

For the week of 03/09/26

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS



[Build A Mini-Teddy Bear Workshop](#)

Sunday

Nov 16, 2025 - Mar 15, 2026 at 01:30 pm

If you are a paying member of the Kzoo Makers, please email for a discount code.

Presented by [Serendipity Spot, LLC](#) and [Kzoo Makers](#) at [Kzoo Makers](#), 1102 E. Michigan, Kalamazoo, MI 49048

Choose a mini-teddy bear by parts and accessories by colors, and use the time to assemble. The design was created by Denise of Loomahat as a way to use up yarn. All pieces made by Stacy of Serendipity Spot, LLC. A portion of each ticket will be donated to Kzoo Makers.



[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.



[TEDx Kalamazoo 2026](#)
Thursday
Mar 12, 2026 at 07:00 pm

 Pre-sale tickets are just \$35 through Monday, January 12, before increasing to \$49.

Presented by [Public Media Network](#) at [Judy K. Jolliffe Theatre \(formerly Epic Theatre\)](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Suite 205, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Experience seven powerful speakers sharing bold, thought-provoking *ideas worth spreading*, alongside live performances from talented local artists. Make a night of it with behind-the-scenes tours of many of the Epic Center's arts and culture organizations before the show.

Public Media Network is a presenting sponsor of TEDxKalamazoo.



[Creative Corner](#)
Sunday, Saturday
Mar 14, 2026 - Mar 15, 2026 at 10:00 am
Presented by [Kalamazoo Nature Center](#) at [Kalamazoo Nature Center](#), 7000 N. Westnedge Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49009

Creative Corner

Saturday, March 14 & Sunday, March 15, 10 am – Noon

Get ready for spring and join us for a relaxing art day at KNC! We'll have craft and art supplies available in the Classroom, so drop by and flex those creative muscles.

Audience: Families

Meet: Visitor Center Classroom

Fee: Included in regular KNC admission; drop in program

FILM & VIDEO



[KFS Virtual Lobby: Oscar Edition](#)

Thursday

Mar 12, 2026 at 07:00 pm

Presented by [Kalamazoo Film Society](#) at Zoom

Come join the KFS Board Members discuss and predict the winners of the major awards for this year's Oscars race. This annual Zoom event started during Covid and has continued to be an annual favorite. For those who remember and long for the days at the Little Theater where KFS members could watch and chat about film, we started these Virtual Lobby sessions so that we could safely gather and share our views. Everyone is welcome to participate or sit back and listen. We hope to see you there!

FREE EVENTS



[ArtBreak: Pysanky Eggs: A Traditional Eastern European Folk Art March 11 @ 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm](#)

Wednesday

Mar 11, 2026 at 12:00 pm

FREE

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

Join Jozefa Rogocki for an artist's talk and demonstration of the intricate art of pysanky eggs, a traditional folk art practiced in various regions of Poland, Ukraine, and other Slavic countries. During this ArtBreak, Rogocki will share her process for decorating these colorful eggs by applying a wax-and-dye batik process. She will demonstrate tools and techniques; discuss the history, myths, and traditional symbols engaged by this unique art form; and share a variety of designs that include contemporary interpretations of archetypal symbols.

Jozefa Rogocki is an artist from the UK with Polish heritage and has lived in the US for 25 years. She recently received an Arts Midwest Culture Bearers Award for her extensive work continuing

and sharing the traditional folk art of pysanky eggs. She regularly teaches classes and attends local art fairs and festivals demonstrating this beautiful art form to audiences of all ages.

All hybrid events will be livestreamed to our [YouTube page](#) and can be found under the “Live” tab. Recordings of select past events are available on YouTube as well.



