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WideSpot in Wabasha is a performing arts venue that serves Wabasha as well as the Driftless region in both Minnesota and Wisconsin. Our goal is to present artists who perform in a variety of genres, focusing on acts that are on the verge of bigger things.

We're located at 611 Broadway in Wabasha, in the Mittel Schule building. We typically present shows on Saturday nights, with doors opening at 6:30 pm, and showtime at 7 pm. We have a bar offering beer, wine, cider, seltzer, sodas and water for sale to our guests.

Final Spring 2026 Concert:

May 9 - WideSpot is pleased to conclude our Spring season with a band from Mankato, Minnesota called City Mouse. This six-piece band has been playing Americana music together for over 50 years in one iteration or another. Chances are good you might have heard them at Williams Pub or the Cabooze decades ago.

Look for an amalgamation of country-rock, gospel, a cappella, soul and country all blended together. American music. Come hear this band. You'll be glad you did.

Visit: <https://widespotperformingarts.org/> to purchase tickets online for \$22/person or at the door, night of the show for \$25. Widespot is now able to accept credit cards at the door and at the bar!



Why are some bands louder than others?

One very likely culprit is a phenomenon called "Stage Volume". Here's what that means. When you have a band playing, the sound engineer needs to be able to control the volume for each person and their instrument(s) so that they can be heard. Some acoustic instruments, like drums, are louder than others. Some instruments, including electronic keyboards, electric guitars and basses, plug into amplifiers and the amplifiers are mic'ed up.

Since the goal is to always be able to hear the vocalist, you must raise the volume on the instruments that are not naturally as loud to achieve audibility. That means that if you've got a bunch of loud instruments, you're pushing all the other signals up higher. That's why some bands are louder than others.

This is a simplified explanation, but it's a good place to start.

Widespot has established a Sustaining Fund, thanks to Leadership Donors

Thanks to the pledged gifts of two forward thinking donors, Kathy Geraghty of Wabasha and Tess Glasenapp-Schlikup of Minneapolis, Widespot has initiated a "Sustaining Fund". Both ladies' monthly, recurring donations kicked off Widespot's new Sustaining Fund. When you choose to make monthly donations, your gift does more than keep the lights on, it ensures Widespot can build a strong foundation to cover operating expenses and the confidence to plan for the future.

To make an online donation, visit Widespot's website: widespot.org. Look for the MENU, go to the ABOUT tab and then in the drop-down menu, choose Donate & Support Widespot. You can set up a monthly recurring payment from there.

If you would prefer to send a monthly check, please mail to 611 Broadway Ave., #200, Wabasha, MN 55981. Your support can be made anonymously or by name. If you have any questions about this easy way to make a large impact, contact Widespot at: 715-448-0536.

April is Volunteer Appreciation Month

Widespot humbled by the support of volunteers who bring their time and talents in a variety of ways. The Widespot Board of Directors would like to extend its sincere **THANK YOU** to our many volunteers! If you would be interested in volunteering your time and talents, please send an email to widespotarts@gmail.com or contact the office at 715-448-0536. We will get back to you to discuss your interests in detail.



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