



John Michael Kohler Arts Center

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John Michael Kohler Arts Center Announces New Director of Development

The John Michael Kohler Arts Center in Sheboygan, Wisconsin, has named Nancy Allison as its new director of development. She assumed her new role on February 5.

“Nancy brings a distinctive and invigorating mix of experience and expertise to the Arts Center. The entire JMKAC team and I eagerly anticipate tapping into her knowledge of the arts and development, along with her leadership prowess, to enhance the organization’s fundraising initiatives. Committed to our mission of fostering a creative exchange, she will play a key role in cultivating a culture of philanthropy, showcasing the Arts Center’s impactful journey, made possible by generous community support.” said Arts Center Director Amy Horst.

As director of development, Allison oversees fundraising programs and operations for the Arts Center and manages a portfolio of major-gift donors, foundations, and corporate sponsors. She will also serve as liaison to the board of directors and staff the board’s development committee.

Allison most recently was senior donor services officer at the Pittsburgh Foundation in Pittsburgh, where she served as philanthropic advisor to high-net-worth donors, corporations, and organizations. Before joining the Pittsburgh Foundation in 2020, she was a development associate for individual giving at the Penland School of Craft in Penland, North Carolina. In that role, she directed the annual fund, secured major gifts as part of a \$32 million fundraising campaign, and led the scholarship program.

Allison holds an MBA and Master of International Development from the University of Pittsburgh, and a BA in international studies and German from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

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About the John Michael Kohler Arts Center

Founded in 1967, the John Michael Kohler Arts Center (JMKAC) is dedicated to generating creative exchanges between an international community of artists and a diverse public. Central to its mission is promoting understanding and appreciation of the work of self-taught and contemporary artists through original exhibitions, commissioned works of art, performing arts, community arts initiatives, and publications.

The Arts Center's collection focuses primarily on works by artist-environment builders, self-taught and folk artists, and works created in the Arts/Industry residency program. JMKAC is the world's leading center for research and presentation of artist-built environments.

In 2021, the Arts Center opened the Art Preserve, a satellite campus highlighting its collection of 25,000 individual works of art by more than 30 art-environment builders. The Art Preserve features immersive displays of art environments and curated visible storage of environment components. It also serves as a resource for research on art environments and the artists who create them.

The John Michael Kohler Arts Center is located at 608 New York Avenue, Sheboygan, WI. The Art Preserve is located at 3636 Lower Falls Road, Sheboygan. Admission to both is free. For more information, call 920-458-6144, or visit jmkac.org, Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram.

The John Michael Kohler Arts Center is supported by corporate and foundation donors, government grants, and its many members. The Arts Center is not an entity of Kohler Co. or its subsidiaries.

Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Thursday: 10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

Saturday, Sunday: 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Locations

John Michael Kohler Arts Center: 608 New York Avenue, Sheboygan, WI

Art Preserve: 3636 Lower Falls Road, Sheboygan, WI