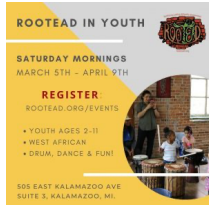


# Kalamazoo Rotary Arts Minute Report for Monday, March 21, 2022

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## CLASSES & WORKSHOPS



### [Rootead In Youth](#)

Saturday

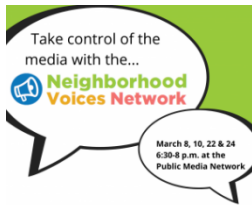
Mar 05, 2022 - Apr 09, 2022 at 10:00 am

Presented by [Rootead](#) at Rootead Enrichment Center, 505 E. Kalamazoo Avenue, Suite 3, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

For younger children, we're offering our Rootead in Youth program, which meets once a week on Saturday mornings (March 5th – April 9th) and includes instruction on movement, songs, rhythms, and storytelling centering on the African Diaspora. The program is a great primer for youth who'll move on to join the RYDC and RYDE programs.

As with all youth programming at Rootead, Social Emotional Learning (SEL) skills such as self-awareness, responsible decision-making, relationship skills, social awareness, and self-management are addressed throughout the program. All classes are held Saturday mornings (March 5th – April 9th) and the cost for the full series is \$50.

Email [arts@rootead.org](mailto:arts@rootead.org) or call (269) 720-9200 with any questions.



### [Neighborhood Voices Network](#)

Tuesday, Thursday

Mar 08, 2022 - Mar 24, 2022 at 06:30 pm

Sign up here: <https://www.publicmedianet.org/blog/pursue-community-journalism-through-neighborhood-voices-network>

Presented by [Public Media Network](#) at Public Media Network, 359 S Kalamazoo

Mall #300, Kalamazoo, MI

Public Media Network is launching its fourth cohort of the Neighborhood Voices Network this March to put control of the media in your hands. Neighborhood Journalists will be given the training, platform, and tools to start reporting on news in their community. If you are interested in journalism, and want to use your voice to provide representation for your community, then the Neighborhood Voices Network might be for you.



### [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](mailto: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.



**[Artist Happy Hour: Past, Present, and Future with The Kalamazoo Promise](#)**

Wednesday

Mar 23, 2022 at 05:30 pm

at The Kalamazoo Promise, 180 E Water St Suite 2005, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

March Artist Happy Hour will be featuring The Kalamazoo Promise.

Join us at their brand-new location on **Wednesday, March 23, 2022**, beginning at **5:30 pm**. Featured will be Kalamazoo Promise Artist Alumni, current student artists, and community professionals at a one-of-a-kind multi-generational networking event. Additionally, The Kalamazoo Promise will be featuring some opportunities to collaborate with them on potential gallery space, Art Hop events, and more!

The Kalamazoo Promise offices are located at 180 E Water St Suite 2005, Kalamazoo, MI 49007  
Registration Required.



**[Clases de Inglés 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**



**[Beginning Argentine Tango with Erin & Doruk](#)**

Sunday

Mar 13, 2022 - Apr 10, 2022 at 02:00 pm

\$100 for the series

Presented by Erin and Doruk Tango at [Crawlspace Comedy Theatre in Historic First](#)

[Baptist Church Building](#), 315 W. Michigan Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

## TANGO IS BACK IN KALAMAZOO!

Erin Malley and Doruk Golcu will offer a 5-week fundamentals course in Argentine Tango. After a two year hiatus (thanks, pandemic!), they return to in-person teaching of this fun and beautiful dance form (on a really nice floor!). No need to register with a partner, and you need not feel bound by heteronormative roles to participate. You must commit to the entire series, no drop-ins.

SUNDAYS, March 13 – April 10

2pm-3pm Beginner level class

3-3:50pm Practica

\$100/ per student

Classes are held at KNAC / First Baptist Church, 315 West Michigan Avenue. More location details available following registration.

