

Kalamazoo Rotary Arts Minute Report for Monday, November 29, 2021

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SPECIAL ART HOP SECTION AT END

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

[El Concilio Intermediate Spanish Class](#)

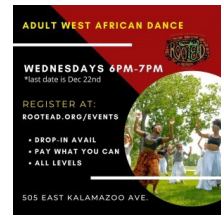


Thursday
Nov 04, 2021 - Feb 10, 2022 at 06:00 pm
at [El Concilio](#), 930 Lake Street, #A, Kalamazoo, MI 49001

This in-person intermediate Spanish class is great for those who have some Spanish language experience and would like to improve their speaking skills.

The class fee is **\$200**. The class sign-up deadline is **October 29, 2021**.

NOTE: COVID-19 precautions will be imposed, so masks must be worn during the class.



[Adult West African Dance Class](#)

Wednesday
Nov 10, 2021 - Dec 22, 2021 at 06:00 pm
Presented by [Rootead](#) at Rootead Enrichment Center, 505 E Kalamazoo Avenue, suite 3, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Our amazing community has asked for it, so now we're delivering! Adult West African Dance class is now in session! This is a drop-in class, stop in and join us, every Wednesday from 6-7 pm. The suggested donation is \$10.

For more info, visit <https://www.rootead.org/events>



[Youth Voices Monologue Workshop Series](#)

Wednesday
Nov 17, 2021 - Jan 05, 2022 at 06:00 pm
at [Read and Write Kalamazoo](#), 802 S. Westnedge Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI 49008

The Kalamazoo Civic Theatre and Read And Write Kalamazoo (RAWK) invite Kalamazoo County youth in grades 4th–12th to join us to write, edit, polish, and perform their own monologues to honor MLK Day.



[Crescendo Music Together Classes](#)

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Nov 29, 2021 - Dec 17, 2021 at 06:00 pm
at [Crescendo Academy of Music](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Ste. 12, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Music Together® is an internationally recognized early childhood music program offering 45 minutes of pure musical fun for you and your child each week. Accredited teaching artists introduce children to the pleasures of making music in a relaxed, playful, non-performance-

oriented setting. You'll receive CDs and songbooks tied to each session's unique experiences for use at home. The national program's e-newsletter, web resources, and online store provide additional support for enriching your child's and your family's musical growth and enjoyment.

Each 2021-2022 session focuses on a different song collection:

10-week fall session September 7 – November 12; Fiddle and Alligator collections

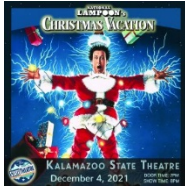
3-week interim session – November 29 – December 17; Holiday Hits

10-week winter session January 4 – March 8; Drum and Tree Frog collections

10-week spring session April 5 – June 11; Tambourine and Toucan collections

6-week summer sessions June 14 – July 30 Registration for the fall session opens in August!

FILM & VIDEO



[6.5th Annual National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation 1989 \(PG-13\)](#)

Saturday

Dec 04, 2021 at 08:00 pm

Ticket Information:

All seating is general admission. This event is recommended for a mature audience age 13+.

There's an 8 ticket limit.

\$5 College student (must present ID. 2 tickets per ID)

\$7 Youth Ticket (Under 17)

\$10 Adult Ticket

\$1 for every ticket sold is donated to WMU's [Seita Scholars Program](#)

[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.

BUY TICKETS [HERE](#)

Buy Skip The Line Tickets [HERE](#)

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

Kalamazoo State Theatre

Doors: 7:00pm | Show: 8:00pm

Buy Tickets [HERE](#)

The tradition continues! Spend Christmas with the Griswold family for the sixth-and-a-half annual screening of **National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation** under the twinkling stars at historic **Kalamazoo State Theatre** Saturday, December 4th!

KST will be offering multiple full bars along with festive Holiday drinks and of course, freshly popped popcorn! Break out your Cousin Eddie bathrobe or your favorite ugly Christmas sweater and create holiday memories at our selfie station. Plan ahead & experience a nostalgic Christmas adventure with your significant other, best friends, or with the whole family!

