I love the outdoors and I am majoring in forestry. I wanted to show all the wonderful things Wisconsin has to offer. From its outdoor and wildlife, to its history and beauty.

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**Artist:** Michelle Savas-Thompson  
**Title:** " West Bend Library"

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Michelle is a local Plein Air artist who enjoys capturing the energy and excitement for each location through the use of light, value, colors and brush stroke. The West Bend Library has the perfect opportunity to represent a place the community enjoys.

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**Artist:** Camille A. Walters  
**Title:** "Picasso's Girl Before a Mirror",  
"Stau of Liberty Coming to Life"

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Art is a way to make a statement without saying a word. Art is around us all the time, from the patterns on our clothes, to the way each item we own is designed... life is art. I hope my art makes you smile!

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**Artist:** Bridget Lyle Wolf  
**Title:** " Vintage West Bend"

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Ubiquitous West Bend aluminum – can't have a yard sale without it.

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**Artist:** Gloria Dawn Strickland  
**Title:** "Elements of Ancient Civilization"

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My objective is to take you to places you may have never been since art is a journey.

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**Artist:** Bradley K. Palmer  
**Title:** "Starry Tide"

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B K P Art (facebook)

Starry Tide is an art piece attempting to capture the calming night skies that sweep us off our feet.

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**Artist:** Gloria Dawn Strickland  
**Title:** "Spring Bouquet", "Irisess"

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My philosophy about painting and art is that every painting is a new learning experience, so the joy is freshness of ideas and I hope that people feel enjoyment and refreshment when they look at my paintings - the same way that I feel when I am painting.

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**Artist:** Christine Porter  
**Title:** "Just Fun Again"

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I have been an art teacher, a commercial designer and an artist. I usually work with oil crayons balancing abstract shapes and design. I love creating both colorful and neutral pieces inspired by architecture, nature and natural design and pattern. Art is an outlet for creative expression that just makes me feel good.

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**Artist:** Irene Taylor  
**Title:** "Summer Dreams With Rudbeckia"

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This favorite flower is found in all 50 states and Canada in gardens and fields. I enjoy many forms of art including electronic work and have worked and taught graphic arts. But the paintbrush rules.

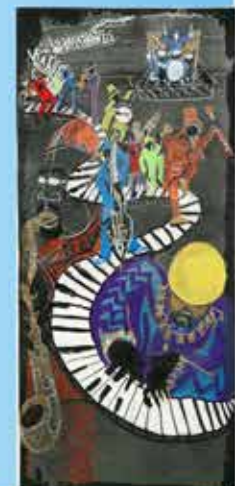
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**Artist:** Ann Powell  
Bashir Malkin

**Title:** "Walk", "Jazz Man"

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**Artist:** Everett W. Powell  
**Title:** "Butterfly"

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I am a member of the Wisconsin Watercolor Society, Kettle Moraine Artist Guild, MOWA and Transparent Watercolor Society of America. Banner, "Happiness is a beautiful butterfly, which when pursued is always just beyond your grasp, but if you sit down quietly, may alight upon you.

- Nathaniel Hawthorne

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**Artist:** Deborah Bast-Prahl  
**Title:** "Seasonal Inspiration"

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This year's banner celebrates the change of seasons in Wisconsin. I am an art teacher and artist who enjoys working in many different mediums.

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**Artist:** Elvia P. Savage  
**Title:** "Festive West Bend"

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Elviasarte (Facebook)

The sunny seasons are finally here. I was very happy to represent this on my banner. West Bend is cheerful and sunny again!

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**Artist:** K.E. Schaffer  
**Title:** "West Bend, Past, Present and Future"

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K.E. Schaffer is a West Bend based artist who uses art to frame and explore the world. In this piece the banner sides come together at the nexus point of the sun and showcase West Bend's past, present and future.

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**Artist:** Jim Selle  
**Title:** " Courthouse"

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The iconic monument in West Bend and an architectural masterpiece.

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**Artist:** Daniel Stauff  
**Title:** " Catch The Wind I & II"

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My recent foray into the history of Milwaukee forgotten River Port is the inspiration for these banners.

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