



SUPPORTING THE ADVENTURE OF CREATION



A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Rachel Hawkinson

We have been busy behind the scenes and we're excited to share some big news with you: we are actively working to procure a physical home for the Collective in the historic Bentz's Old Town Pump.

Art makes all of our lives more vibrant. It connects us, challenges us, and reminds us of who we are. We believe every artist has a story to tell and starts from the beginning. We also know artistic rules were meant to be broken because that's where groundbreaking ideas and individuality excel! We aim to be the proverbial "foot in the door" for anyone who loves to create!

This location would allow us to do this work more fully. It is centrally located and the perfect size for what we hope to accomplish. A space for artists to collaborate, show and sell their work and grow the art community of Casper. But to make this space successful – and sustainable for the foreseeable future – we need your help.

Fundraising is critical right now.

If you want to see the Collective thrive in a physical location, now is the moment to step in. Every contribution brings us closer to opening doors that benefit artists and the wider community alike. You can donate to us directly by visiting the donors page on our website, or by chatting with any of our board members about a specific need.

Please consider donating, sharing our fundraising efforts, participating in our new online exhibit "Fragments", volunteering or simply sharing with us what you would like to see in the future from the Collective. We need financial support to ensure that our physical space is not only opened, but successful and sustainable long-term. Together, we can build a place where artists feel welcomed, supported, and empowered to share your work, no matter where you are in your artistic journey. We believe everyone has a voice and there's always room for more art!

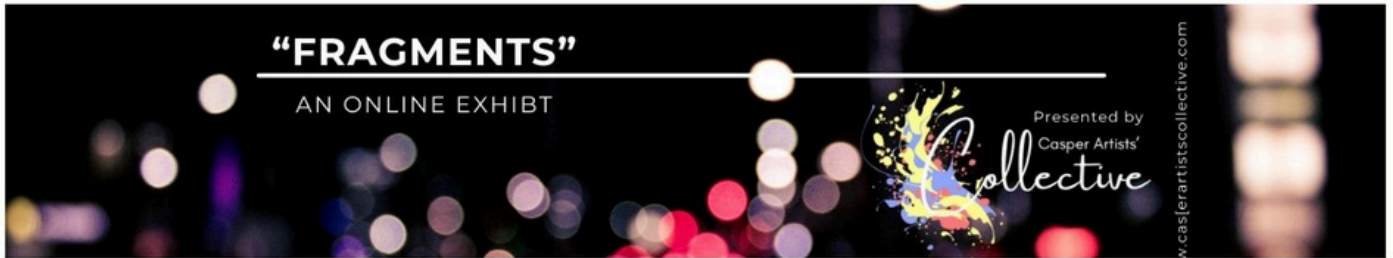
If you, or someone you know supports the arts or wants to see this historical landmark in Casper become a vibrant beacon once again, consider making a contribution to make a permanent home a reality by visiting <https://www.casperartistscollective.com/donate-or-volunteer>

Thank you for supporting each other as artists and contributing to our vision of an arts community that is intentional, inclusive, focused on local art and built to last. The future is NOW!



MEMBER BULLETIN

CALL FOR ART



We are pleased to announce a new online exhibit titled "Fragments". This virtual exhibit will allow you to share your work now while we are working on our new building.

A fragment can be a shard, a glitch, a trace, a half-remembered story, or a moment suspended in time. It can take the form of a partial narrative or imperfect art. Fragments may suggest loss, transformation, resilience, or the quiet beauty of what remains unfinished.

In addition to a piece of visual art, artists are required to pair their submission with either one word or one sentence. This text will help viewers engage with and better understand the work while deepening the exhibition's theme.

This is a juried exhibition, and space is limited to 30 selected entries. All mediums are welcome, and each CURRENT MEMBER can submit up to 3 entries. More details can be found on our Facebook page, or you can email us at casperartistscollective@gmail.com and we will send you the submission link.

DEADLINE FOR ENTRY: MARCH 31ST



NOW RECRUITING: VOLUNTEER BOARD CHAIR

FINANCIAL PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Casper Artists Collective is seeking a volunteer Board Chair to lead our Financial Planning & Development Committee and help guide the financial sustainability of our growing nonprofit arts organization.

Ideal candidates have experience in finance, fundraising, nonprofit leadership, or related fields, along with a passion for supporting the Casper arts community.

Interested? Please email a brief letter of intent outlining your experience and interest to casperartistscollective@gmail.com

Help us shape the future of the arts in Casper!

Our Mission: The Casper Artists' Collective aims to foster a community where visual arts play a central and significant role as a source of meaning, pleasure, connection and value. This organization centered clearly on the arts, welcomes all artists, promotes learning, has ties to other art groups and supports the personal adventure of creation.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

MEMBER SHOUT OUT

Marrissa Butler - Thank you for designing our shirts for Jason's Friends Bowling Fundraiser!

Michael Lyons - He rocks at selling raffle tickets, Thank you!!!!

Rachel Hawkinson and Lynn Jones - Congrats on the Governor's Capitol Art Exhibition selection!

Bruce Nichols and Cindy Phegly - Congratulations on your recent nuptials!

Jason Friend's Bowling Team - Sarah Derrico, Utaka Yanaga, Casey Hanson, Shasta Wyatt and Loree Whalen, Thank you for repping the Collective!

FUNDRAISING

Help Us Make Our New Home A Reality!



Do you like Money?? Well good because we want to give you half our 50/50 Stash! 100 of the 500 tickets are still available. That gives you a shot at winning \$2,500 Smack-a-roos! Contact any Casper Artists' Collective member or comment below to get your tickets before they are all sold out!

We are also working on updating our website donation page to allow for a monthly donation subscription, along with details for WyoGives. Because every little bit gets us closer to our new home!



Want to donate? Scan the QR code to connect to our donation page on our website.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

A solo exhibition by local silversmith and owner of T. Hawk Studio, Rachel Hawkinson, was hosted by the Red Peak Gallery with director Kathleen Willie. The show featured a collection of custom rings. While some of the rings have Wyoming collected geology integrated into them, others have living flower petals, as well as butterflies, and feathers.

The opening reception was packed and many in the community showed up to celebrate Rachel and her dedication to her craft. Cory McDaniel, Amy Gieske, and Chad Lore entertained the crowd with their musical talents.

The show was on display through the month of February. The exhibit is now on display at Mystery Print Gallery in Pinedale. Congratulations Rachel!



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Behind the scenes, we've been laying important groundwork for the future. We have been working with an attorney and are in the process of amending our bylaws to better reflect who we are as an organization and where we are headed.

If you would like to review a copy of the new proposed bylaws, have any questions or concerns, please reach out (casperartistscollective@gmail.com)

We genuinely want your input. After all, this is YOUR art organization!

The board of directors plans to vote the new bylaws into effect in April if no changes are requested by the membership.