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Students begin working on their paintings during the Ruby Bridges Paint Party in the Intercultural Exchange at the Truax Campus to kick off Black History Month activities.

# Lessons through art

Students learn about Ruby Bridges and history of segregation

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In honor of Black History Month, the Intercultural Exchange sponsored the Ruby Bridges Paint Event. The event was held in room C1430 at Truax campus and was led by Wine and Design paint instructors.

Students who attended the event got to hear the powerful story behind Norman Rockwell's famous



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A row of completed paintings from the Ruby Bridges Paint Party are on display in the Intercultural Exchange.

painting of Ruby Bridges while they tried to replicate the piece of art.

"This event served two purposes: to destress and to

relax, but also to remember that Ruby Bridges was part of the history of desegregation in Louisiana," said Senior Student Program

Advisor, and event coordinator, Ro Encizo.

The painting called, "The Problem We All Live With," depicts Ruby Bridges, a 6-year-old African American girl, walking through the streets of New Orleans in 1960.

She is accompanied by four deputy U.S. Marshals who are escorting her to an all-white school at a time where there was a desegregation crisis going on with New Orleans's schools.

In the painting, you see tomato splatters and racial slurs on the side of a build-

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## Student Senate is now taking applications

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The Madison College Student Senate is now accepting applications for the 2022-2023 school year. Any current Madison College student who is enrolled in at least six credits and has a GPA of 2.5 or higher is eligible to join.

Students interested in obtaining a position on the senate have until March 6 to submit their applications. There are currently 15 senate positions open, including five regional positions at the Portage, Fort Atkinson, Watertown and Reedsburg campuses. The Student Senate is also looking for a president next year.

"The Student Senate's main mission is to represent the voice and interest of all students of Madison College. We promote understanding between students and faculty (and) participate in community affairs within the college. Above all, we want to always encourage students to be involved in educational and social activities of Madison College," said Andrea LaBella, the Student Senate's VP of Public Relations.

After the application period for Student Senate closes, candidates will have a profile of them published in The Clarion before voting for the candidates begins.

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## Butcher shop retail class now has a sales counter

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The butcher shop retail class enjoyed watching customers sample the class's freshly created bologna on Feb. 7, the first day the retail counter was open in the culinary area of the Truax cafeteria.

Mondays from noon to 1 p.m. the Butcher Shop Retail Class sells freshly prepared meats.

Students and faculty will find meats such as chicken liver pate, brats and even kasekramer, which is a sort of spiced brat filled with Swiss cheese.

By the time the butcher shop

counter opens to the public, students have been busy with prep work. The time commitment is proving to be one of the biggest challenges involved in the program, said Breanna, one of the students.

Total time is four hours with two hours of prep, one hour serving customers and then one hour of clean up. But the students say the experience is worth all the work.

Another challenge, said another student Nate, is the sophisticated technology involved. One piece of equipment is an elaborate scale that takes time to learn to use properly.

All meat sold by the program is locally sourced.



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The culinary retail space in the Truax Campus cafeteria now offers fresh meat sold by the meat butcher shop retail sales class.