IMDB Storyline:

It's Christmas time and the Griswolds are preparing for a family seasonal celebration, but things never run smoothly for Clark, his wife Ellen and their two kids. Clark's continual bad luck is worsened by his obnoxious family guests, but he manages to keep going knowing that his Christmas bonus is due soon.

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All seating is general admission. This event is recommended for a mature audience age 13+. There's an 8 ticket limit.

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RSVP On Facebook [HERE](#)

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

Security Information:

All patrons are subject to search, pat down, and wandung. The following items are not allowed in the venue: guns, knives, lasers, tasers, mace, glass items, cameras, selfie sticks, outside food or beverage, no bags over the dimensions of 8 inches wide by 5 inches tall with a width of 2 inches, and other items that may challenge public safety. You can view our full list by visiting our [frequently asked questions here](#)



[Warren Miller's "Winter Starts Now"](#)

Sunday

Dec 05, 2021 at 07:00 pm

General Ticket Information:

Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination or a negative COVID-19 test is required for entry.

Click [here](#) for more information.

Seating is reserved for this all ages event.

\$20.00

\$21.00 day of show

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

You asked for it and it's back! Warren Miller brings their 72nd annual film "Winter Starts Now" to the **Kalamazoo State Theatre** Sunday, December 5, 2021!

For years we've been kicking off winter in true Warren Miller fashion, and they're back for another round. This season, the snow will feel a little deeper, the jumps a little higher and the views from the top will be just a bit more inspiring.

Join us for a road trip through the Rocky Mountains, experience classic New England skiing, and hitch a ride up the coast of Alaska. Along the way, we'll be joined by old friends like Marcus Caston, Amie Engerbretson, and Jim Ryan. We're speed riding with JT Holmes and hitting the moguls with Jonny

Moseley. We'll meet rising stars Madison Rose and Paralympic snowboarder Noah Elliott, and follow along as Vasu Sojitra and Pete McAfee complete the first-ever disabled ski descent of Denali. Buckle up for an adventure, because Winter Starts Now.

FREE EVENTS



[Project Show 'n Tell - Virtual Edition #15](#)

Thursday

Dec 02, 2021 at 07:00 pm

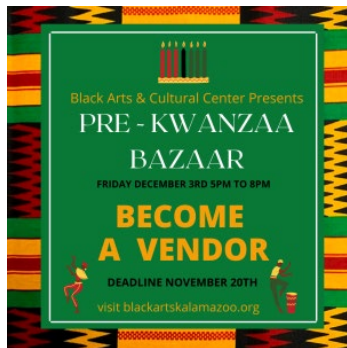
Free Admission

Presented by [Serendipity Spot](#) and [Kzoo Makers](#) at [Online/Virtual Space](#)

CALLING ALL CREATORS!!! If you are a crafter, hobbyist, artist, business owner, knitter, do it yourself-er, maker, foodie, and other categories not named, we want to know what you are working on! We know you are making things. Here is a chance to take a turn to share or just sit and learn.

Moderated by Stacy Belinsky (Serendipity Spot/Kzoo Makers) and co-hosted with Christopher Kaminsky (Lakeshore Fab Lab).

****UPDATED 2/1/2021**** Stay an additional hangout time after the presentations and chat with the group for 30 minutes or until 9pm, whichever is earlier.



[Black Arts and Cultural Center Pre-Kwanzaa Bazaar](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Black Arts & Cultural Center](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo, Ste. 202, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Enjoy the Pre-Kwanzaa Bazaar featuring food, vendors, music, live performances, activities for the entire community.

MUSIC



[47TH STULBERG INTERNATIONAL STRING COMPETITION](#)

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

Oct 18, 2021 - Feb 01, 2022 at 12:00 am

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

The Stulberg Competition is open to students of violin, viola, cello or double bass.

Applicants must be age 19 or under as of January 1, 2022. Proof of date of birth will be required if selected as a semifinalist.

Current students of the 2022 Judges are not eligible to apply. Judges are Amit Peled (cello), Simin Ganatra (violin). The third judge is TBA!

Applications are reviewed by a panel of judges who will select twelve semifinalists and four alternates. Applicants will be notified of results no later than March 15, 2022.

