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Bob Ross Color-by-Number

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The Veteran and Nontraditional Student Center at the University of Wisconsin-Superior hosted a Bob Ross Color event March 20. All students were encouraged to stop by and enjoy snacks and drinks while coloring some of Bob Ross's paintings.

In attendance was Robin Pfuhl, a certified Bob Ross instructor, who provided students with information about Bob Ross and supported staff by providing the resources necessary to run the event.

Students gathered around the tables and were able to scan through the Bob Ross Color-by-Number book. This is a coloring book that features over 90 landscapes from "The Joy of Painting," which includes a color key, allowing for a relaxing way to engage with Bob Ross's art, regardless of skill level.

Students could also watch a

couple of episodes from "The Joy of Painting," which was playing on an overhead TV, to help get into a relaxing mood and learn about what he did.

The event also served as a way to help students learn what resources the VNSC has to offer. Lynn Lowney, the VNSC coordinator, spoke about what they provide.

"Our focus is to provide resources and offer a safe space for veterans and nontraditional students. It's a little bit weird being on a college campus with traditionally 18 to 24-year-olds when you don't fit that mold," Lowney said. "So just having a safe place to be and where you are probably going to run into other people in your same category, I think it's comforting. So that's who we focus on, but of course, all students are welcome at all of our events."

She also spoke on the location of the VNSC center and acknowledged that it's a little bit out of the way on campus, and by hosting events like

this one, more students can make their way over and learn where it is, and learn about the resources they offer.

Although events revolving around crafts are a relatively new venture for the VNSC, the ideas don't stop here.

"We haven't done any crafty events yet; this is our first, but if there's a good turnout, I would love to do it again, a little more in-depth. I'm thinking with an option of coloring, because not everyone is a painter, and I want to respect that. If we can figure out a knitting class or something just to relax, learn a new skill, or enjoy an old one," Lowney said.

The VNSC is looking forward to the future planning of next year's events for students on campus.



People coloring at the VNSC Bob Ross Event March 20. Photo by Cheyanne Warner | Promethean

Promethean wins seven WNA awards

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Congratulations to the Promethean staff for winning seven awards in the Wisconsin Newspaper Association Foundation 2025 College Better Newspaper Contest!

The Promethean won two first place awards, one second place, one third place, and three honorable mentions.

The 2025 Better Newspaper Contest had a total of 23 categories including five new categories: Lifestyle Story, Club/Intramural Sports Story, Business Coverage, Technology Coverage, and Environmental Coverage.

Staff won first place in Lifestyle Story and Environmental Coverage, second in Use of Multimedia, third

in News Photography, and honorable mentions in Club/Intramural Sports Story, Technology Coverage, and Column Writing.

Submitted to the Lifestyle Story category were Maddie Schaffer's "UWS Celebrates Black History Month with Annual Soul Food Dinner," Jennifer Cadotte's "University of Wisconsin-Superior Celebrates Indigenous Peoples' Day with Ojibwe Cultural Exhibition" and her "UWS'S Red Cross Day," and Emmett Appleby's "Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion at the University of Wisconsin-Superior."

Credited reporters were Emmet Appleby, Patrick Douglas, Jennifer Cadotte, Abby Hoffman, Hannah Hutton, Noa Mikami, Brendyn Otradovec, Maddie Schaffer, Xavier Walt, Maison Wiberg, and Daniel Young. These 11 staffers earned this award through their articles and photos they provided.

Staff also received first place in Environmental Coverage thanks to Ella Day (formerly Ella Hill), Noa Mikami, Maison Wiberg, and Alicia Zoltowski. Submitted articles include Ella Day's "Wisconsin Point brings back Ishkode 'Good Fire'" and her social media video on the Wisconsin Point prescribed burn, as well as Maison Wiberg's "UW-Superior is Ready to Go Solar."

Second place went to previous staffers Sama (Sky) Abdullayeva, Carter Lansdale, Maddie Schaffer, and Xavier Walt for the Use of Multimedia. Submitted were Xavier Walt's "UW-Superior's Master of Jazz Retires," the 2025 May Promethean Podcast, and Xavier Walt's video coverage "Music Professor Greg Moore Retires From UWS."

Third place went to Ella Day and Alicia Zoltowski for their News Photography coverage on the Wisconsin Point controlled burn. Submitted were Ella Day's "Wisconsin Point brings back Ishkode 'Good Fire,'" and three of Alicia Zoltowski's photos of the prescribed burn that captured the monumental event. Her photo of the Fond Du Lac elder and Superior mayor, of the firefighters clearing a fire break, and the firefighters standing in a circle.

An honorable mention in Club/Intramural Sports coverage went to Patrick Douglas, Abby Hoffman, Noa Mikami, Xavier Walt, Maison Wiberg, and Daniel Young. Submitted were Xavier Walt's "SCCU Stadium Set to Host First

Intramural Sports Games," Daniel Young's "UWS Athletics Department Announces Three New Offerings for Sports on Campus," and Alicia Zoltowski's photo of Katlyn Jones setting volleyball during St. Scholastica match.

In Technology Coverage, Aidan Salama was awarded an honorable mention for his "Building Connection in a Digital Word" and "How AI is shaping the future of learning at UW-Superior" articles.

Jennifer Cadotte earned an honorable mention for her Column Writing. She wrote how she and her son were graduating together in her article "Two Generations: One Stage for Mother and Son."

The Promethean staff are proud to have earned these awards and strives to continue to be an award-winning newspaper bringing accurate and ethical news to the students at UWS and the community.

Interested in becoming a part of the Promethean? Either email promethean@uwsuper.edu, or our advisor Tom Hansen at thansen7@uwsuper.edu or swing by the office during one of our weekly meetings either Tuesday or Thursday at noon.

For more information on the WNA Foundation and Collegiate Better Newspaper Contest visit wnanews.com/wna-foundation/college/.



The seven awards the Promethean won in the 2025 WNA collegiate contest. Photo by Tom Hansen | Promethean

Award winning photography!



Fond du Lac elder and fire operations specialist Vern Northrup and Superior Mayor Jim Paine holding torch made by Northrup at Wisconsin Point on Nov. 5, 2025. Photo by Alicia Zoltowski | Promethean



Firefighters clearing a fire break at Wisconsin Point on Nov. 5, 2025. Photo by Alicia Zoltowski | Promethean



Torch lighting leaves on fire at Wisconsin Point on Nov. 5, 2025. Photo by Alicia Zoltowski | Promethean



Superior firefighters standing in a circle at Wisconsin Point on Nov. 5, 2025. Photo by Alicia Zoltowski | Promethean



Left to right: Alicia Zoltowski, Hannah Hutton, and Tom Hansen on last day of the WNA conference March 6. Photo by WNA Staff