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MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE

Art in Ministry Club

Madelinn Romsdahl loves art and understands the power of self-expression through visual art. That's why she agreed to head up MLC's Art in Ministry (AIM) Club. "Our purpose is to share our love of art with others on campus and in the community," she says.

A popular event AIM sponsors is "Bob Ross Night," where students watch the OG watercolor artist's instructional videos and paint along. The club also offered leaf painting this fall, and other events are in the making. Off campus they provide face painting at local churches' kids' events.

As the club's name attests, MLC students are quick to see the connection of art and gospel ministry. "At MLC, we're preparing to be future ministers of the gospel," Madelinn says. "We have the opportunity to share the Word of God with others. Art plays a huge role in this. Think back to when you first were taught a Bible lesson in Sunday school. You probably looked at pictures, drew on a coloring page, or maybe even watched Bible story videos. These things are all forms of art."

MLC doesn't offer a full art major, but we do offer two studio art electives, Drawing and Painting, as well as an education course, Art in Elementary and Middle Schools. And, of course, you can attend AIM events, or join the club itself, so that your inner artist has a chance to shine.

Pictured top: Alex Schroeder (MLS / Good Shepherd-Burton MI) is AIM's social media manager, and Madelinn Romsdahl (Erwin

HS-Asheville NC / Emmaus-Phoenix) is president. **Adeline Wendt** (*KML / Bethlehem-Menomonee Falls WI, not pictured*) is vice president. *Bottom:* Up to 100 students attend the Bob Ross Nights on campus.





Thinking About College? Here's Some Advice!

Luke Latzke (*Illinois LHS / Trinity-Crete IL*): "I believe the best way to figure out your future is to ask anyone and everyone for help. I asked many of my pastors and teachers back home, and they had great explanations and advice for me to move forward in my decision. Never be afraid to ask."

Kate Mensching (*LPS / St. Luke-Watertown WI*): "Consider the God-given gifts you have! While you're making that decision, gain some experience with what you enjoy doing. For example, if you're considering teaching, go shadow a teacher in a classroom to get a feel for what it's like! God has blessed everyone on this earth with unique gifts, and there are a ton

of jobs out there you can choose from. Choose a job you're interested in and see if your gifts match up with it. Consider how you can best serve your Savior to your fullest potential and, of course, pray along the way."