Twelve semifinalists will compete in Kalamazoo, Michigan on Friday, May 20 and Saturday, May 21, 2022, before a panel of judges and an audience.

Semifinalists will perform a selection from a required list of Bach and a movement(s) from a standard concerto.

Six finalists will be chosen.

For prize information visit website at <https://www.stulberg.org/competition/competition-details>



[Big Bad Voodoo Daddy's Wild & Swingin' Holiday Party at the Kalamazoo State Theatre](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 08:00 pm

General Ticket Information:

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

All seating is general admission for this all-ages event. There's an 8-ticket limit.

\$35-\$40

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

“Big Bad Voodoo Daddy’s Wild and Swingin’ Holiday Party!” returns to **Kalamazoo State Theatre** for a night of holiday classics, December 3! This is one holiday party you don’t want to miss!

For 28 years, Big Bad Voodoo Daddy’s unique take on American swing and jazz music has thrilled audiences around the world, while their unique and spirited “Wild and Swingin’ Holiday Party” has become an eagerly anticipated annual family event. Singer and band leader Scotty Morris says, “If you’re going to go to a holiday show with your family, this is the one! It really does offer something for everyone.” Drawing on a rich catalogue of holiday classics and Christmas originals from the band’s two full length holiday albums, Big Bad Voodoo Daddy brings its world-renowned live show, and fun and quirky take on the holidays, to you.

Fun arrangements of classic holiday songs in Big Bad Voodoo Daddy style include: ***Jingle Bells***, ***Santa Claus Is Coming to Town***, and ***Winter Wonderland***. ***Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer*** is “Andrew’s Sisters” meets the blues, and the just as classic ***Heat Miser*** song transports listeners back to another beloved holiday special. The band rips through Chuck Berry’s ***Run, Run Rudolph***, Lou Rawls’ ***Merry Christmas Baby***, and slows things down for Elvis Presley’s ***Blue Christmas***. Detours to New Orleans for ***Frosty the Snowman***, and to the Caribbean for the Calypso ***A Party for Santa***, keep things interesting. The band takes a moment to reflect on the beauty and spirituality of the holidays with their moving arrangement of ***We Three Kings***.

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy has always made writing original music a priority, and the holidays are no exception. ***Rockabilly Christmas***, ***Last Night (I Went Out With Santa Claus)***, ***Christmas Time in Tinsel Town***, and the beautiful and reflective ***It Feels Like Christmas Time***, are the band’s take on the many feelings of the holidays.

With almost three decades together, Big Bad Voodoo Daddy is still picking up steam and continues to tour, record, and entertain. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



[Kalamazoo Mandolin and Guitar Orchestra in Concert](#)

Friday
Dec 03, 2021 at 06:00 pm
Free admission

Presented by [Crescendo Academy of Music](#)

at [Kalamazoo Valley Museum](#), 230 North Rose Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49003

Please join the [Kalamazoo Mandolin & Guitar Orchestra](#) as they return in their annual holiday concert at the museum during the December Art Hop. The KMGO is a plucked string ensemble of mandolins, mandolas, mandocellos, guitars, and string bass. The KMGO was founded in 2003 to revive the mandolin orchestra tradition in Kalamazoo. The orchestra enjoys performing a wide variety of music including classical, world, and traditional mandolin orchestra music. It is sponsored by Crescendo Academy of Music, a 501(c)3 nonprofit community music school located in the Epic Center in downtown Kalamazoo.



[Holidays with the Kalamazoo Bach Festival - 2 performances](#)

Sunday
Dec 05, 2021 at 02:00 pm, 04:00 pm

This concert will run 70 minutes in length without intermission, at 75% capacity, and be performed twice to create a covid-safe concert experience indoors. Our 4 pm concert will be live-streamed. For tickets and more information go

to kalamazoo bach festival.org

Presented by [Kalamazoo Bach Festival Society](#) at [Kalamazoo College - Stetson Chapel](#), 1200 Academy Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49006

The ultimate seasonal celebration of your favorite holiday music, pieces from around the world, and two world premieres, all in beautiful Stetson Chapel and live-streamed on our YouTube Channel. Local favorites, special community guest artists will join us in celebrating this now over 50-year holiday tradition that will be sure to bring light to the beginning of your holiday season. This concert will run 70 minutes in length without intermission, at 75% capacity, and be performed twice to create a covid-safe concert experience indoors. Our 4 pm concert will be live-streamed.

