

Kalamazoo Rotary Arts Minute Report for Monday, April 4, 2022

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CLASSES & WORKSHOPS



[Spanish Classes](#)

Tuesday, Thursday Mar 08, 2022 - May 19, 2022 at 05:20 pm \$210 for 10 weeks of classes and assessment Presented by [El Concilio](#) at [El Concilio](#), 930 Lake Street, #A, Kalamazoo, MI 49001 Meet your language-learning goals! Register for Spanish classes at El Concilio. Choose from Beginner I or Intermediate II classes, and gain confidence with your Spanish language skills. Classes meet Tuesdays and Thursdays, with Beginner I meeting 5:20-6:20 p.m. and Intermediate II classes meeting 6:30-7:30 p.m. Classes include 10 weeks of classes, as well as an assessment to ensure your fit with the classes. Registration is \$210. Contact Irving Quintero at irving@elconciliokzoo.org to save your space by March 9th.

Assessment will begin on March 8th and 10th, with classes beginning the following week on March 15th.



[Community Voices Ensemble](#)

Thursday
Apr 07, 2022 - Jun 02, 2022 at 04:00 pm

Cost: \$30 for the 9-week session; financial aid available
Presented by [Crescendo Academy of Music](#) at [Crescendo Academy of Music](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Ste. 12, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Spring session meets on April 7 – June 2; Thursdays from 4-5 pm at Crescendo Academy of Music. [Crescendo Community Voices \(CCV\)](#) offers musical experiences for teens and adults with intellectual disabilities. It was created to provide an environment for individuals with special needs, as well as the people who care for them, an opportunity to gather together and make music in a supportive environment. The class is led by a board-certified music therapist with assistance from Crescendo Academy of Music teaching artists. It now draws members from ROI, the Kalamazoo Regional Education Service Agency's Young Adult Program (KRESA-YAP), McKercher Industries (MRC), and individuals from the greater Kalamazoo area. CCV provides its participants with a unique opportunity to engage in a positive learning and leisure activity. Weekly classes provide participants with a social outlet in a new setting. By working collaboratively to learn and perform, the participants not only broaden their musical experiences but are able to further develop vocational and cognitive skills. CCV participants experience singing, chanting, movement, drumming, and playing rhythmic and tonal instruments. Our program philosophy is to make music in a supportive atmosphere where the reward is the pleasure of making music with others. Additionally, CCV unites its participants with the community through live performances. Participation is open to everyone in the community. The only prerequisite is an open mind and an open heart!



[Clases de Ingles Gratis / Free English as a Second Language Classes](#)

Monday, Wednesday
Feb 07, 2022 - Dec 31, 2022 at 12:30 pm

Free Admission
Presented by [El Concilio](#) and [Kalamazoo Public Schools](#) at [El Concilio](#), 930 Lake Street, #A, Kalamazoo, MI 49001

¿Quiere Ud. aprender o mejorar su inglés? ¿Le gustaría tener más confianza en usarlo? Entonces esta clase es para usted. El Concilio, en colaboración con el programa de Educación Adulta de las Escuelas Públicas de Kalamazoo, ofrecen esta clase para ayudarle a alcanzar sus metas y ganar confianza en hablar el inglés.

Registración abierto ahora. Cupo limitado. ¡Gratis para inscribirse! Llámanos para guardar su espacio.
Would you like to learn or improve your English? Would you like to have more confidence in using it? Then this class is for you. El Concilio, in collaboration with the Kalamazoo Public Schools' Adult Education program, offers this class to help you reach your goals and gain confidence in speaking English.
Registration is open now. Limited space available. Free to enroll! Call us to save your space.

DANCE



[Spring Concert 2022 - Together Again \(Virtual\)](#)
Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday
Mar 25, 2022 - Apr 29, 2022 at 12:00 am Tickets are \$15 minimum

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

Ballet Arts Ensemble has something for everyone in our Spring Concert 2022 – Together Again! James Cunningham from Grand Rapids Ballet is resetting his two pieces from our virtual concert last year. Alexandra Upleger & Brandon Reiners from Grand Rapids Ballet will perform a contemporary dance and a classical dance.
Our Artistic Director, Cathleen Huling, is presenting a new work based on the Snow Queen and a second contemporary piece for our older dancers!
As you can see this is a full mixed repertoire concert that is bound to please everyone. Join us in-person at the Wellspring theater March 19 & 20 or virtually March 25 – April 29. All information is at [BAEtickets.org](#)



[Copyright and Entertainment Law for Dancers Virtual Workshop](#)

Saturday
Apr 16, 2022 at 10:00 am

\$25
Presented by [Young Dancers Initiative](#) at [Online/Virtual Space](#)

Protect artistic rights while promoting creativity.
Join this hands-on workshop where you will learn practical information to protect your intellectual property. Director of Innovative Inclusion for the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office, Kimberly Jones, will guide you through what your artistic rights are. You will walk away with a basic understanding of intellectual property law and some contract information that will help you protect your choreography.
Kimberly Jones received her law degree from Cooley Law School. She holds both a Ph.D. in Educational Leadership and an M.A.T. in Reading and Language Arts from Oakland University. She received a B.A. in English from Michigan State University, where she also minored in Theater.

