

## 2023 Meander Economic Impacts

\$124,506 Total reported Meander art sales to customers during the Meander weekend.

(43 surveys reported)

2022 reported \$131,357 with 41 surveys returned

**\$2,895** Average reported art sales per artist

\$3,402 reported in 2022

\$13,907 Amount spent in the five-county area to implement the Meander including printing,

paper, advertising and contracted services. Does not include UMVRDC staff time.

**100-900** Reported total number of customers at individual studios for the entire weekend.

**381** Average customers per artist reporting

**11 studios** Average number of studios customers visited. (12 in 2022)

**2.5** people per travel party (on average)

78% of customers said the quality of the art was excellent (83% in 2022)

82% of customers said their overall experience was excellent (86% in 2022)

48% did NOT attend Meander last year (42% in 2022)

**86%** plan to attend again next year (87% in 2022)

13% maybe plan to attend next year (13% in 2022)

27% first time they attended the Meander (30% in 2022)

**42%** came from within 5-county area (38% in 2022)

23% came from greater Minnesota (outside 5-county area) (27% in 2022)

**19%** came from the metro area (23% in 2022)

15% came from out of state – 9 different states (13% in 2022)

## **Average Expenditures per Customer**

(298 in 2023 vs 310 reporting in 2022)

**\$139** on Meander Art (\$166 in 2022)

**\$45** on Food/Gas (\$48 in 2022)

\$19 on Shopping, other than art (\$24 in 2022)

**\$17** on Lodging (\$18 in 2022)