Masks are required, Vaxx + boost is **STRONGLY** recommended for the protection of yourself and others, as this is a close-contact dance form.

### ABOUT THE INSTRUCTORS:

[Erin Malley & Doruk Golcu](#) are an internationally touring teaching couple based in the United States.

Partners on the dance floor and in life, E&D are known as dancers for their flow, their turns, their ability to make complex sequences look effortless, and their chemistry that has continued to grow in the 18 years they have been dancing together.

Erin and Doruk are generous teachers, known for the approachable way that they share their knowledge of both the body in motion and the structure of the dance. With a breadth of experience from the local to the international levels, they have taught and performed extensively in the United States; Buenos Aires, Argentina; Ireland; Portugal; Switzerland; the United Kingdom; and Turkey. In higher education, Erin and Doruk have taught classes and courses at Stanford University (CA), Western Michigan University (MI), University of Hawai'i at Manoa (HI), and California State University East Bay. They are routinely sought out by the more experienced dancers in the communities they visit for their skill at helping students progress at every level.

In their teaching, Erin and Doruk prioritize partnership, concentrating on what makes true leading and following, and making the dance work as a collaborative team. They use structural analysis to facilitate understanding. They believe that this analysis can be used to build the foundation for any aesthetic styling you choose.

Erin and Doruk greatly encourage exploration and experimentation in their students. They have lived in several very vibrant communities containing a broad variety of tango styles, and they have danced socially around the world. Thanks to that exposure, they can strongly contextualize their teachings to different styles and approaches of dancing social tango.

As artists and teachers, Erin and Doruk are constantly in process. They are always seeking to discover more about themselves as dancers and learners. The evolution of their growth in turn informs and deepens their teaching, making each encounter with their students more enriching than the last.

More on E&D at [erinanddoruktango.com](http://erinanddoruktango.com), as well as information on their other classes and workshops throughout West Michigan and beyond.



### [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](#)

## KIDS & FAMILY



### [Pandora Presents Disney Princess: The Concert](#)

Friday

Mar 25, 2022 at 07:30 pm

#### **General Ticket Information:**

**Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination or a negative COVID-19 test is required for entry. Click [here](#) for more information.**

*Disney Princess – The Concert* is recommended for a general audience. As an advisory to adults who might bring young people, Disney recommends this show for ages 6 and up. All persons entering the theater, regardless of age, must have a ticket. The show runs approximately two hours with intermission.

All seating is reserved for this all ages event. There's an 8 ticket limit. VIP Packages are available to purchase online only. Not available in the box office.

\$39.50-\$69.50

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

#### **What To Know Before Attending The Show**

**Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination or a negative COVID-19 test is required for entry. Click [here](#) for more information.**

**All bags and purses must be under 8" x 5" x 2" – [Click for more details](#)**

**Doors- 6:30PM | Show: 7:30PM**

**BUY TICKETS [HERE](#)**

For generations, Disney's Princesses have enchanted us with their courage and kindness. Their music has

been the soundtrack to our lives. Now, for the first time in forever, that beloved music will be celebrated in **Disney Princess – The Concert** at the **Kalamazoo State Theatre** Friday, March 25, 2022!

“Be our guest” as a quartet of Broadway, Disney Channel, and animated film icons celebrates all the Disney Princesses in an unforgettable evening of songs, animation, and stories. Tony®-nominee **Susan Egan**, Grammy®-nominee **Courtney Reed**, Disney Channel star **Anneliese van der Pol**, and BroadwayWorld Award-winner **Syndee Winters** join forces in this concert of a lifetime, alongside their magical Music Director, **Benjamin Rauhala** and enchanting Prince, **Adam J. Levy**. Your every dream will come true as these acclaimed stars sing your favorite Disney Princess songs, and share their exclusive, hilarious and heartfelt behind-the-scenes stories from their time portraying princesses on the stage and screen. We invite you to become part of our world...dress up in your best royal attire and get ready for an unforgettable evening at *Disney Princess – The Concert*, presented by Pandora Jewelry. *Cast subject to change.*

## THEATRE



### [WMU Theatre Presents Emilia](#)

Mar 18, 2022 - Mar 27, 2022 at 02:00 pm, 07:30 pm

General Admission tickets are \$20, Senior tickets are \$18, Student tickets are \$10, and WMU Student tickets are \$6. Student and WMU Student tickets require the patron to bring their student ID when they check in at the performance.