MUSIC



[Friday Nights with Steve Kamerling @ Brick + Brine](#)
Friday Apr 01, 2022 - May 20, 2022 at 06:00 pm Free Admission. Presented by [Arts Council Member Artist](#) at Brick + Brine, 100 W Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49007 Come enjoy an evening at Brick + Brine restaurant. Steve will be performing everything from jazz standards to pop tunes with a twist on an archtop guitar and vocals. Enjoy an appetizer, dinner, or just a drink while listening to many of your favorite tunes.

THEATRE



[Tom Segura I'm Coming Everywhere-World Tour at the Kalamazoo State Theatre](#)

Wednesday Apr 13, 2022 at 07:00 pm

General Ticket Information:

All seating is reserved for this all-ages event. There's an 8-ticket limit. There is no ticket resale for this show.

** Please note that this show has delayed delivery ticket on ALL tickets. Tickets will be released approximately 2 weeks prior to the show. **

\$49-\$79

BUY TICKETS [HERE](#)

Buy Skip The Line Tickets [HERE](#)

RSVP On Facebook [HERE](#)

Visit The Artist's Website [HERE](#)

[Skip the line Ticket Information:](#)

Why wait in the elements when you can skip the line?! This is a separate ticket that will grant you expedited entry into the venue. Skip The Line entry is located near the main entrance of the building. Look for VIP / Skip The Line signage or ask a staff member. Present your [Skip The Line pass](#) along with your event ticket for expedited entry and to avoid the public lines. THIS IS NOT AN EVENT TICKET.

Presented by [Kalamazoo State Theatre](#) at [Kalamazoo State Theatre](#), 404 S. Burdick, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Kalamazoo State Theatre

Doors: 6:00pm | Show: 7:00pm

Buy Tickets [HERE](#)

Comedian and podcast host **Tom Segura** announced the second leg of his *"I'm Coming Everywhere-World Tour"* is coming to the **Kalamazoo State Theatre** Wednesday, April 13!

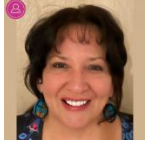
Actor/Comedian/Writer Tom Segura is one of the biggest names in the comedy business. He recently performed to sold-out audiences on his 100+ city TAKE IT DOWN TOUR. He is best known for his Netflix specials, Ball Hog (2020), Disgraceful (2018), Mostly Stories (2016), and Completely Normal (2014). Paste Magazine described him as, "...having a natural and capable storytelling ability, one that lifts his narratives out of average anecdote fare and plants them firmly in hilarious ground." Your Mom's House Studios is home to his hit podcasts Your Mom's House which he co-hosts with his wife, comedian Christina Pazsitzky, 2 Bears 1 Cave which he co-hosts with Bert Kreischer, and many more. Additionally, YMH Studios was one of the first networks to create wildly successful Livestream Podcast Events as an outcome of the pandemic.

Segura can be seen in the STX FILM COUNTDOWN opposite Elizabeth Lail, INSTANT FAMILY opposite Mark Wahlberg and Rose Byrne, OPENING ACT, and FLINCH. Segura's television credits include The Late Show with Stephen Colbert, Conan, Workaholics, Happy Endings, The Late Late Show, Comedy Central Presents: Tom Segura, Mash Up, How To Be A Grown Up.

Segura has an increasing social media following (@[seguratom](#) on IG, @[tomsegura](#) on Twitter). When he isn't performing on stage or recording a podcast he's watching College Football or waiting for College Football to come back.

VISUAL ARTS

[Kalamazoo Art League: Black Ash Basketry, Past and Present](#)



Wednesday

Apr 13, 2022 at 10:00 am

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

Kelly Church's nationally recognized role as an Ottawa and Pottawatomi Culture Bearer involves much more than her exquisite artistry. According to the artist, her work as a black ash basket maker connects ancient tradition with "issues that affect us all ... especially those who come after us if we do not act today."



[Black Ash Basketry with Kelly Church, Ottawa and Pottawatomi Culture Bearer](#)

Wednesday

Apr 13, 2022 at 10:00 am

Free for Art League members

\$10 Kalamazoo Institute of Arts members

\$12 public

\$3 students

Tickets at the door

Free event livestream at [KIA Facebook Page](#) or [KIA YouTube Channel](#)

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

Church's work has been exhibited from the Grand Rapids Art Museum to the Smithsonian's Renwick Gallery in DC. More important to the artist, she is continuing traditions traced back over two thousand years. She writes that she "comes from an unbroken line of black ash basket makers and (she) works with fibers of the woods and forests in Michigan to create weavings that share issues that affect us all, ...especially those who come after us if we do not act today." Church is nationally recognized for her work in Michigan Native communities. Some of her numerous awards include the *2018 National Heritage Fellowship*, four-time recipient of the *Artist Leadership Program* at the Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian, and the *Native Arts and Culture Fellowship*. She recently received the *Community Spirit Award* from First Peoples Fund for her continued sharing of traditional teachings among Michigan Native communities, sustaining traditions for future generations. As a Culture Bearer, she says she is a teacher, Native woman, artist, activist, and part of her community and family, where all her teachings started.

Kelly Church is a graduate of the Institute of American Indian Arts (AFA) in Santa Fe, and the University of Michigan (BFA). She lives in Hopkins, just 26 miles from Kalamazoo and is a citizen of the Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians.