

Exhibition Title: "Beyond O'Keeffe: Contemporary Artists in Wisconsin"

Location: Monarch on Main, 110 S. Bristol Street, Sun Prairie, WI 53590

Exhibition Dates: June 9th-July 4th, 2025

Artist Reception: Friday, June 20th, 5-7pm

Curator Talk: Friday, June 27th, 7-8pm, at The Loop,

Curated by Rebecca Kautz, www.rebeccakautz.com

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Exhibition Statement:

Born in Sun Prairie, WI, Georgia O'Keeffe is celebrated as being one of the great modernist painters of the 20th century. O'Keeffe's well known abstract botanical paintings secured her a place in art history and her art world fame solidified her cultural significance here in the City of Sun Prairie. "Beyond O'Keeffe" is an exhibition of exceptional, living contemporary artists working in Sun Prairie and neighboring counties of Wisconsin. This survey of artists showcases the diverse, vibrant talent of the contemporary art landscape here in the state of Wisconsin. "Beyond O'Keeffe" is curated and organized by Sun Prairie artist Rebecca Kautz with support provided by event partners, including; Sun Prairie Chamber of Commerce, Prairie Music & Arts, and Monarch on Main in conjunction with the inaugural Sun Prairie Mural Fest in June 2025.

Exhibition & Venue Information:

Beyond O'Keeffe will be on view in the commercial lobby of Monarch on Main in conjunction with the City of Sun Prairie's inaugural Mural Fest happening June 23rd-27th. Monarch on Main is a new, luxury apartment building in downtown Sun Prairie. The building's first floor is commercial space and has a spacious light filled lobby that is open to the public Monday-Friday 9-5pm. The wide public lobby has 12 foot+ walls that can accommodate large 2d works. The art exhibition will be promoted by the City of Sun Prairie through various platforms and advertising as one of many music and art events in the city during June 16-27th, 2025. Also including Make Music Day programming on Saturday June 21st. The Mural Fest will include a calendar of special events and programming to coincide with this tourist event.

Mural Fest Dates & Information Found Here:

<https://visitsunprairie.com/event/mural-fest/>

Submission Requirements:

- only 2D work may be submitted
- Sun Prairie, Wisconsin & Dane County artists encouraged to apply.
- women, LGBTQ, minority, and disabled artists are encouraged to apply.
- Artists must live in Wisconsin.
- work completed in the last 3 years.
- No work larger than 60 inches maximum in any direction.
- Large work is encouraged.
- work must be framed, professionally presented, and ready to hang with wire.

- NO Sawtooth hangers.
- Submit **1-3 images** & accompanying documents in a single PDF file.
- Include in your PDF document: 1-3 images (including title of work, dimensions, medium, price, and year), 250 word artist statement , BIO with contact information including mailing address, email, artist website if you have it, and phone.**
- Submissions must include the items listed above. Incomplete submissions will not be considered.
- Email submissions to rebeccakautz1@gmail.com with the subject line : “Beyond O’Keeffe Submission”
- Submission Deadline: Friday May 9th, 2025**

Art Sale Information:

Work may be for sale. Sales of artwork will be handled by individual artists. Contact information and purchasing information will be on label information.

Insurance & Disclosure:

Artists are encouraged to hold individual insurance. The space will be monitored by building manager during regular business hours Monday-Friday, 9-5pm when the building is open to the Public. The lobby is monitored by security cameras. The building is closed to the public after hours and lobby doors are locked. Participating artists assume all risk of artwork on display. Participating artists agree, the exhibition venue and lead organizer will not be held liable in the unlikely event that work is lost or damaged during the exhibition.

Important Dates:

Submission Deadline: May 9th, 2025

Artist Notification: May 13th, 2025

Artwork Drop Off to Monarch: Friday June 6 , 3-5pm and Saturday June 7th 10-12pm.

Exhibition Runs: June 9th-July 4th

Artist Reception: Friday June 20th 5-7pm (open to public with artists, small refreshments served)

Curator Talk: Friday June 27th, 7-8pm, The Loop,

Artwork Pickup at Monarch: Monday July 7th 3-5pm

Contact Rebecca Kautz if these drop off or pickup times don’t work for you. Alternative arrangements can be made.

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