Presented by [WMU University Theatre](#) at [Western Michigan University - Gilmore Theatre Complex](#), 1921 W. Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49008

By Morgan Lloyd Malcolm

Four hundred years ago, Emilia Bassano wanted her voice to be heard. It wasn't. Could she have been the 'Dark Lady' of Shakespeare's sonnets? What of her own poetry? Why was her story erased from history?

In Morgan Lloyd Malcolm's electrifying and Olivier Award-winning play, Emilia and her sisters reach out across the centuries with passion, fury, laughter and song. It is a riotous, witty reclaiming of the life of an exceptional woman.



### [THE REVOLUTIONISTS at Farmers Alley Theatre](#)

Sunday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

Mar 18, 2022 - Apr 03, 2022 at 02:00 pm, 07:30 pm

Thursday performances: \$30; Friday, Saturday & Sunday: \$35

\$15 student rate for all performances.

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

**Heads will roll at Farmers Alley Theatre this spring as they bring to life or: “as we welcome”**

**THE REVOLUTIONISTS by Lauren Gunderson**

*A true story. Or total fiction.*

KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN – February 24, 2022 – Farmers Alley Theatre is proud to present their next surefire hit of the 2022 season with the irreverent, girl-powered comedy **THE REVOLUTIONISTS**, set during the French Revolution’s Reign of Terror. Written by the blazing hot author **Lauren Gunderson**, *American Theatre’s* most produced playwright in the country, and running **March 18th thru April 3rd**, **THE REVOLUTIONISTS** is modern theatre at its best: provocative, of the moment, supremely entertaining and funny, as well as undeniably moving and thought provoking.

It’s 1793 Paris and a fearsome foursome of females is ready to shake France to its core! A mix of *Hamilton* and *Sex and the City* with a dash of 21st century humor and wit, the play centers around playwright Olympe de Gouges, assassin Charlotte Corday, former queen (and fan of ribbons) Marie Antoinette, and Haitian rebel Marianne Angelle as they hang out, murder Marat, and try to beat back the extremist insanity of the late 18th century in the city of lights. At its core, **THE REVOLUTIONISTS** shows us how these four bad-ass women merge art and activism and teach us how we actually can go about changing our world.

“From the moment I picked up this script I couldn’t put down,” gushes **Managing Artistic Director Jeremy Koch**. “Lauren Gunderson’s words are nothing short of brilliant and the way she imbues humor and pathos together makes this play truly remarkable. The fact that its set in 1793 in no way lessens its impact on our world in 2022. On the contrary, the themes and lessons of the play are so crucial and timely and thrilling to see onstage. I’m so thrilled that we could bring in such a talented director in Dee Dee Batteast, and an amazingly diverse ensemble of actors to share this new classic with West Michigan Audiences.”

**THE REVOLUTIONISTS** will be directed by **Dee Dee Batteast**, who helmed Farmers Alley Theatre’s first ever online production, *The Conviction of Lady Lorraine*, written by and starring Dwandra Nickole Lampkin, back in the fall of 2020. The cast is led by an impressive ensemble of professionals including Kalamazoo’s own **Lisa Abbott** (*The Christians*) as Olympe De Gouges, recent WMU graduate **Arizsia Staton** (*A Doll’s House, Part 2*) as Marianne Angelle, Chicago-based **Devon Hayakawa** as Charlotte Corday and New York City-based **Megan Tiller** as Marie Antoinette.