THEATRE



[Murder For Two - Holiday Edition](#)

Sunday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday
Nov 19, 2021 - Dec 12, 2021 at 02:00 pm
at [Farmers Alley Theatre](#), 221 Farmers Alley, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

One of Farmers Alley Theatre's most popular productions is returning with a festive twist as we present MURDER FOR TWO: HOLIDAY EDITION, November 19th -December 12th. Brandon Lambert stars as Detective Marcus Moscovicz and reprising his role from the 2016 Gilmore Piano Festival is Joe Kinosian as all 10 guests / suspects at the surprise birthday party of Great American Novelist Arthur Whitney who has just been killed...fatally. Under the directing supervision of Kathy Mulay and written by Kinosian and Kellen Blair, this hilarious whodunit is the perfect blend of music, mayhem, murder and mistletoe! Don't miss the return of this killer musical comedy – with a holiday twist!

INDIVIDUAL TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE ON OCT. 8th



[1940's Radio Hour](#)

Sunday, Friday, Saturday

Nov 26, 2021 - Dec 12, 2021 at 02:00 pm, 07:30 pm

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

There couldn't be a better way to launch our Season of New Beginnings than with a musical that opens with *I Got a Gal in Kalamazoo* and closes with *I'll be Seeing You*. It's December, 1942 and broken down New York radio station WOV is prepping for the final broadcast of the Mutual Manhattan Variety Cavalcade: a seasonal treat for the troops overseas. This gem of a holiday musical is filled with colorful characters, big dance numbers, and lots of heart. *Love is Here to Stay*, *Blue Moon*, *Strike Up the Band* and *Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas* are just a few of the chart topping hits you'll be humming as you leave the theatre.



[Murder on the Orient Express Audition Workshop](#)

Monday

Nov 29, 2021 at 06:30 pm

[Register Today](#)

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

Audition workshops are led by the production's artistic team, using the same materials that will be used at the audition. Time is built into the workshop for participants to receive personalized tips and feedback.

[Register Today](#)



[The Piano Lesson Audition Workshop](#)

Monday

Nov 29, 2021 at 07:00 pm

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

Audition workshops are led by the production's artistic team, using the same materials that will be used at the audition. Time is built into the workshop for participants to receive personalized tips and feedback.

[Register Today](#)

VISUAL ARTS



[ARTbreak: The Honeybee Scriptures](#)

Tuesday

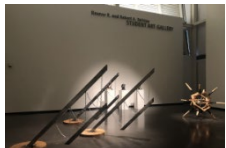
Nov 30, 2021 at 12:00 pm

RSVP is required for this free ARTbreak.

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

Local artist Ladislav Hanka will speak about his process of working with honeybees in an interspecies collaborative creation of artwork.

You may have seen his work in the KIA's West Michigan Area Show, at ArtPrize, at the Kalamazoo Valley Museum, Kalamazoo Nature Center, the Detroit Institute of Arts, or elsewhere and wondered how he creates these amazing works — now is your chance to find out!



[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 and Essay'd.com

ART HOP



[Art Hop December 2021](#)

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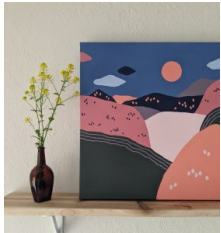
Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at Unknown

TIS THE SEASON FOR GIVING...ART!

Looking to purchase a unique and memorable holiday gift for a loved one? Shop Art Hop in downtown Kalamazoo, Friday, December 3, 2021, from 5 to 8 pm, for gift ideas that will last a lifetime. Plus, you'll be supporting the arts and culture of our community.

The theme for Art Hop December is, "Give the Gift of Art". For your shopping pleasure, this exciting event will include 25 Art Hop stops that will showcase unique gift ideas by 37 talented artists who will appreciate your valued support. Admission is free so bring your entire family. To learn more, and conveniently map your shopping experience on your cell phone, visit the Art Hop mobile brochure at Kalamazooarthop.org.



