

For the week of 03/30/26

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS



[Youth StoryLab](#)

Saturday

Mar 07, 2026 - Jun 06, 2026 at 01:00 pm

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

Make Media That Matters.

Have something you care about?

A story you think people should hear?

An issue that affects your school or community?

In Youth StoryLab, you'll turn your ideas into a powerful short film — and premiere it for the community. This isn't about watching documentaries.

It's about creating one.

What You'll Do

Over 13 weeks, each participant will develop and produce their own 6–8 minute short film focused on a real topic that matters to them — something happening in their school, neighborhood, or community.

You'll learn how to:

Film using professional production equipment

Conduct thoughtful interviews

Shape stories people actually want to watch

Edit using industry-level software

Turn raw footage into a finished film

You'll work independently on your own project with guidance from instructors and support from a small creative cohort.

By the end of the program, you'll walk away with a completed short film you can include in a portfolio, share with others, or use for college and career opportunities.



[Spring Break Visual Effects Camp 2026](#)

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Mar 30, 2026 - Apr 03, 2026 at 01:00 pm

Camp Admission:

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

\$150.00

Extended Hours Admission:

12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

\$200.00

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

Designed for 4th to 7th graders, this spring, campers will jump into the world of movie magic as they learn how to dream up stories, create their own characters, and bring them to life using green screens, stop-motion animation, claymation, and more. From designing mini movie sets to acting out exciting scenes and building animated creations frame by frame, every day is packed with hands-on projects and teamwork. With awesome instructors, tons of cool equipment, and plenty of chances to let their imaginations run wild, this camp is the perfect place for kids to create, explore, and have a blast. Lights, camera... spring break action!



[Nature Journaling](#)

Saturday

Apr 04, 2026 - May 02, 2026 at 10:00 am

Presented by [Kalamazoo Nature Center](#) at [Kalamazoo Nature Center](#), 7000 N. Westnedge Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49009

Nature Journaling

Saturdays, April 4 & May 2, 10-11:30 am

Audience: Teens & Adults

Immerse yourself in the art of slowing down, looking closely, and connecting more deeply with the natural world. These nature journaling workshops are designed for anyone—who wants to cultivate a mindful, creative practice that blends observation, writing, and sketching.

These workshops invite you to step outdoors (or view nature from a window) and tune in to textures, colors, patterns, and stories unfolding around you. Along the way, you'll explore topics such as seasonal change, nature-based mindfulness, basic field sketching techniques, and how to use your journal as a tool for wonder and awareness.

Please bring your own sketch or notebook. A limited amount of supplies will be available for those who may have misplaced their journal.

Fee: Members Free, Non-Member \$10 Please register.



Painting with Purpose

Saturday

Apr 04, 2026 at 02:00 pm

Tickets are \$45/pp

Presented by [Fortunate Fourth Creations & Media](#) at Holy Grounds Meeting Place, 632 Locust St, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Paint with Purpose: Release & Reset Through Art

Fortunate Fourth Creations & Media is partnering with Seeking Sobriety for a powerful creative experience centered on reflection, release, and renewal. Paint with Purpose is an intentional art session designed to help participants let go of what no longer serves them and create space for healing, clarity, and growth.

Through guided reflection and a therapeutic painting activity, participants will explore emotions, personal journeys, and the power of transformation. No art experience is needed. This experience is about expression, not perfection.

Together we will release what we have been carrying, reset our intentions, and transform our stories onto canvas in a supportive and welcoming space. Art becomes the tool, and healing becomes the purpose.

Participants will leave with a completed canvas and a renewed sense of self, connection, and possibility.

FREE EVENTS



Gallery Gathering: Future Now for Families

Thursday

Apr 02, 2026 at 05:30 pm

This event is free, but preregistration is encouraged.

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

Join us for a family-friendly exploration of some of the shoes featured in *Future Now: Virtual Sneakers to Cutting-Edge Kicks!* All ages are welcome to join in the conversation as we observe shoe designs of the past, present, and future.

Future Now: Virtual Sneakers to Cutting-Edge Kicks is co-organized by the American Federation of Arts and the Bata Shoe Museum, and curated by Elizabeth Semmelhack, Director and Senior Curator of the Bata Shoe Museum.

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.



