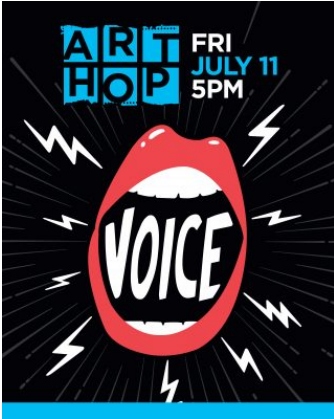


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### ART HOP



#### July 2025 ART HOP - Voice

Friday, Jul 11, 2025 at 5:00 pm

Presented by [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#) at [Various Stops](#)

#### JULY 11 – Voice

Experience bold statements, powerful stories, and vibrant visuals at the 36 stops featuring 64 artists at July Art Hop. Let creativity shine as we celebrate the artistic voice.

SEPTEMBER 5 – Celebration

NOVEMBER 7 – Knowledge

DECEMBER 5 – Craft

Head to <https://kalamazooarthop.org/> for more info on registering and volunteering!

### CLASSES & WORKSHOPS



#### Crescendo Fiddle Classes

Monday, Jun 16 - August 11, 2025

Presented by [Crescendo Academy of Music](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Ste. 12, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Director [Timothy Cuffman](#) will lead classes in American and Celtic fiddle music as well as Blues and Jazz. There will be opportunities for class members to learn new techniques and to experiment with improvisation. Open to violin, viola, cello, and bass players. Crescendo Fiddlers will perform throughout the summer at community events. Join us for a fun summer of playing great music!

There are three classes available:

*Intro to fiddling:* Elementary school age with at least a school year of experience playing the instrument

*Next-Level Fiddling:* Middle school and older with at least a year of experience playing the instrument

*Crescendo Fiddlers:* At least 2-3 years of playing experience.

Classes meet on Monday evenings from June 16- August 11

*Intro to Fiddling:* 5:00 – 5:45 pm

*Next-Level Fiddling:* 6:00 – 6:45 pm

*Crescendo Fiddlers:* 7:00 – 8:00 pm

Class Fees:

\$150 for Intro to Fiddling & Next-Level Fiddling

\$175 for Crescendo Fiddlers

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### [The Artist's Journey From Reels to Social Media](#)

Wednesday, June 18 - August 20, 2025 at 6:30 pm

Presented by [Public Media Network](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall; Suite 300, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Attention artists! Your perspective matters, extending beyond your artwork. Why not make some fun reels for your social media to connect with your audience? If you're looking for a new way to showcase your artistic journey, hit us up! Team up with us at Public Media Network to tell your story. You'll learn how to make awesome videos with cool transitions

and editing techniques to share on your social media. Who knows what amazing stories you could create!



### [Artist Statements: Incorporating Audio and Video](#)

Friday, June 20 - August 29, 2025 at 6:30 pm

Presented by [Public Media Network](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall; Suite 300, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Attention artists! Invite the audience to discover the narrative behind your artwork. By expressing the significance of your creations, you can motivate others to explore your pieces more profoundly. What fuels your enthusiasm for art, and what keeps you engaged in this pursuit? Each of us

possesses a unique creative spark—why not share it with the world? By sharing what your work means to you, you can inspire others to look deeper into your pieces. What drives your passion for art, and what keeps you going? We all have our own creative flair—so why not let it shine? You'll be learning how to film, edit, and craft a narrative for your story. Get ready to record yourself and make a short 2 minute video about your art projects!

## FILM & VIDEO



### [Film Screening: But I'm a Cheerleader \(1999\)](#)

Thursday, July 10, 2025 at 8:00 pm

Presented by [Monoform Cinema](#) at [Dormouse Theatre](#), 1030 Portage Street, #3008

To kick off our new season (and our Summer of Camp series), you can't beat this certified queer cult classic! Director Jamie Babbit said that she set out to make "a gay *Clueless*," and what she delivered is a campy satire, a sweet romantic comedy, and a sharp dismantling of gender stereotypes and the obscene practice of conversion therapy.

