Arts Organizations

**Webster Groves Arts Commission**
WGAC is a city commission that promotes and fosters a creative arts environment in Webster Groves. It is responsible for the selection, placement, and fundraising for public art through the Public Art Fund. It also sponsors annual awards programs and is the liaison for city-based grants and awards.
4 East Lockwood, 314-963-5319, Jennifer Conrad, staff liaison, [www.webstergroves.org/art](http://www.webstergroves.org/art)

**Webster Arts**
Formerly known as the Webster Community Arts Foundation, this nonprofit sponsors and creates major arts programs such as Paint Webster, Art & Air, and the Autumn Music Series.

Performing Arts

**Opera Theatre of St. Louis**
130 Edgar Road, 314-961-0644, [www.opera-stl.org](http://www.opera-stl.org)

**Repertory Imaginary Theatre Company**
130 Edgar Road, 314-968-7344, [www.repstl.org/itc](http://www.repstl.org/itc)

**Repertory Theatre of St. Louis**
130 Edgar Road, 314-968-4925, [www.repstl.org](http://www.repstl.org)

**Theatre Guild of Webster Groves**
517 Theatre Ln., 314-968-0876, [www.theatreguildwg.org](http://www.theatreguildwg.org)

**Webster University Conservatory of Theatre Arts**
470 E. Lockwood, 314-968-7128, [www.webster.edu/conservatory](http://www.webster.edu/conservatory)

**Insight Theatre**
Heagney Theatre at Nerinx Hall
530 E. Lockwood, 314-556-1293, [www.insighttheatrecompany.com](http://www.insighttheatrecompany.com)

**Missouri Chamber Music Festival**
211 S. Elm Ave., 314-882-0053, [www.mochambermusic.org](http://www.mochambermusic.org)

Galleries

**Benjamin Guffee Studio**
601 East Lockwood, 314-315-1986

**Cecille R. Hunt Gallery at Webster University**
8342 Big Bend Blvd., 314-246-7159, [www.webster.edu/fine-arts/departments/art/hunt-gallery/](http://www.webster.edu/fine-arts/departments/art/hunt-gallery/)

**Grafica Fine Art Gallery** (gallery and framing)
7884 Big Bend Blvd., 314-961-4020, [www.graficafinearts.com](http://www.graficafinearts.com)

**Green Door Art Gallery**
21 N. Gore, 314-402-1959, [www.greendoorartgallery.com](http://www.greendoorartgallery.com)

**Krueger Pottery**
8153 Big Bend Blvd., 314-963-0180, [www.kruegerpottery.com](http://www.kruegerpottery.com)

**May Gallery at Webster University**
8300 Big Bend Blvd., 314-246-7673, [www.webster.edu/maygallery](http://www.webster.edu/maygallery)

**McCaughen and Burr** (gallery and framing)
117 W. Lockwood, 314-961-7786, [www.mccaughenandburr.com](http://www.mccaughenandburr.com)

**Old Orchard Gallery**
39 S. Old Orchard, 314-961-4433, [www.theoldorchardgallery.com](http://www.theoldorchardgallery.com)

**Webster Arts and Picture Framing**
8717 Big Bend Blvd., 314-963-3448, [www.websterpf.com](http://www.websterpf.com)

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**Education/Instruction**

**Arts and Crafts**

**Krueger Pottery**
8153 Big Bend Blvd., 314-963-0180, [www.kruegerpottery.com](http://www.kruegerpottery.com)

**Pinot’s Palette**
20 Allen Avenue, Suite 150, 314-736-6403, [www.pinotspalette.com/webstergroves](http://www.pinotspalette.com/webstergroves)

**Yucandu**
20 Allen Ave., 314-963-4400, [www.yucandu.com](http://www.yucandu.com)

**Webster Groves Parks & Recreation**
33 E. Glendale Road, 314-963-5600, [www.webstergroves.org](http://www.webstergroves.org)

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**Dance**

**MJ Performing Arts Academy**
15 S. Old Orchard, 314-986-3903, [www.mjperformingartsacademy.com](http://www.mjperformingartsacademy.com)
O’Faolain Academy of Irish Dance  

Music and Performing Arts

Community Music School  

David’s Guitar Loft  
8136 Big Bend Blvd., 314-962-9536, www.davidsguitarloft.com

Music Folk  
8015 Big Bend Blvd., 314-961-2838, www.musicfolk.com

Musical Arts Academy of Webster Groves  
23 N. Gore, #302, 314-918-0200

Webster University, Leigh Gerdine College of Fine Arts  
470 E. Lockwood, 314-968-6929, www.webster.edu/fine-arts/

Festivals and Events

Paint Webster  
Artists from the region participate in a plein air event held throughout the community on the first or second Saturday of May. A reception that displays all of the paintings is held that day. www.webster-arts.org/paintwebster

Secret Gardens of Webster Tour  
This annual May event features fine residential gardens throughout the City and is sponsored by the Webster Groves High School Parents’ Club. wghparentsclub.org/pages/garden-tour

Webster Art Fair  
This juried art show featuring over 100 juried artists from around the country is held the first weekend of June (Friday evening through Sunday) on the Eden Seminary campus and includes live music, fine food, and children’s art studios. www.webster-arts.org/artair-1/

Old Orchard Gazebo Series  
Outdoor concerts and movies offered on select Friday evenings during June and July in the City’s Gazebo Park located in the Old Orchard Business District at Big Bend and South Old Orchard.

