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**Upcoming Events**

**Sept 18 - Smithsonian Magazine Museum**

Upcoming events are being planned & will be posted soon.

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**September 2021 AAUW Meeting**

We've all missed seeing each other at regular meetings, and we have an opportunity to gather on the **Smithsonian Magazine Museum Day**, in which our local National Buffalo Museum is participating.

**When?** Saturday, **September 18**, at 10:00 am

**What?** A free tour of the Buffalo Museum, followed by a brief meeting and report from our NYCWSL recipient Larissa Oster

**Where?** Meet in lobby of the Buffalo Museum, Frontier Village

**Who?** All AAUW members and guests - this would be a great opportunity to invite prospective members.

**How?** In order for your entrance to be free, you need to register at the following link. You're given 2 tickets, so several of us will do that to insure we have extras for those who don't have internet access or whatever.

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/museumday>

**Why?** There have been many changes in the Buffalo Museum with new interactive areas for children, etc, so if you haven't been there for awhile this will be a nice chance to get updated.

Also the traveling exhibit entitled ***I AM BISON*** is wonderful. (See page 2 information about the Patty Swygert Exhibition.)

If weather allows we'll hold our meeting on the observation deck. If not, an alternative indoor spot might be the schoolhouse. An abundance of bars preserved from the Garden Tour might appear!

We sure hope you can come!

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**The intentional error in last month's newsletter...**



# I AM BISON

A Patty Swygert Exhibition



*Bison Herd, mixed media on fabric, 19" x 36"*

*I AM BISON* is a mixed-media installation that captures the bison's journey from Asia thousands of years ago to a new and hospitable home in North America, its sustenance of humans, its near extinction in a few decades by European settlers, and the remarkable rebuilding of the species. North America was tragically close to losing these majestic mammals, but through the efforts of a few far-sighted individuals, bison still thrive across the continent.

## ARTIST STATEMENT

I love stories, especially those which feature an underdog and involve numbers. The story of the bison has both of those characteristics. From the first animals which crossed into North America from Asia, bison flourished until millions roamed the continent for millennia before being reduced to fewer than 1,000 animals in just a few decades and then brought back from the brink of extinction.

Using paint, ink, earth pigments, soil, dyes, thread and yarn on paper, fabric, and found objects, I offer glimpses of these remarkable animals from the first animals crossing Beringia to modern day herds. Most pieces are hand-sewn which allows me the time to trace the bison's story and communicate through my fingers, media, thread, and yarn the bison's imprint on our landscape and culture.

## BIOGRAPHY

Patty Swygert is a conceptual and visual sculptor and fiber artist living in Earlysville, VA. Her work has been exhibited locally, nationally, and internationally. Individual pieces range in size from micro sculptures less than 2 inches to room-sized installations. She works in various media including concrete, LED lights, paper, fabric, fiber, metal, wood, stone, glass, and repurposed and found objects. Often experiential and interactive, tactile and touchable, some of her pieces capture light, texture, and color while others address more controversial social issues, global crises, and the fate of humans and animals as they navigate a changing world.



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## 2021 AAUW GARDEN TOUR

Connie Lillejord and Erin Klein, Tour Co-Coordinators



The 31st Garden Tour was held on July 21, 2021. The weather cooperated, but it was a bit warm. A few sprinkles didn't stop the fun. A little bit of smoke from the wildfires in Canada added to the evening. The number of tickets sold is estimated to be about 230, although the number touring the gardens was probably closer to 200.

This is a great annual project, and many women will benefit from the educational funding because of the monies we have raised. An added benefit is that the tour takes us to backyards that are often unseen from the street. So many gems hiding around town. It is nice to give recognition to the wonderful gardeners who share the results of their talents and creativity.

The sign-in sheet that was at Dixie Lee's house this year told the story. We had visitors for the tour from 13 North Dakota towns outside of Jamestown!! Visitors came from: Adrian, Buchanan, Carrington, LaMoure, McKenzie, Minot, Montpelier, New Rockford, Spiritwood, Steele, Valley City, West Fargo, and Wimbledon. In addition, we had visitors from the states of Texas, Wisconsin, Kansas, and Minnesota and one visitor from Switzerland.

We were also given seed Butterfly Garden packets (80 of them and free to us) from Pheasants Forever chapter (Ken McDougall) to give away for free to some of our first visitors – people were delighted to receive them.

Ticket Sales were \$2200. Expenses were \$435.31. Profit: \$1764.69. Our AAUW members are each sent five tickets to sell also and their participation in selling or making a donation for this project is so important to the final profit. We give the entire net profit to the UJ Endowment & AAUW Foundation.

Thank you to all of the families who opened up their yards for this event and to all of the volunteers who helped make it possible. Lists of potential tour sites have been compiled for the following year. Any time that someone knows of someone who might be willing to show their gardens – that information is greatly appreciated. For more information or if you are interested in being a host garden, contact [Connie Lillejord at 701-269-2430](mailto:Connie.Lillejord@aauw.org) or [Erin Klein at 701-320-4560](mailto:Erin.Klein@aauw.org).

**Your AAUW needs YOUR help.**



# Help Wanted

1. Have **YOU** been to **your** Bookstore?
2. Your bookstore needs volunteers for 2 days (Monday or Thursdays) each week.
3. Store hours are 10AM-4PM but are flexible. If we had enough people to cover those 2 days, the hours could be shared for 2 to 4 hours.
4. The Dakota Store are staffed with their people.
5. The bookstore staff are their to promote our store, help people find books, etc.
6. Orientation for those who can help.... *Please!*





## AAUW Rocks the Block with the UJ Students

Branch members again participated in the annual welcoming of the incoming freshman students at the University of Jamestown "Rock The Block" party on main street on August 25. Our table display included information about our used book store, tech savvy program, free national AAUW membership for UJ students and our scholarship support. It was a fun evening handing out candy and bookstore bookmarks.



## Signing the Equality Bus

AAUW members also had a display at the [Vote Equality 2021 Midwest Bus tour](https://voteequality.us) on August 27 in Jamestown. The bus is touring North Dakota and the Midwest to educate people on equality. They are talking to people about their fight to ratify a 28th amendment to the constitution and encouraging them to sign the bus to show support. The Vote Equality Movement is a nonpartisan grassroots effort to add a constitutional amendment guaranteeing equal rights regardless of gender, race or sexual orientation, including equal voter rights. AAUW membership table at the event! Click: [Homepage - Vote Equality! 28th Amendment \(Equal Rights\)](https://voteequality.us) (https://voteequality.us )



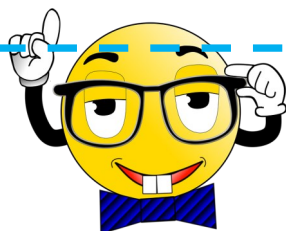
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# Giant Sudoku

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| C | 8 | 1 |   |   | 9 | 6 |   |   |   | D |   |   | G |   |   |
|   | E |   |   | 8 |   |   | A |   |   | 5 | 6 |   |   |   |   |
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