Megan (Natasha Lyonne) is an all-American girl who daydreams about her fellow cheerleaders while kissing her football player boyfriend. She is left bewildered when

her conservative parents send her to a conversion therapy camp called True Directions, staffed by "formerly gay" camp counselors Mike (RuPaul) and Mary (Cathy Moriarty). Surrounded by other queer kids for the first time, including the rebellious but intriguing Graham (Clea Duvall), Megan learns who she is and what it means to be a lesbian... even if it isn't what her parents and True Directions had in mind!

1999

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Director: Jamie Babbitt

Writer: Brian Peterson

Cast: Natasha Lyonne, Clea Duvall, Melanie Lynskey, RuPaul, Mink Stole, Dante Basco

## FREE EVENTS



### [Free Thursdays at the KIA](#)

Thursday, February 6 - December 18, 2025

Presented by [Kalamazoo Institute of Arts](#), 314 S. Park Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Enjoy free general admission and extended hours until 8pm on Thursdays, thanks to generous support provided by Art Bridges Foundation's Access for All program and the Efroymson Family Fund.

### [Gallery Gathering: Leo Villareal: Interstellar](#)

Thursday, July 10, 2025 at 5:30 pm

Presented by [Kalamazoo Institute of Arts](#) at 314 S. Park Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Step into a unique digital world created by artist Leo Villareal during this Gallery Gathering. Using technology to explore the realms of both the cosmic and the human, Villareal invites guests to wonder and reflect on our places in the universe and the journeys we share. Together we will explore this innovative exhibition where light and code come together to create an evocative and immersive experience. Please note that this event will not be livestreamed or posted on YouTube. [Gallery Gatherings](#) are short, lightly-moderated conversations about selected artworks from ongoing exhibitions. Chairs and gallery stools are available for guests. This program is free, but preregistration is encouraged.



### [Lunchtime Live - The Dirty Rain Revelers](#)

Friday, July 11, 2025 at 11:30 am

Presented by [City of Kalamazoo Parks & Recreation](#) at [Bronson Park](#), 200 S Rose Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

This summer event series will kick off for the 2025 season on Friday, June 13 and continue through Friday, August 29.

Food and retail will be available for purchase. Food trucks will be lined up along Bronson Park on South Street and other vendors will be set up

throughout the park. Each week will feature a different local musical artist. This is a free event, and all community members are welcome.



### [Concert in the Corners - Otsego Jazz Ensemble](#)

Sunday, Jul 13, 2025 at 06:00 pm

Texas Drive Park, 6603 Texas Drive, Kalamazoo, MI 49009

2025 Concert in the Corners Series Presented by TemperaturePro.

Concert in the Corners is a family-friendly music series at Texas Drive Park. This series is made possible thanks to grant dollars from the Michigan Arts and Culture Council, and our generous

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sponsors. All events are free and open to the public. Please bring a lawn chair, or picnic blanket, and umbrellas and SPF are encouraged as shade is limited!

Sunday July 13, 2025 – Otsego Jazz Ensemble

Event Sponsor: Paul Carlson, CFP

The Otsego Jazz Ensemble (OJE) formed in 1986 and is still going strong. The 17-piece group features a high-powered mix of jazz, blues, rock, pop, Latin and standards, and features musicians from across southwest Michigan, aged 17 to 97.

## KIDS & FAMILY



### [Gilmore Car Museum Wednesday Night Cruise-In](#)

Wednesdays, July 2 – October 15, 2025 at 5:00 pm

Presented by [Gilmore Car Museum](#), 6865 Hickory Road, Hickory Corners, MI 49060

Due to popular demand, this year we have added the opportunity to explore our air-conditioned main exhibit Without Limits: Racing Through America, for \$5 per guest. This includes the added bonus of access to additional restrooms inside the museum. Simply stop by the gift shop or

Pedal Car Cafe to purchase your wristband. Members, with a membership card, receive access to the exhibit at no additional charge. It is FREE to bring your show car on the grounds during Cruise-In and the event is open to the public. On good weather nights, the fun starts at 5 pm and runs until 8 pm, with both George & Sally's authentic 1941 Blue Moon Diner and The Grill serving hot dogs, hamburgers, and creamy old-fashioned custard throughout the evening. With live music providing the soundtrack, these are evenings you and your family won't forget! So, plan to bring your ride, snap a photo in front of the 1930s Shell station, cruise our amazing grounds, and enjoy an evening of great wheels and memories.