[Film Screening: Sneakerheadz](#)

Thursday

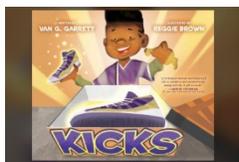
Mar 12, 2026 at 06:00 pm

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

Sneakerheadz is a 2015 documentary film that explores the global subculture of sneaker collecting. The film examines the cultural impact of sneakers, from their origins in sports and hip-hop to their status as high-value, collectible art pieces. Directed by David T. Friendly and Mick Partridge, *Sneakerheadz* takes a comprehensive look at the lives of sneaker collectors across the world, from New York to Tokyo. Viewers are advised that this film includes some discussion of violent crime. *Sneakerheadz* is distributed by Swank Motion Pictures, Inc., and has a runtime of one hour and thirteen minutes.

Please note that this event will not be livestreamed or posted on YouTube.



[Art Detectives: Kicks by Van G. Garrett](#)

Saturday

Mar 14, 2026 at 10:30 am

This is a free program; preregistration is encouraged. Adults, remember to register your children!

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

Grab your favorite pair of sneakers and come along for March Art Detectives! We'll explore *Future Now: Virtual Sneakers to Cutting-Edge Kicks*, enjoy a story about amazing footwear, and spot some eye-catching shoes in the galleries. Afterward, Wellspring dancers will help us get up and groove in our cool kicks.

We won't make a project during Art Detectives this time—but if you still want to create, hang around for Community Day!

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.

[Art Detectives](#) is a free program for children 4-8 years old (but all ages are welcome). Join us as we read a story, look at art, and make a project to take home. Caregivers must stay with their children at all times. This is a free program; preregistration is encouraged. Adults, remember to register your children!



[Community Day: Cool Kicks](#)

Saturday

Mar 14, 2026 at 11:00 am

This event is free.

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

Step into a day all about shoes! Wear your favorite pair for fun photo ops. Discover incredible footwear in *Future Now: Virtual Sneakers to Cutting Edge Kicks* and then get creative with shoe inspired art projects.

Have shoes that need some flair? Bring them along and stop by the auditorium between 12:30 and 1:30pm to decorate, bedazzle, or totally reinvent them! Supplies will be provided.

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HISTORY & HERITAGE



[Winter Lecture Series](#)

Sunday

Jan 11, 2026 - May 03, 2026 at 02:00 pm

Adults / Seniors: \$20
Veterans (Must present ID. Sold onsite only.): \$18
Youth (ages 11–17): \$12
Children (10 and under): FREE
Active Military (must present ID): FREE
Museum Members: FREE

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

When is lecture series?

Every Sunday at 2pm January 11– April 26 (except Easter Sunday)

Admission is easy –

FREE to museum members
Included with Sunday general admission ticket

[View the Full Schedule](#)

LITERATURE & POETRY

[Tournament of Writers](#)



Saturday
Mar 14, 2026 at 11:50 pm

Registration Fees - Adults \$25 for first entry, \$15 for up to two more entries.
Students 18 and under \$15, \$10 for up to two additional entries. *Financial assistance is available – contact us at info@vicksburgarts.org.*

If you cannot submit your entry online, please contact us. We can help!

Presented by [Vicksburg Arts](#) at [Online/Virtual Space](#)

The 12th annual Tournament of Writers encourages and promotes local writers with a competition open to new and seasoned writers of all ages. In addition to celebrating writers with cash prizes, the competition provides constructive and encouraging feedback from judges to help participants gain insights from thoughtful readers. Submission deadline is Sat, Mar 14.

This competition accepts submissions in Poetry, Fiction, and Nonfiction from residents in southwest Michigan. A panel of judges scores the submissions using a rubric that evaluates the effective use of language, correct grammar and usage, robust deployment of literary techniques, and creativity. Based on these scores, judges award prizes within each genre, separated by the

following age divisions: Youth – Elementary and Middle School (up to 13), Teen – High School (up to 18), and Adult (18 and older).

