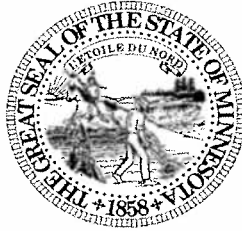


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MARK DAYTON
GOVERNOR

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Jan Sivertson

Post Office Box 526
Grand Marais, MN 55604
County of Cook
Congressional District 8

Because of the special trust and confidence I have in your integrity, judgment, and ability, I have appointed and commissioned you to have and to hold the office of:

AT-LARGE MEMBER

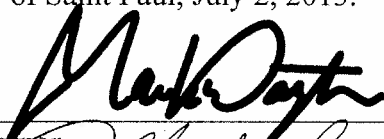
MINNESOTA STATE ARTS BOARD

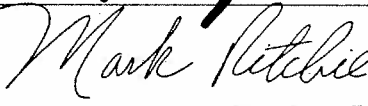
Effective: July 7, 2013
Term Expires: January 6, 2014

This appointment carries with it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the Capitol in the City of Saint Paul, July 2, 2013.




Governor


Secretary of State

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Replacing: Pam Perri Weaver

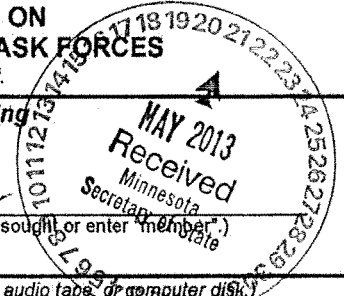
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STATE OF MINNESOTA
OPEN APPOINTMENTS APPLICATION FOR SERVICE ON
STATE AGENCIES, BOARDS, COUNCILS, COMMISSIONS or TASK FORCES
All information on this form is available to the public upon request.

Part I - Tell us about the Position to which you are applying
 Required Information (MN Stat § 15.0597 Subd. 5.)

Agency Name: Minnesota State Arts Board
 (Name of board, council, commission or task force.)

Position Sought: board member
 (Membership position sought or enter "member".)



By request, this application will be made available in alternative format (for example, braille, large print, audio tape, or computer disk.)

Part II - Tell us about Yourself
 Required Information (MN Stat § 15.0597 Subd. 5.)

Applicant Name: Jan Sivertson
 (First Name) (Last Name)

Preferred Phone: (218) 387-2838

Preferred Mailing Address: P.O. Box 526
 (Preferred Mailing Address)

E-MAIL: jan@sivertson.com

Grand Marais MN 55604
 (City) (State) (Zip)

County: Cook

MN House of Rep Dist: 3A US House of Rep Dist: 8
 Find your districts by using the Poll Finder at:
<http://pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us/>

Have you ever been convicted of a felony:
 Yes _____ No X

Did the Appointing Authority suggest you submit your application? Yes _____ No ✓

Please attach a cover letter, current resume, or other information that you feel would be helpful to the Appointing Authority.

Part III: OPTIONAL STATISTICAL INFORMATION

*The following information is optional and voluntary (MN Stat § 15.0597 Subd. 5).
 Information is collected for, and compiled in, the annual report on the open appointments process pursuant to MN Stat § 15.0597 Subd. 7.*

Sex: Female X
 Male _____

Age: 59

Disability: Yes _____
 No ✓

Political Party:
 Democratic-Farmer-Labor
 _____ Independence
 _____ Republican
 _____ No Party Preference
 _____ Other _____

Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?
 Yes _____
 No ✓

Race: _____ African American or Black
 (Pick as many as apply) _____ American Indian or Alaska Native
 _____ Asian or Pacific Islander

✓ White or Caucasian
 _____ Other Race _____

Part IV: Signature and Submittal Instructions

I swear that, to the best of my knowledge, the above information is correct and that I satisfy all legally prescribed qualifications for the position sought. (*If another person or group is nominating the applicant, the applicant's signature indicates consent to nomination.)

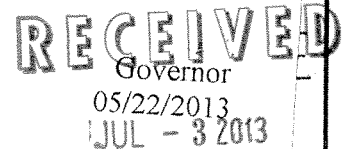
Jan Sivertson
 (Signature of Applicant)

5/13/2013
 (Date)

MAIL OR SUBMIT IN PERSON:
 Office of Secretary of State
 Open Appointments
 180 State Office Building
 100 Rev Dr Martin Luther
 King Jr Blvd
 St. Paul, MN 55155-1299

Phone: (651) 297-5845
 Email: open.appointments@state.mn.us
 Online application:
<http://www.sos.state.mn.us/index.aspx?page=5>

Applicants will not receive an acknowledgement of submitted applications; the appointing authority will notify you if an interview is desired.



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May 20, 2013

Mark Ritchie
Secretary of State
Minnesota

Dear Mr. Ritchie,

Re: my application to become a member of the Minnesota State Arts Board.

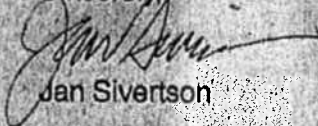
I am very interested in becoming a member of the Minnesota State Arts Board. I have lived my entire life on the North Shore of Lake Superior, the largest fresh water lake in the world, and have been involved in art that celebrates a lifestyle of living in harmony with THE lake and all that she creates. I grew up in a humble commercial fishing family (3rd generation) who lived from the harvests the lake provided, a nomadic lifestyle of living on the whole north shore, Isle Royale in the summer and Duluth to Grand Marais in the winter. My father broke the 'commercial fishing' chain in his youth and turned to art in order to tell his family's story.