\*NO CRUISE-IN OCTOBER 1st



### [Wonder Walks: Reality and Imagination](#)

Friday, July 11, 2025 at 11:00 am

Presented by [Kalamazoo Institute of Arts](#), 314 S. Park Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Join us on a journey through the KIA's permanent collection, discovering pieces that reflect real life and others that stretch the boundaries of imagination. Please note that this event will not be livestreamed or posted on YouTube. Take a [Wonder Walk](#) through the galleries! The walk will include close looking at a few artworks as well as gallery games and activities. This is a great way to introduce your little one to art and the

museum. Wonder Walks is for children 2-4 years old (but all are welcome) and is free with the cost of admission. Caregivers must stay with their children at all times. Preregistration is encouraged. Adults, remember to register your children!



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### DeutscheMarques

Saturday, July 12, 2025 at 9:00 am

Presented by [Gilmore Car Museum](#), 6865 Hickory Road, Hickory Corners, MI 49060

This car show will feature all of your favorite German marques and everything from daily drivers to weekend treasures, including Audi, BMW, Porsche, Mercedes-Benz, and Volkswagen. In 2024, we had just shy of 650 gleaming German cars were on display at the Gilmore Car Museum. The annual event attracts thousands of visitors. All years welcome! Gates for show cars open at 8:00 am. \$30 covers the car, driver, and one passenger. Additional passengers at regular museum admission rates. Judging begins at 11:30 am and awards are scheduled to be announced at 2:00 pm. You must be present to win!



### Mad Dogs & Englishmen

Sunday, Jul 13, 2025 at 09:00 am

Presented by [Gilmore Car Museum](#), 6865 Hickory Road, Hickory Corners, MI 49060

One of the premier British Auto Shows, with over 350 motor cars and motorcycles in attendance, the car faire is open to all British made vehicles and will also include a swap meet area.

Enjoy people's choice judging, car games on the oval track, valve cover racing, bagpipers, and British Tea Time! This year's featured Marque is Triumph TR's – the Early Years ('53 – '68)

## MUSIC



### Music at Mahan: Guinness Brothers Band

Saturday, July 12, 2025 at 7:00 pm

Presented by [K'zoo Folklife Organization/Allegan Chapter](#) at [Mahan Park](#), 101 Brady Street, Allegan, MI 49010

A 7-piece band from Grand Rapids playing classic rock and roll and all the hits. The concert is free and will take place at Mahan Park, downtown Allegan. The park is nestled next to the Kalamazoo River and across the street from Sherwood's Cove. Enjoy the fountains, gardens and new stage. Bring a chair, picnic, family and friends. There is some terraced seating available. Rain location is First Presbytery Church, 200 Cutler Street, Allegan. The concert starts at 7:00 pm and ends at 9:00 pm. For more information call 269-993-7678.

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### Concerts in the Park: THE REBEL EVES

Sunday, July 13, 2025 at 4:00 pm

Presented by [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#) at [Bronson Park](#), 200 S Rose Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2025

4:00 – 5:00 PM

Bronson Park

Comprised of three Michigan-bred, award-winning songwriters – Katie Pederson, Grace Theisen, and Jilian Linklater – The Rebel Eves have spent the better part of the last decade writing, touring, and harmonizing across the country with successful solo careers. With a motto of connection over perfection, in less than two years the trio has reached new heights in their collaboration, outselling venues such as 20 Front Street & The Clover Room in Michigan, and sharing main stages at large independent Midwest festivals with national touring acts such as The Wood

Brothers, The War and Treaty, and The Accidentals. Cultivating moments of vulnerability, laughter, original songs, and incredible 3-part harmonies in their shows, they can promise you will walk away feeling inspired, connected, and hopeful.

Bronson Park

200 S Rose Street

Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Concerts in the Park is a program of the Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo, with support from the Irving S. Gilmore Foundation and the City of Kalamazoo. It is one of Kalamazoo's long-standing traditions, typically offered on Sunday afternoons in June, July, and August in Bronson Park, delivering a unique offering, unlike any other. Each concert is free and is friendly for the entire family. Bring chairs or blankets for your comfort!

There is not a rain site for Concerts in the Park. If inclement weather is expected the concert may be canceled by 2 pm on that same day.

### Parking

On-street parking is available all around the perimeter of the park.

Additional parking is nearby at the South Street Parking Garage.

### Children's Nature Playscape

Children's Nature Playscape is a nonprofit organization that stewards a nature-inspired play area in downtown Kalamazoo, Michigan. We are thrilled that the Playscape will be open on our concert nights 30 minutes prior, during, and 30 minutes after all Concerts in the Park this year!

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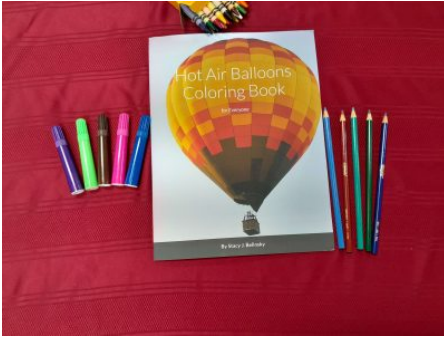
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### ONLINE/STREAMING



#### [Virtual - Coloring Party for Stress Relief](#)

Monday, May 19 - August 18, 2025 at 7:00 pm

Presented by [Serendipity Spot, LLC](#) at [Online/Virtual Space](#)

Welcome to our Coloring Party for Stress Relief! Join us on Zoom for a fun and relaxing event. Unleash your creativity and unwind with some coloring therapy. Whether you're a coloring pro or just starting out, everyone is welcome! Bring your favorite coloring utensils, meet new friends, and enjoy a chill evening of coloring. Let your stress melt away as you focus on filling in beautiful designs. Don't miss out on this opportunity to relax, BREATHE, and recharge. Join the

Serendipity Spot "Coloring Party" tier at [https://www.patreon.com/c/serendipity\\_spot](https://www.patreon.com/c/serendipity_spot) and get in for free each month plus receive a bonus coloring page. See you there!

### THEATRE



#### [Beautiful: The Carole King Musical](#)

July 10 - 20, 2025 at 2:00 pm, 7:30 pm

Presented by [Farmers Alley Theatre](#) at Balch Theatre at Festival Playhouse, 129 Thompson St, Kalamazoo, MI 49006

The inspiring true story of Carole King's journey from teenage songwriter to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. This Tony® and Grammy® Award-winning musical phenomenon is filled with unforgettable classics like "You've Got a Friend,"

"One Fine Day," "So Far Away," "Take Good Care of My Baby," "Up on the Roof," "You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling," "Will You Love Me Tomorrow," and "Natural Woman," woven through a story you'll never forget.


"A slick and joyous celebration of female empowerment." – Entertainment Weekly





#### [Center Stage Theatre Presents Seussical](#)

July 11 - 20, 2025 at 6:30 pm

Presented by [Center Stage Theatre](#) at [Comstock Community Auditorium](#), 2107 N. 26th Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49048



 Center Stage Presents: *Seussical*. Affordable Family Fun at Comstock Community Theater!


 [Get Your Tickets Here](#)  \$15 Adults | \$12 Students & Seniors



SHOW DATES & THEMED NIGHTS:

 Friday, July 11, 2025 – 7:00 PM  *Favorite Character Day* Dress as your

favorite Seuss character—from jungle creatures to the Whos! (No tall hair/hats during the performance, please.)