**THE REVOLUTIONISTS** runs for three weekends from **March 18-April 3**. Tickets are \$35 on Fri/Sat/Sun and \$30 on Thursdays. Student ticket pricing is \$15 for all shows. Tickets are available for purchase at [www.farmersalleytheatre.com](http://www.farmersalleytheatre.com) or by calling the Box Office at (269) 343-2727. Season ticket packages are also on sale for the second half of Farmers Alley Theatre’s 21-22 season, which includes *Lady Day at Emerson’s Bar & Grill* and *Bright Star*.

**SPECIAL OFFER:** For high school teachers in the Kalamazoo County area, FREE tickets are available for you and your students to come see this play! This Student Ticket Initiative is made possible by a generous donation from the Education For the Arts organization. Please email Managing Artistic Director, Jeremy Koch, for more info about that program at this email address:

[jeremy@farmersalleytheatre.com](mailto:jeremy@farmersalleytheatre.com)

**Per Farmers Alley Theatre’s COVID-19 Safety plan, all of our artists, designers and staff are fully vaccinated.** We require that patrons of Farmers Alley Theatre show proof of vaccination when attending a performance. All patrons must also always wear a mask when inside Farmers Alley Theatre, per CDC recommendations regarding indoor gatherings. **All COVID, mask and safety regulations will be continually monitored and are subject to change due to the advice of health experts and the State of Michigan.**

Questions? Feel free to contact us at 269-343-2727 or at [info@farmersalleytheatre.com](mailto:info@farmersalleytheatre.com)

**VISUAL ARTS**





### [Art Drawn From Nature at Kalamazoo Nature Center](#)

Jan 07, 2022 - Apr 10, 2022 at 09:00 am, 01:00 pm

Admission Rates | KNC Members free, Non-Members: \$5 adult, \$4 senior, \$3 children 4-17, 3 and under free.

Presented by [Kalamazoo Nature Center](#) at [Kalamazoo Nature Center](#), 7000 N.

Westnedge Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49009

#### **Art Drawn from Nature Friday, January 7 – Sunday, April 10, 2022**

**Opening Reception:** Friday, February 11, 6pm – 8pm. Dance performance by Carolyn Pampalone Rabbers of Wellspring Dance Company.

A new year of renovation and rebirth.

Celebrating the Kalamazoo Nature Center’s renovation reopening, eight local artists will grace the new halls with paintings, prints, vessels and sculpture speaking to the natural world. For as long as there has been art, artists have been innervated by nature. In the upcoming exhibition, artists tell stories of their relationship with renovation and rebirth. Weaving visual stories from the oral traditions or endangered indigenous plants, and native fauna the exhibition will explore ways we tell our stories of nature.

“...along with the other animals, the stones, the trees, and the clouds, we ourselves are characters within a huge story that is visibly unfolding all around us, participants within the vast imagination, or Dreaming, of the world.”

— David Abram, *The Spell of the Sensuous: Perception and Language in a More-Than-Human World*  
Artists featured include Brent Harris, Sharon Gill, Maryellen Hains, Anna Z. Ill, Courtney S. Nelson, Carolyn Pampalone Rabbers, Gayle Reyes, Corinn Rutkoski, and Maria Scott.



### [Printmakers Guild Exhibit](#)

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Feb 28, 2022 - Mar 23, 2022 at 08:30 am

Free Admission

Presented by [Kellogg Community College](#) at [Kellogg Community College | Davidson](#)

[Visual and Performing Arts Center](#), 450 North Ave, Battle Creek, MI 49017

The exhibit, “Printmakers Guild Exhibit,” will run from Monday, Feb. 28, through Wednesday, March 23, in the Eleanor R. and Robert A. DeVries Gallery of the Davidson Visual and Performing Arts Center, on campus at 450 North Ave. in Battle Creek. The exhibit is free and open to the public during regular gallery business hours, which are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays.

