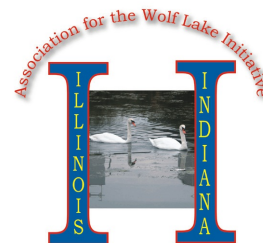


# Association for the Wolf Lake Initiative

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Planning starts for  
Greening of the Arts

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Planning is underway for the 19<sup>th</sup> annual Greening of the Arts Show and Competition which will be held in October through November at Calumet College of St. Joseph (CCSJ), 2400 New York Avenue, Whiting, and downtown Whiting.

Competition among high school and among college students begins October 11. Winners will receive the Patricia A. Hansen Prize that will be announced at the opening of the Reception and Show by local artists Friday evening, October 18, at Bernard Gallery.

As in the past, the Greening of the Arts Show and Competition features artists who use recycled materials or who focus on nature and the environment. The show ends November 13.

A poster contest for elementary school students about the Wolf Lake watershed will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday, November 16 at Whiting's Studio 659, 1413 119<sup>th</sup> St. An Artists Forum conducted by Dr. Valerie Pennanen will follow.

Winning posters will remain on exhibit through the end of the month.

To participate in any of the three events, visit the Greening of the Arts application on AWLI's website at: [www.wolflakeinitiative.org](http://www.wolflakeinitiative.org) or the Greening of the Arts entry on CCSJ's website.

Plans for the reception also include an Artists Forum conducted by Professor Walter Skiba and a musical concert, "An ode to the Environmental Education Center" performed by Abigail Pennanen and Ken Czulno.

All events are sponsored by the college and the Association for the Wolf Lake Initiative (AWLI), who held the first art show in the Environmental Education Center in Hammond. The bi-state, not-for-profit organization and land trust seeks to protect and enhance the thousands of acres that comprise the Wolf Lake watershed.

AWLI serves a population base of 3.4 million.

Planners for the Greening of the Arts events are Michael Boos, executive director of AWLI; Paul Restivo, curator of the Bernard Gallery at the college; Valerie Pennanen, secretary of AWLI and professor emerita of history at Calumet College; and Martin Martinez of Calumet College and former Bernard Gallery curator.

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