

BECOMING A FRIEND OF THE PAINTED FOREST

All who are interested in Wisconsin art, especially “outsider art” and artists, are now invited to join *The Friends of the Painted Forest*. Friends will support this important project in various ways—volunteering service as docents, caretakers, educators, lecturers, or historians. Friends may work at the site or help with Edgewood College-based projects. The Friends will also develop a fund whose income will provide funding for programs, workshops, scholarships and supplies.

Friends of the Painted Forest will receive:

Updates on programs and developments related to the Painted Forest and Edgewood College Art Studio & Study Center

Information about Edgewood College Arts events

Join today—use the attached membership form or for more information, contact:

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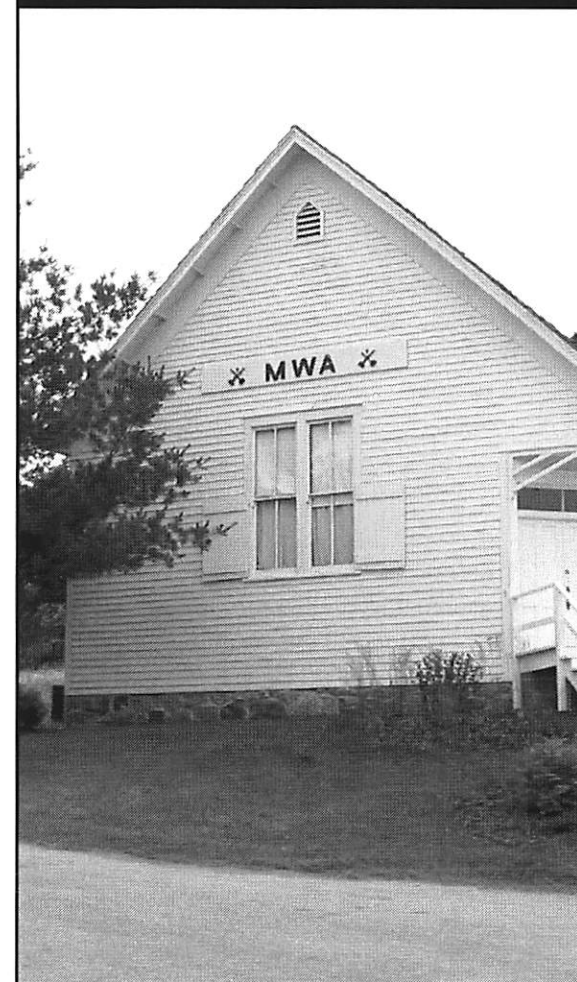
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THE PAINTED FOREST

Historic Folk Art
Valton, Sauk County, Wisconsin



Become a Member

FRIENDS OF THE PAINTED FOREST

Join us – become a *Friend of The Painted Forest!*

The Painted Forest, a unique historic art site located in Valton, Sauk County, Wisconsin, needs friends who will collaborate with Edgewood College and the Kohler Foundation, Inc. in the artistic and educational mission of the site and its conservation.

In the late 1890s, an itinerant German painter, Ernest Hupeden, was asked by the local members of the Modern Woodmen of America (a fraternal insurance group) to paint a stage backdrop for their meeting lodge or “camp.” The group liked Hupeden’s painting so much they asked him to paint the interior walls of the lodge. He eventually covered every square inch of the interior, including the ceiling, with murals depicting the rituals of MWA initiation and a vision of the future “metropolis” of Valton.

The Kohler Foundation, Inc., recognized internationally for support of the arts and for art conservation and preservation, purchased the site in 1980 and arranged for the restoration of the remarkable murals. On October 2, 2004, the Kohler Foundation presented the site to Edgewood College to serve as the new “guardian.” The Kohler Foundation and Edgewood College have recently collaborated in the construction of an art studio on site, as well as the development of educational programs, workshops, and arts presentations for the public.

THE FRIENDS OF THE PAINTED FOREST MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone (Work) _____ Phone (Home) _____

Fax _____ E-Mail _____

Annual Membership Categories (Please check one):

_____ Student/Senior \$10 _____ Active \$20 _____ Institutional \$50

_____ New Member _____ Renewal

_____ Check for \$ _____ enclosed (Please make checks payable to Edgewood College)

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Advancement Office
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