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**Kerredge Gallery  
Letters Home**

contemporary  
letterpress art by  
Vida Sačić  
August 9-31, 2019

**Reception**  
Friday, August 9  
6-8pm

**Demo & Talk**  
Tuesday, August 13  
6-7:30

**Youth Gallery**  
Gabriel Clark &  
Kellan Heikkila  
Artwork by 2018 Isle  
Royale Teen Artists in  
Residence

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**Kerredge Gallery Exhibition: Letters Home**

Contemporary letterpress art by Vida Sačić

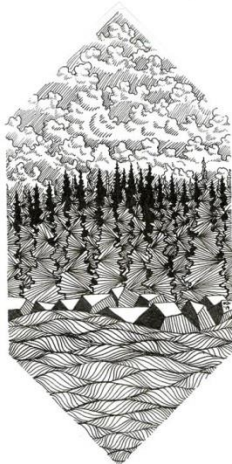
Opening reception: Friday, August 9th from 6-8pm

Letterpress talk & demonstration: Tuesday, August 13th from 6-7:30

Vida Sačić is an artist, designer, and educator who creates work that blurs the distinctions between these areas. She grew up in Croatia, former Yugoslavia, and moved to the Midwest as a teenage exchange student. She attended Marian University in Indianapolis, Indiana. After working as an Art Director in international advertising companies, Vida earned a Master of Fine Arts degree from Indiana University Bloomington and focused on working with typography in a non-commercial setting. She uses letterpress printing to teach principles of design and typography, as well as collaboration and communication while emphasizing research, process and expression. Her work explores language, identity and memory. Sačić is currently an Associate Professor of Art at Northeastern Illinois University in Chicago, where she serves as the coordinator and is the author of the Bachelor of Fine Arts program in Graphic Design.

**Letters Home** is a selection of her prints, created in the last seven years on her Vandercook printing press. In her statement she explains, "The prints shown here tell stories about my ancestors and my origins in word and abstract images. I work with printing plates as well as metal and wood pieces of type to physically put letters together to make words and shapes. The resulting prints feature English as well as my native language, woven together. Many prints feature characters with diacritic marks, specific to my native language. My stories are told not only in word but also in image through color, composition and gesture. I am interested in language as a visual presence. I see my working process as a translation of memories into word fragments endowed with typographic bodies that occupy a space between the literal and the abstract. The subject of each print is a story of people, family and connection."

Vida Sačić is our first Artist in Residence at the Copper Country Community Arts Center's Letterpress Studio. In addition to her gallery exhibition she will be working on site. We hope you will come and meet her at one or both of our events!



**2018 Isle Royale Teen Artists-in-Residence Art Exhibition**

During the month of August the Youth Art Gallery will feature artwork by the 2018 Isle Royale National Park Teen Artists-in-Residence, Gabriel Clark (Charlotte, MI) and Kellan Heikkila, (Chassell, MI).

Kellan Heikkila states, "I work in a variety of media, including charcoal, ink, and gouache paint. Through my work, I try to deconstruct what I see and reassemble it in a way that shows its quirks and interesting bits. Art is my hobby; although I'm pursuing and career in engineering, I still plan to continue with art in the future."

Gabriel Clark states, "My residency was one of the most amazing experiences of my life: waking up every morning and watching the sunrise over Lake Superior. I knew the day would be an adventure full of lessons and challenges that would improve my character as a person and as an artist. I wouldn't exchange those experiences for the world. My teen artist experience influences my art: flowing glazes and rugged finishes."



This year marks the fourth year of Isle Royale National Park's Teen Artist Exploration Program. Isle Royale National Park, Isle Royale & Keweenaw Parks Association, and the Copper Country Community Arts Council sponsor the program. For more information visit [www.nps.gov/isro](http://www.nps.gov/isro).



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## UPCOMING SUMMER CLASSES & PROGRAMS IN AUGUST

### Artist News!

There will be an exhibition of Copper Country art by Alden Steck in Eagle River at the Houghton Township Hall. This special opportunity to see his work was coordinated by his family with support by the Keweenaw County Historical Society. There will be an opening reception on Wednesday, August 7th from 6-8pm. Other times are: August 9, 10, 14, 16, 17, 21, 23, 24 from noon-4pm.

Alden Steck was an early artist in the Copper Country. He taught art classes from the back of his flower shop in Calumet. Jan Manniko was one of his students. The CCCAC is fortunate to have two of Alden Steck's paintings in its permanent collection.

### New in the Artists Market

Pottery - Lindsey Heiden, Kenyon Hanson, and Paige Gwyn; color pencil drawings - Cynthia Coté; watercolor notecards - Clarence Fisher; Spirit Stories book by Stephen Hadden with drawings by Cynthia Coté.

### Artisan Soap Making with Gary Olds

Session I: Weds. Aug 7, 1-5pm

Session II: Weds. Aug 28, 4-8pm

**(Choose either session)**

**Fee:** \$50 members; \$60 non-members includes all supplies.

**Deadline:** July 31 or August 21.

### Handmade Paper with Gary Olds (FULL)

**Friday, August 16 from 1-4pm**

**Fee:** \$50 members; \$60 non-members. **Deadline:** August 9.

### Letterpress Demo with Artist-in-Residence Vida Sačić

**Tuesday, August 13 from 6-7pm**

### Drawing Your Inner Animal with Tammy Gajewski

**Saturdays, August 17 & 24 from 10am-Noon**

**Fee:** \$45 members; \$55 non-members. **Deadline:** August 10.

### Loose and Easy Watercolor Fruit with Madhura Mehendale

**Thursdays, August 22 & 29 from 5-7pm**

**Fee:** \$50 members; \$60 non-members. **Deadline to register:**

**August 15.**

### Hammered Copper Jewelry with Gary Olds

**Session I: Weds. Aug 21, 5-8pm**

**Session II: Fri. Aug 30, 1-4pm (Choose either session)**

**Fee:** \$55 members; \$65 non-members. **Deadline:** Aug. 14/23.