[Explore and Create Night: Future Now: Virtual Sneakers to Cutting-Edge Kicks](#)

Thursday
Apr 02, 2026 at 06:00 pm

Free

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

Put on your favorite pair of shoes and join us for a special night celebrating the artistry of footwear. Join us for a Gallery Gathering in *Future Now: Virtual Sneakers to Cutting Edge Kicks* at 5:30 before we kick off Explore and Create Night at 6pm. Continue to explore the exhibition and then create your own shoe-inspired artworks while enjoying some sweet treats. Come explore how design, craft, and imagination come together—one step at a time. This evening is appropriate for all ages.

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KIDS & FAMILY



[Wonder Walk: Into the Indigo](#)

Friday
Apr 03, 2026 at 11:00 am

Free with the cost of admission.

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

This April, we're taking a blue adventure through *From Cobalt to Indigo: The Power of Blue in East Asia!* From prints to pottery, we'll find out how artists from East Asia create beautiful blues and use them in their amazing artworks.

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!

MUSIC



[A Night on Broadway Gala | Kalamazoo Symphony](#)

Saturday

Apr 04, 2026 at 05:00 pm

Presented by [Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra](#) at [Radisson Plaza Hotel & Suites](#), 100 W. Michigan Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Benefitting the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra

Larry Bell, Auctioneer

D. Terry Williams, Host and Emcee

Presenting Sponsor Zhang Financial

Join us for an unforgettable evening of show-stopping Broadway magic! Enjoy a three-course dinner and captivating performances by the Kalamazoo Symphony Artists in Residence and powerhouse singers from the Symphony's West Side Story cast.

As we celebrate our esteemed honorees, the night also honors the profound impact of philanthropy in the arts.

Led by Larry Bell, you can be the Stage Director in the interactive Auction of Songs, bidding on which Broadway hits we'll hear throughout the night! Attendees will also have the chance to win exclusive and exciting items in the Silent Auction.

5:00 p.m. | Cocktail Hour & Hors d'oeuvres

6:30 p.m. | Dinner, Music, & Auction of Songs

THEATRE

[Bunker Fun: Apocalyptic Improv](#)



Friday

Apr 03, 2026 at 07:30 pm

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

Kalamazoo, MI 49007

The end of the world has never been more fun. A group of improvisors have found themselves in a bunker to ride out the apocalypse. One small problem: they forgot to bring entertainment. No problem, they have improv. You, the audience, are lucky enough to be in the bunker as well, with a front row seat for the improv absurdity. Be blown away by this Crawlspace Comedy original.

Show Date: Apr 03

Show Time: 07:30 PM-09:00 PM

Tickets: \$15

Doors Open: 6:30 PM

Intended for mature audiences.



[Pavlov & Oh Hey! Improv Comedy](#)

Saturday

Apr 04, 2026 at 07:30 pm

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

Oh Hey! is a delicious duo that creates lightning-quick, fully improvised performances that get audiences electrified. Step into the offbeat world of Sara Fish and Tanja Rowland, where wild and weird characters come to life as they juggle the suggestions you hurl their way. Oh Hey! is all about quick wit, wild imagination and spontaneous fun.

Blending six comedic styles with a shared commitment to supporting and surprising each other, Pavlov's shows are sometimes strange, often funny, and always honest. They will also make you salivate.

Show Date: Apr 04

Show Time: 07:30 PM-09:00 PM

Tickets: \$15

Doors Open: 6:30 PM

Intended for mature audiences.



[Role Up Tabletop Improv Comedy \[Late Show\]](#)

Saturday

Apr 04, 2026 at 09:30 pm

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

*****TICKETS ARE ONLY AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR STARTING AT 9:00 PM.*****

Table Top gameplay where we make the setting and character in front of the audience, 5 people total (One Game Master, 4 players.) Will look to include at least one person new to the game if they are interested as it helps make for fun experiences.

Show Date: Apr 04

Show Time: 09:30 PM-10:15 PM

Tickets: \$5 at the door.

Doors Open: 9:00 PM

Tickets are only available at the door starting at 9:00 PM.

*7:30 PM Show ticket holders can attend 9:30 PM Late Night Show for FREE!

Intended for mature audiences.

VISUAL ARTS



[Kalamazoo Public Schools Promising Artists Exhibition](#)

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

Feb 24, 2026 - Apr 28, 2026 at 12:00 am

Presented by [Bronson Hospital](#) and [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#) at [Bronson Hospital](#), 601 John Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Bronson Methodist Hospital is hosting the “Promising Artists” Exhibition for Kalamazoo Public Schools through April 28th. The public can see the works in the hallways between the main entrance and the emergency room. The show features more than 80 works by K through 12th-grade students and is a collaborative effort between Bronson, Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo, and Kalamazoo Public School Art teachers.