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FEATURED ARTISTS

McCAL JOY

McCal Joy is the Healing Arts Specialist at Roger Maris Cancer Center where she spends time teaching and creating opportunities for others to express their creative selves. She has also freelanced as a local illustrator for 8 years, during which time, among many exciting projects, she has collaborated on and illustrated 12 books with several super cool authors and is currently writing her own. She is super stoked about some fun and new developments with her PetSketches hustle, which she will keep up her sleeve for a short while longer. McCal lives in Fargo with her husband, Penny the cat, and several plants (that are happy most of the time).

mccaljoy.com

ERIC A. JOHNSON

Eric A. Johnson is an artist/printmaker and adjunct art instructor at Minnesota State Community and Technical College (Detroit Lakes, MN). He creates and exhibits his own work, including his 2017 exhibit “The Nature of Things” and his newest body of work titled “Cut Away,” opening in 2020 at Rourke Art Museum in Moorhead, MN. In 2018 purchased his own etching press, a Griffin Press Co. Series IV, and has set up his own printmaking studio (Big Oak Press) in Hillsboro, ND.

eajarts.com
BEN BRICK

Ben Brick is an illustrator and brand consultant who grew up drawing funny looking characters on every homework paper. Like you, he watched cartoons and tried his best to draw what he saw. He never really quite got it right and now he just draws things this way. He says it’s his style, so he kinda gets away with it. In 2017 he decided to take a crack at drawing for a job! So far so good.

Currently Ben is working on a kids book about a small haflinger horse looking to make it big in the world when he meets the gallant and boisterous musketeer, Lorenzo, who shows him the ropes of a life of adventure.

benbrick.net

KELSEY WILLIAMS

Kelsey Williams has been an artist in the Fargo area for 7 years. She is an art teacher at Davies High School and Discovery Middle School. Her primary medium is clay and she creates functional ceramic pieces as Rising Dawn Ceramics.

risingdawnceramics.etsy.com
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