

JUNE/JULY 2018

# INNOVATION LAB NEWSLETTER



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## SPRING ART CRAWL WAS A SUCCESS... LET'S DO IT AGAIN!

In April, we participated in the Saint Paul Art Crawl and welcomed many new visitors to the Library and Innovation Lab. We hosted four student-artists from Creative Arts Secondary School, plus three Innovation Lab members--who fulfilled lifetime goals, promoted businesses, gained exposure for their work, and sold art. All artists made sales during the event!

We are now gearing up for Fall! If you are interested in displaying your work at the



GLCL Bremer Room Gallery during Fall Art Crawl, please submit a letter of interest to [splwincenter@gmail.com](mailto:splwincenter@gmail.com) by June 30. Include your Name, Business/Artist Name, Medium, and Space Requirements. Artist registration opens July 1, artists pay for their registration and a limited number of scholarships are available through SPAC ([www.saintpaulartcrawl.org](http://www.saintpaulartcrawl.org)). However, thanks to the GLCL Programming Committee, **we have funds to sponsor two Innovation Lab members!** If you are interested in a registration scholarship, please include a short paragraph describing your need.

## Fellow Makerspace

Creators Space, our newest Lowertown neighbor, is now open! Classes and Creator Cup Coffee House are open to the public. Paying members have access to tools and equipment. Find details at [creatorsspace.com](http://creatorsspace.com).



## WE HAVE MAGAZINES!

You can now find all magazines and periodicals related to: **Business, Crafts, Entrepreneurship, Finance, Jewelry, Making, Music, Sewing, Technology, and Woodworking**, in the Nicholson Workforce and Innovation Center.

Check them out today!

# MEET YOUR MEMBERS: AN INTERVIEW WITH YANA KOMARITSA

## Describe Yourself in 1 Sentence or Less:

I'm positive, outgoing, creative, and I love to have fun!

## What projects are you working on or have you recently completed?

Right now I have several ongoing projects. I work on my pet-themed project, Purr Party ([www.purr-party.com](http://www.purr-party.com) ; [www.purrparty.etsy.com](http://www.purrparty.etsy.com)): I've introduced a new product line- personalized pet jewelry, which I laser cut in Innovation Lab and then I paint it by hand. I also work on my new contemporary geometric jewelry line, inspired by my architectural background. The materials I use in it are: wood, metal and leather. The first collection is coming very soon!

## What has the Innovation Lab enabled you to do?

Innovation Lab introduced me to the world of laser cutting and it was a turning point in my jewelry making! It allows endless exciting possibilities. I'm also interested in integrating 3-d printing in my designs and this will be my next step.

## What is your advice for other members?

Don't be afraid to show your work – nobody is perfect and there's never an end to a creative process. Sometimes it's important to receive feedback at any stage of your progress; it helps for personal creative growth and development. And you can never know– sometimes a hobby can turn into a full-time job!



## CALENDAR

**Learn the Sewing Machine**  
Mondays, 4-5 p.m.

**3D Modeling with James**  
Thursdays, 12-1:30 p.m.

**Learn 3D Printing**  
Thursdays, 2-3 p.m.

**Learn Laser Engraving**  
Fridays, 1-3 p.m.

**Adobe Premiere Lab**  
Saturdays, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

**Advisory Board**  
Mon, June 4; July 2, 5:30-7 p.m.

**5 Key Marketing Ingredients**  
Tues, June 5, 10-11:30 a.m.

**New Member Orientation**  
Wed, June 6, 10 a.m.  
Sat, June 9; July 14, 11 a.m.  
Mon, June 11, 25; July, 9, 23  
5:30 p.m.

**Intro to Excel**  
June 5, 6, 7, 3-5 p.m.

**Data Therapy: Finding Stories & Discovering Bias**  
Mon, June 11, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

**Create a Free or Low-Cost Website**  
Mon, June 18, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

**DIY Photos for Your Business**  
Tues, June 19, 10-11:30 a.m.

**Adult Coloring**  
Tues, June 19; July 17, 2:30 p.m.

**Intermediate Excel**  
June 19, 20, 21, 3-5 p.m.

**Intro to Photoshop**  
June 26, 27, 28, 3-5 p.m.  
Repeats July, 24, 25, 26, 3-5 p.m.

**Lab After Dark: String Art**  
Fri, June 29, 5:30-7 p.m.

**Pattern Cutting**  
Saturday, June 30, 2-4 p.m.

**Work @ Home 1.0**  
Tues, July 9, 10-11:30 a.m.

**Google Adwords**  
Mon, July 16, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

**Microbusiness Networking Lunch**  
Thurs, July 19, 11:30-1 p.m.

**Work @ Home 2.0**  
Tues, July 24, 10-11:30 a.m.

**Lab After Dark: Wood Earrings**  
Friday, July 27, 5:30-7 p.m.

To register, call 651-266-7081  
or email us at  
[spplwincenter@gmail.com](mailto:spplwincenter@gmail.com).

**Library is CLOSED Wednesday,  
July 4 for Independence Day.**



**Meet local makers in a  
showcase of Minnesota  
creativity!**

Artists, crafters, technologists, and tinkerers will be sharing their creations at this all-ages gathering. Expect hands-on activities, exciting demonstrations, music, and fun.

**Saturday, June 16, 12-4 p.m.**  
**Rondo Library**  
461 N Dale St  
Saint Paul, MN 55103