Every entry received for the Tournament of Writers is published in our annual Tournament of Writers Collection. A public book release celebration is April 23, 2026, 5:30 pm at Wind+James Event Center, Schoolcraft, MI

FAQ <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1FiPWbZYNj9VipJbeouqUjau-kpCZoVMZ/view?usp=sharing>

MUSIC

Winter Blues Series

Sunday

Jan 11, 2026 - Mar 15, 2026 at 02:00 pm, 04:00 pm

Shakespear's Lower Level

Suggested Donation: \$8

Presented by [Kalamazoo Valley Blues Association](#) at Shakespeare's Pub, 241 E Kalamazoo Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Join the Kalamazoo Valley Blues Association for the Winter Blues Series!

January 11th at Shakespeare's Pub:

Kevin Nichols (solo) 2:00 – 4:00

Jim Klein Band 4:00 – 6:00

February 15th at Shakespeare's Pub

Chris Canas (solo) 2:00 – 4:00

Detroit Blu Band 4:00 – 6:00

March 15th at Shakespeare's Pub

Tonya Martini Band 2:00 – 4:00

JR Clark Band 4:00 – 6:00

April 12th at The Dock

Mays & Blue (duo) 2:00 – 4:00

Kathleen & Bridge St Band 4:00 – 6:00

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[The Geezer Happy Hour - The understated musical explosion!](#)

Monday
Mar 09, 2026 at 05:00 pm

Free Admission

Presented by [Duke and The Loose Cannons](#) at Shakespeare's Pub, 241 E Kalamazoo Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Duke and The Loose Cannons play 1960s and '70s rock and soul. Whether your interest in this musical era is nostalgic or historic, these Barons of the Elder Underground will delight you with some of the finest renditions.

Music lovers of all ages are welcome. Order food at the bar. Doors open at 4; music at 5.

Get there early for a seat; they're starting to bus people in!



[Music Takes Flight](#)

Mar 10, 2026 at 06:00 pm

Standard Tickets: \$15

Tickets are available for teachers, military personnel, college students, children under 18, and government aid recipients. Pay-What-You-Wish pricing is available for this concert.

All ticket prices are subject to change. A ticketing fee will be applied to all orders.

Presented by [Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra](#) at [Western Michigan University - Miller Auditorium](#), 2200 Auditorium Drive, Kalamazoo, MI 49008

Spark Curiosity. Inspire Imagination.

Take flight with the Kalamazoo Symphony! From bicycles to bumblebees, this concert is soaring high with energy, wonder, and the thrill of flight. Bring the whole family for a fun-filled musical adventure that sparks curiosity, inspires imagination, and introduces the magic of orchestral music in a way that's perfect for all ages. Emma van der Westhuizen, the 2025 Youth Soloist Competition winner, joins the orchestra for an inspiring performance.

Includes music like *Flight of the Bumblebee*, "Somewhere Over the Rainbow," *The Ride of the Valkyries*, and "Mars" from *The Planets*.

Includes pre-concert activities like a Leta G. Snow Instrument Petting Zoo!

Jane Rooks Ross & Barry Ross Family Discovery Series

CONCERT INCLUDES

“Mars” from *The Planets* | Gustav Holst

Flight of the Bumble Bee | Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov

Ride of the Valkyries | Richard Wagner

Flying Theme from *E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial* | John Williams

Dr. Katherine Kilburn, Conductor



[2026 BRAVO! Competition](#)

Mar 14, 2026 at 10:00 am

The registration fee is \$25 for each applicant to audition. We offer free admission to the performance and is open to the public.

Presented by [Fontana](#) at [Epic Center](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Saturday, February 28, 2026

Eligibility & Repertoire Requirements

The competition is open to advanced student musicians from greater Kalamazoo and the adjacent counties of Allegan, Barry, Berrien, Branch, Calhoun, Cass, St. Joseph, and Van Buren.

There is no restriction as to the styles and genres of music to be considered.
Applicants may apply as:

An individual instrumentalist or vocalist is responsible for hiring a professional pianist as needed with your piece of music.

A chamber ensemble is considered two performers or larger with all performers being within the age range of 13-18 years.

All performers meet the residency requirements listed above.

You may only submit one application/piece for a chamber ensemble.