 Saturday, July 12, 2025 – 7:00 PM  *Circus Saturday* Wear your most colorful clothing and wildest animal prints! Enjoy themed concessions, crafts, and a selfie station before the show and during intermission.

 Sunday, July 13, 2025 – 2:00 PM Standard performance

 Friday, July 18, 2025 – 7:00 PM  *Christmas in July* One fish, two fish, red fish... Green Grinch! Celebrate with festive holiday flair.

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- Saturday, July 19, 2025 – 2:00 PM 🌈 *Sensory Friendly Performance* A relaxed, inclusive performance designed for all.
- Saturday, July 19, 2025 – 7:00 PM 🙋 *ASL Interpreted Performance* 🐱 *Cat-urday* – Wear black and white (and a splash of red!) in honor of the Cat in the Hat. (No tall hair/hats, please.)
- Sunday, July 20, 2025 – 2:00 PM Standard performance
- 👉 Bring the whole family and join us for a musical adventure through the world of Dr. Seuss!



### Crawlspace Eviction Improv Comedy

Friday, Saturday, July 11 – July 12, 2025 at 7:30 pm

Presented by [Crawlspace Comedy Theatre in Historic First Baptist Church Building](#), 315 W. Michigan Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Since 2003, Crawlspace Eviction has been delivering laughs, absurdity and unconditional comedy to Kalamazoo. See what happens when what's next is ANYBODY's guess? Get ready for humor-induced face-cramping like no

other!

Show Date: Jul 11

Show Time: 07:30 PM-09:30 PM

Tickets: \$15

Doors Open: 6:30 PM

Intended for mature audiences.

[July 11 Tickets](#)

[July 12 Tickets](#)

## VISUAL ARTS



### Leo Villareal: Interstellar

Through September 21, 2025

Presented by [Kalamazoo Institute of Arts](#), 314 S. Park Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

*Leo Villareal: Interstellar* invites viewers into the immersive digital worlds of Leo Villareal, where code, celestial bodies, and humanity converge into a fusion of art and technology. This exhibition showcases a collection of works by Villareal from the last five years, underlining his pioneering role in the realm of digital art in the 21st century. By creating atmospheric artworks and environments where space and light collide, Villareal instills a sense of awe and wonder, offering intimate moments for both personal and collective reflection. The artist's use of light and code serves as both media and symbols that

represent knowledge, discovery, and the spark of consciousness within the intricate web of the cosmos. The works on view will encourage viewers to consider the paradoxes of the universe—the vastness and intricacies of the cosmos against the fleeting nature of our existence. The exhibition will inspire visitors to imagine the possibilities that new technologies provide for humanity's advancement and perhaps even its preservation. Leo Villareal's works convey the tension that exists between these congruent and at times opposing forces, while asking viewers to reflect on their place within the grand, enigmatic expanse of the universe. Ultimately, *Leo Villareal: Interstellar* builds a shared journey through the known and the unknown.



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### [2025 West Michigan Area Show](#)

Through September 14, 2025

Presented by [Kalamazoo Institute of Arts](#), 314 S. Park Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007



The work of West Michigan's talented artistic community is on view during the annual West Michigan Area Show. Opening Saturday, June 14, this crowd-pleasing annual juried exhibition was carefully curated from more than 300 submitted entries, ranging from paintings, prints, and photos to mosaics, ceramics, jewelry, sculpture, and mixed-media works.

The 2025 juror is Detroit artist and teacher Hubert Massey. Hubert Massey is an award-winning Kresge Fine Arts Fellow. His distinctive fresco murals grace the halls of such visible Michigan destinations as the Flint Institute of the Arts, Detroit Athletic Club, and his alma mater, Grand Valley State University. He studied at the University of London's Slade Institute of Fine Arts and later learned the centuries-old fresco technique from former assistants of legendary artist Diego Rivera.