An opening reception for the exhibit, also free and open to the public, will be held with the artists from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 3, in the gallery.

This exhibition features more than three dozen works created by members of the regional Southwest Michigan Printmakers via a variety of traditional and new printmaking techniques, giving the public a glimpse at the rich and diverse applications of the media.

Artists from the Battle Creek/Kalamazoo area exhibiting works include Vicki VanAmeyden, Donald Van Auken, Martin Hubbard and Gerald Mackey.

The Southwest Michigan Printmakers is an informal group of regional artist/printmakers dedicated to the creation of handmade and fine art prints. The group, which formed in the 1970s at the Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, meets bimonthly and regularly exhibits their work to encourage public knowledge, understanding and support for printmaking. For more information about the exhibit or other KCC arts events, contact KCC's Arts and Communication offices at 269-965-4126.



### [Artist Talk](#)

Thursday

Mar 24, 2022 at 06:00 pm

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

In recognition of Women's History Month, Kalamazoo Nature Center (KNC) will host a conversation about the complementary nature of art and science from two of *Art Drawn from Nature's* contributing artists, Sharon Gill and Corinn Rutkoski on Thursday, March 24 from 6-7pm. The two scientists will discuss how their work in biological science and their work as artists inform one another. *Art Drawn from Nature* runs through April 10 at KNC. Artist Talk is a free event and includes KNC admission, no registration required. Details at [NatureCenter.org/arts](http://NatureCenter.org/arts)



### [Annual Frostic School of Art Student Exhibition 2021](#)

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

Apr 23, 2021 - Apr 22, 2022 at 12:00 am

Presented by [WMU Gwen Frostic School of Art](#) at [Online/Virtual Space](#)

The Richmond Center for Visual Arts is pleased to announce the 2021 juror for the Frostic School of Art Annual Student Exhibition, Tyanna Buie.

### [About the event](#)

#### [Online Gallery](#)

A Chicago, IL and Milwaukee, WI native, Tyanna Buie is Assistant Professor/Section Chair of Printmaking at the College for Creative Studies in Detroit, MI. A nationally recognized visual artist, she earned her BA from Western Illinois University and her MFA from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Buie has attended such Artist-in-Residency programs as the Joan Mitchell Center in New Orleans, LA; the Women's Studio Workshop in Rosendale, NY; and the Vermont Studio Center in Johnson, VT. She maintains a close connection to the community by hosting printmaking workshops and demonstrations, while participating in Healthy Neighborhood Initiatives through the production of public art created for underserved neighborhoods and communities in Milwaukee, and Madison, WI.

Buie has been a visiting artist lecturer in Tennessee, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Alabama, Wisconsin, Kansas, Missouri, Rhode Island, and Arizona, while continuing to exhibit her works in numerous juried, group and solo exhibitions throughout the country. Her extensive exhibition record includes The Contemporary Invitational Print and Drawing exhibition at the University of Hawaii at Hilo, The Haggerty Museum of Art, The Racine Art Museum, The Red Bull House of Art, N'NAMDI Center for Contemporary Art, the Urban Institute for Contemporary Arts, The Milwaukee Art Museum, The Madison Museum of



Contemporary Art, The Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit, the Wriston Art Center, the Museum of Wisconsin Art, and the Alice Wilds.

Buie earned an emerging artist Mary L. Nohl Fellowship in 2012; the Love of Humanity Award from the Greater Milwaukee Foundation, and the prestigious Joan Mitchell Painters & Sculptors Grant in 2015; the 2019 Kresge Artist Fellowship in the Visual Arts; the 2019/2020 Grant Wood Fellowship in Printmaking at the University of Iowa in Iowa City, IA; and the 2020 Fellowship.art award, a top accelerator award and program funded through gener8tor. Buie's work has been acquired by major institutions and private collections nationally and reviewed on [Hyperallergic.com](http://Hyperallergic.com) and [Essay'd.com](http://Essay'd.com)