Applicants may apply as an individual and in a chamber ensemble with two different applications.

Chamber ensembles chosen in the previous year must have at least 50% new members to qualify for a consecutive year.

THEATRE



[MISERY at Farmers Alley Theatre](#)

Sunday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

Mar 05, 2026 - Mar 15, 2026 at 02:00 pm, 07:30 pm

Misery is slated to run from March 5th-15th, 2026. Performance dates are Thursdays, Fridays, & Saturdays at 7:30pm with matinees on both Saturdays & Sundays at 2pm.

Visit farmersalleytheatre.com for all dates and times. Tickets range from \$45-\$49 with Student ticket pricing at \$20 for all shows (must be full time student and show ID). Farmers Alley Theatre is proud to offer 15% off regular ticket prices for Military/Veterans and Teachers (please call the box office to request that discount and have ID ready to show upon arrival). \$20 rush tickets for adults and \$10 rush tickets for students are offered for all performances starting 1 hour prior to curtain (subject to availability; theatergoers must be present at the box office).

Presented by [Farmers Alley Theatre](#) at [Farmers Alley Theatre](#), 221 Farmers Alley, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

MISERY at Farmers Alley Theatre – One Writer. One fan. No Escape.

If you're looking for a night at the theatre that will keep you pinned to the edge of your seat, look no further – STEPHEN KING's *MISERY* is coming to Farmers Alley Theatre this spring. Adapted by William Goldman, this nerve-tingling play stars Paul Stroili and Laura Jordan and will be directed by Kathy Mulay. Audiences are salivating at this new production, as Farmers Alley Theatre has already added two bonus performances during its run.

Misery tells the story of successful romance novelist Paul Sheldon (Stroili), who is rescued from a car crash by his “number one fan,” Annie Wilkes (Jordan), and wakes up captive in her secluded home. While Paul is convalescing, Annie reads his latest book and becomes enraged when she discovers the author has killed off her favorite character, Misery Chastain. Annie forces Paul to write a new *Misery* novel, and he quickly realizes Annie has no intention of letting him go anywhere. The irate Annie has Paul writing as if his life depends on it, *and it does*.

“There are no lulls in famed screenwriter William Goldman’s 90-minute stage adaptation of the Stephen King story, which Goldman himself translated into the 1990 film... Exposition that took a dozen pages in paperback and at least several minutes on screen plays out...faster than snow piling up in a Colorado blizzard.” —WNBC NY.

Directing our production of *Misery* is Kathy Mulay, whose artistic vision has led many of Farmers Alley Theatre’s most successful shows including *Come From Away*, *Beautiful*, and *Becoming Dr. Ruth*. Kathy will be leading an extremely talented three-person cast which includes returning favorites Paul Stroili (*Native Gardens*, *Lifespan of a Fact*, *A Doll’s House, Part 2*) and Michael P. Martin (*Dial M for Murder*, *Peter and the Starcatcher*) as well as Laura Jordan (Broadway’s *Cry-Baby*, *In My Life*) who returns to Kalamazoo to reunite with Director Kathy Mulay for the first time since a production of *Into the Woods* over 20 years ago.

“Whether you’ve read the novel or seen the film adaptation of *Misery*, prepare yourselves,” heeds Mulay. “This performance brings an entirely different dimension.” Mulay continues, “Here, the live immediacy of the theatre – its sounds, lighting, and stagecraft – heightens the tension, creating an experience more visceral than any book or screen can offer.” Executive Director Rob Weiner concurs, “Many of us have a connection to *Misery* in one way or another – whether thru King’s library or visions of Kathy Bates. But this new re-telling, especially with our tremendous leads Paul & Laura under the direction of Kathy, is sure to touch a nerve in many ways a word on a page or image on a screen cannot.”

Misery is generously supported by our Season Sponsors The Tyler Little Family Foundation and the Schupan Family; Season co-sponsors Jack & Andy Hopkins and First National Bank of Michigan; and by our show adopters: Don Flesche and David Isaacson.