Old Webster Jazz and Blues Festival  
A Saturday music festival featuring two stages and a day of noted musical performances held in September in the heart of Old Webster. www.oldwebsterjazzfest.com

Autumn Music Series
Webster Arts presents a series of concerts on Thursday evenings in October with diverse offerings. Held at the Wehrli Chapel on the Eden campus.  
[www.webster-arts.org/autumn-music-series](http://www.webster-arts.org/autumn-music-series)

**Lifetime Achievement in the Arts**
The City’s Arts Commission annually recognizes a Webster Groves resident for their accomplishments in the arts. Past recipients include Arthur Osver, Ernestine Betsberg, Clif and Nance St. James, Gerald Early and Ed Boccia.  
[www.webstergroves.org/lifetimeachievement](http://www.webstergroves.org/lifetimeachievement)

**Awards of Excellence**
The City’s Arts Commission sponsors this bi-annual event to recognize and honor good design in architecture, landscaping, craftsmanship, and historic preservation. Nominations are sought June – September of even years with a reception in late fall.  
[www.webstergroves.org/awardsofexcellence](http://www.webstergroves.org/awardsofexcellence)

**Public Art: Sculptures**

*Webster Groves Sculpture Garden, Kirkhm and Gore Avenues*
This garden features the following sculptures.

- Catharine Magel, *Inflorescence*, 2014 *(Gift of the Finerty Family Foundation)*
- Evan Lewis, Old School *(Gift of the Grossman Family, et al)*
- Ernest Trova, *Abstract Variation No. 1* *(Loan courtesy of St. Louis County Parks & Recreation)*
- Ernest Trova, T-Gox #7 *(Loan courtesy of St. Louis County Parks & Recreation)*
- Carol Fleming, Beginnings *(Gift of Chapman & Bakker-Arkema Families)*
- Jeane Dueber, Fiat *(Gift of Joanne and William Fogarty)*

*Allen Jones, Backflip*, 1993, (installed 2007) intersection of Lockwood Avenue and Big Bend Boulevard

*Bob Cassily, Apples*, 1993, Gazebo Park and various locations in Old Orchard.


*Jene Highstein, Window 1/3”,* Webster University campus.

*Joel Shapiro, Untitled*, Webster University campus.

*Robert Goetz, By Land By Sea By Air*, Webster University campus.

*Ernest Trova, Abstract Variation No. 3*, Webster University campus.

*Ernest Trova, Gates*, Webster University campus.

*Ernest Trova, Profile Canto L-P*, Webster University campus.

*Brother Mel Meyers, Playground of Images*, 2009 - 2010, Memorial Park.

**Public Art: Mixed Media Wall Art**

*Melody Evans, 4 Square*, ceramic tiles, 2008, Webster Groves Recreation Complex.

Edgar Road School Ceramic and Glass Mosaic, *Courtyard Community Mural*, 2007-2008, in conjunction with Catherine Magel.


**Paintings and Drawings**

**City Hall Collection**

On display in the Webster Groves City Hall, 4 East Lockwood, are 19 works of art by Webster Groves artists or featuring scenes in Webster Groves that the City has collected over the past few decades. These include

- Ernestine Betsberg, *July Fourth*, watercolor, 2000
- Arthur Osver, *Swirls*, 2006, oil
- Pieces by Marilynne Bradley, Caroline Todd, Francis Tandy, Leone Cooper, Roy Collins, Ben Guffee, Scott Bradley, and others.

**Library Collection**

The Webster Groves Public Library has an outstanding collection of artworks on display with a brochure giving the location and history of each piece available at [wgpl.org/about-the-library/art-at-the-webster-groves-public-library/](https://wgpl.org/about-the-library/art-at-the-webster-groves-public-library/)

- Paintings include those by:
  - Fred Carpenter, two paintings, charcoal; oil
  - Kathryn Cherry, four paintings, oil.
  - Fred Conway, two paintings, oil.
  - Charles Quest, oil.
  - Dawson Dawson-Watson, oil
  - Eleanor Hartwell, oil
  - Herbert Stephenson Wilson, oil
  - Alvin J. Metelman, oil
  - Nancy Berndt, acrylic
  - Rob Dreyer, three paintings, alkyd oil
  - Edward Boccia, oil