I have lived in the present modern world with a rich cultural heritage to draw on for grounding. I have managed to make my living in the art business working with many great regional artists and have traveled the north, making a strong connection between the art of Inuit people of the north and the art of northern Minnesota. I have seen many similarities and have learned to understand 'where art comes from' in its basic and raw forms and to understand how important art is to the evolution of a culture, especially in remote communities.

I would love to participate and contribute to the arts in Minnesota by becoming a member of the Minnesota State Arts Board, and of course, I want to help my community grow in the arts. I would draw on my rich and primitive experiences which may be quite different from the other members of the board. I have also had a lot of nonprofit board experience and deep art and business experience to make my contributions (hopefully) valuable. I have attached a resume and my application.

I understand that there are a few openings coming up in the next couple of months. I would like to be considered as a representative from Northeastern Minnesota. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Jan Sivertson

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Professional Summary

Jan Sivertson is the owner of *Sivertson Gallery, art of the north*, in Grand Marais, Minnesota and *Sivius* in Duluth, Minnesota. Her career in the art business began in 1980. In addition to her art business she has served on several art and tourism boards over the past 33 years.

Jan's experience with art and artists began in her family. Her father, Howard Sivertson is a visual artist who made his living painting the scenes, history and cultural heritage of the region, from the characters who settled in the Boundary Waters, families who fished on Isle Royale, to the history of the Fur Trade. Jan and her sister, Liz, are also visual artists. Working with artists in the business of art has become Jan's stronger skill and passion.

Jan has worked with hundreds of visual artists in Northeastern Minnesota as well as traveling to the far north to work with Canadian Inuit and Alaskan Eskimo artists for over 30 years. She has a deep and intimate understanding of the meaning and importance of art in remote regions of the north from a business and cultural perspective.

Core Qualifications

- business management - 33 years
- artist professional development - 33 years
- sales and marketing - 33 years
- community leadership - 30 years
- 30 years of nonprofit experience and service
- 5 years of government experience
- 40 years of design and aesthetic development
- understanding of remote communities and the arts
- understanding group dynamics through studying the enneagram - 10 years

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Work Experience Highlights

- 1980 - present: created, owned and operated Sivertson Gallery in Grand Marais, MN
- 1981 - 1993: managed Lutsen Mountains Ski Shop (winters)
- 1995 - present: created, owned and operated Sivertson Gallery in Duluth, MN, changing the name and branding to Siiviis in 2012 in order to differentiate its identity from the Sivertson Gallery brand
- 1997 - 2000: created, owned and operated Sivertson Gallery in Bayfield, WI

Community, Government and Nonprofit Service

1981 - 1987 Grand Marais Art Colony, Grand Marais, MN 55604: Jan was on the founding nonprofit board of Grand Marais Arts Inc. after Birnie Quick, founder of the Grand Marais Art Colony died.

1986 - 1990 Lutsen Tofte Tourism Association, Lutsen, MN

1986 - 1990 Arrowhead Regional Arts Council, Duluth, MN

1995 - 2001 Duluth Art Institute, Duluth, MN

1996 - 2002 Duluth Waterfront Mixed Used - Design Review Committee, Duluth, MN

1998 - 2004 Grand Marais Area Tourism Association, Grand Marais, MN

2004 - 2010 North House Folk School, Grand Marais, MN

2006 - 2009 Cook County Economic Analysis Group (a citizen volunteer group devoted to creating a comprehensive economic report which is used extensively today throughout Cook County)

2008 - 2010 Cook County EDA

2008 - present: North Shore Management Board

2012 - present: 'Go Cook County' economic study group led by Northspan of Duluth to create a unified voice, a unified plan or set of guidelines that all units of government, all nonprofits, all businesses and service organizations can use for long range planning in order to create prosperity for all in Cook County.

2008 - present: Grand Marais City Council

current: Cook County Chamber of Commerce (founding this organization)

2010 - present: Grand Marais Library Board

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Presentations and Travel:

Presented on *the business of art* for the Canadian Consulate at the Inuit Arts Festival in Inuvik, Northwest Territories; White Horse, Yukon; St. Johns, Newfoundland; Iqaluit, Nunavut; worked with small crafts/art groups in Toronto and in Thunder Bay, Ontario.

Taught art, specifically batik, with a Mayan batik artist in the Sian Kaan, Mexico several weeks for *Living Adventure* in Bayfield, Wisconsin, over that past 20 years.

Education:

1971 - 1973: Bemidji State College

1976 - 1979: University of Minnesota, Duluth, graduating with a BS in art education and a BFA in studio art

Referrals:

Amy Demmer, Executive Director, Grand Marais Art Colony: 218-387-2737;
director@grandmaraisartcolony.org

Jay Anderson, Past Director of Grand Marais Art Colony and news director for WTIP radio in Grand Marais: 1-800-473-9847, jay@wtip.org

Greg Wright, Executive Director of North House Folk School: gwright@northhouse.org,
1-888-387-9762

Gail Green, owner Living Adventure: gail@livingadventure.com, 1-715-779-9503, ext. 3

Jim Boyd, Cook County Higher Education: jboyd@northshorecampus.org

Tim Cochrane, NPS Superintendent, Grand Portage National Monument: 218-475-0123

Dana Boyle, Canadian Consulate (past): 1-651-895-5821, DBoyle@lifesciencealley.org

Teresa Sterns, Sterns & Associates: 1-651-338-2180, sterns@sternsassoc.com

Betsy Bowen, artist: betsy@woodcut.com, 1-218-370-8077

Howard Hedstrom, president Hedstrom Lumber: howard@hedstromlumber.com

Rita Plourde, executive director, Sawtooth Mountain Clinic:
rita@sawtoothmountainclinic.org

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