["Disaster!" A Musical Comedy](#)

Sunday, Friday, Saturday

Mar 06, 2026 - Mar 15, 2026 at 03:00 pm, 07:30 pm

Tickets are \$10 for students, KCC employees, seniors and members of the U.S. military, and \$15 for the general public. Tickets can be purchased in advance online at kelloggcommunitycollege.ludus.com or at the door before each performance as supplies last.

Presented by Kellogg Community College at Binda Performing Arts Center, 450 North Ave., Battle Creek, MI 49017

“Disaster!” is a jukebox musical about a group of New Yorkers at the opening of a floating casino and discotheque, where a string of mishaps hilariously mirrors classic ’70s disaster films. Popular songs from the ’70s appear throughout, including music from the Commodores, the Jackson 5, Elton John, Queen, Stevie Wonder and others.

A cast of nearly two dozen actors will perform in the show, which will play over two weekends.



[Angels in America, Part One: Millennium Approaches](#)

Sunday, Friday, Saturday

Mar 13, 2026 - Mar 22, 2026 at 02:00 pm, 07:30 pm

Ticket Prices

\$20 Military w/ID

\$32 Adult

\$25 Senior (65+)

\$25 Student (13+)

\$17 Children 12 & under

\$99 - "Flex Pass 4" subscription (four admissions - to be used as you wish)

For group rates (12+ admissions for the same performance), please call the box office at 269-343-1313 for pricing and to purchase.

Presented by [Kalamazoo Civic Theatre](#) at [Kalamazoo Civic Auditorium](#), 329 S. Park St., Kalamazoo, MI 49007

The Kalamazoo Civic Theatre presents *Angels in America, Part One: Millennium Approaches*, March 13-March 22, 2026, in the Civic Auditorium.

Tony Kushner's groundbreaking *Angels in America, Part One: Millennium Approaches* is a profound exploration of love, identity, and politics set against the backdrop of the 1980s AIDS epidemic. This piece follows the intertwining lives of diverse characters grappling with illness, including the infamous politician Roy Cohn. Still poignant today, this award-winning play reflects on how politics can directly and indirectly impact individuals, families, and communities forever.

Tickets on sale now: <https://bit.ly/AngelsInAmericaTickets-Mar13-20>

Performance Dates and Times

Friday, March 13 at 7:30 PM

Saturday, March 14 at 7:30 PM – ASL interpreted and audio description services available

Sunday, March 15 at 2:00 PM – post-performance conversation

Friday, March 20 at 7:30 PM

Saturday, March 21 at 7:30 PM

Sunday, March 22 at 2:00 PM – post-performance conversation

By Tony Kushner

ANGELS IN AMERICA, PART ONE: MILLENNIUM APPROACHES is produced by special arrangement with Broadway Play Publishing Inc, NYC www.broadwayplaypublishing.com



[Crawlspace Eviction Improv Comedy](#)

Wednesday, Friday, Saturday

Mar 13, 2026 - Mar 14, 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

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: Mar 13 & 14

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

Tickets: \$15

Doors Open: 6:30 PM

Intended for mature audiences.

VISUAL ARTS

[The Illustrated Accordion Exhibition](#)



Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Feb 06, 2026 - Mar 20, 2026 at 10:00 am

Free and open to the public!

Presented by [Kalamazoo Book Arts Center](#) at [Kalamazoo Book Arts Center](#), 326 W. Kalamazoo Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Each spring, the Kalamazoo Book Arts Center (KBAC) sponsors a non-juried exhibition, The Illustrated Accordion, in the KBAC Gallery. This year's popular exhibition features nearly 80 books created in the accordion form by local, national, and international artists!

The Illustrated Accordion is on view in the KBAC Gallery February 6 through March 20, 10 am-5 pm, with extended hours on Friday, February 6 through 7 p.m.

Join us for a reception on Friday, March 6, from 5-8 p.m.



[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 [Kalamazoo Public Schools](#) and [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