[Art Hop Stop 1: Emily Carra](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Suite 203, MI

The landscapes I paint come from a place of adventure, contentment and warmth focusing on scenes of canyons, mountains and rolling hills. I hoped to capture the essence of these places through my work and to aid in that narrative, texture, color,

light and space have been pivotal components. I hope the viewer can relate in their own way to each painting and find something special.

<https://www.emilycarra.com/>

<https://www.instagram.com/emilycarra.studio/>



[Art Hop Stop 2: RagCloth, Austin Rounds, Kalamazoo Log Cabin Quilters, Tony Kaufman Photography](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Epic Center - Atrium](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

RagCloth is a design shop run by collaborating artists Laura Ceballos and Darius Gardner.

<https://www.instagram.com/ragclothdesignshop>

Austin Rounds is a nineteen-year-old artist who has used his art as an outlet and a way to express himself when the world around him may feel off-kilter, beautiful, and even challenging. Being autistic has not always been easy, but it is a part of who Austin is, and only adds to his creativity.

Austin Rounds is currently finishing art projects as the main illustrator for an upcoming book, Michigan Monsters and Macabre Series Two (schedule to be published fall 2021) by Wicked Harvest Books.

Austin continues to work on commissioned pieces of art and enjoys working with a variety of styles and mediums. Enjoy the marvelously creative and unbridled art of Austin Rounds.

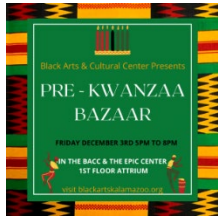
<https://www.facebook.com/austin.rounds.18>

<https://instagram.com/austinroundsgallery>

Kalamazoo Log Cabin Quilters, this display will feature quilts crafted by members of the Kalamazoo Log Cabin Quilters.

Tony Kaufman, a creative writing graduate of WMU, is a passionate proponent of nature-based experiential education and land preservation. His photographs share up-close images of the farm and local wildlife.

<https://tonykaufmanphotography.zenfoliosite.com/home>



[Art Hop Stop 3: BACC Pre-Kwanzaa Bazaar](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Epic Center First Floor](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

BACC: The Bazaar consists of performances and decor on the main entrance performance stairs of the Epic Center Lobby, a small vendor market inside the BACC where patrons can shop, and a Kwanzaa exhibit inside the BACC.

[Home](#)

<https://www.facebook.com/blackartskzoo>

<https://www.instagram.com/blackartskzoo/>



[Art Hop Stop 4: Joseph Welch, Suspend Your Disbelief, David Raznick, Gerald King, Daniel Walker Creative](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Epic Center: Lower Level](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Joey Welch is a Kalamazoo artist who specializes in portraits. He loves to experiment with different techniques and to bring his love of film and music into his art.

<https://www.facebook.com/JosephWelchArt>

https://www.instagram.com/joseph_welch_ii/

Suspend Your Disbelief: Jonathan Clark is an up-and-coming cartoonist with wild ideas and a never-ending imagination.

David Raznick: To encourage others to create their own art.

Gerald King is an artist in every sense of the word, specializing in graphic design, painting, TV production, and photography.

<https://www.instagram.com/gk77art>

<https://www.facebook.com/people/Threwed-TV-HD/100054294457310/>

Daniel Walker: An emerging digital painter based out of Grand Rapids, MI, Daniel Walker widens the aperture to highlight the beauty, resiliency, and enduring hope of marginalized people in American society. His vivid visual renderings act as a mirror to the simple joys and existential struggles of our shared humanity.

In his 20 years as a freelance artist, Daniel has been in multiple shows throughout the country, including: Detroit, Chicago, Kansas City, and San Francisco. Daniel earned his BA from the Illinois Institute of Art in Chicago. "My goal is to create unique imagery that inspires while challenging societal biases."

<https://www.facebook.com/danielwalkercreative>

<https://www.instagram.com/danielwalkercreative>

<https://www.danielwalkercreative.com>



Art Hop Stop 5: MRC artWorks

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [MRC artWorks](#), 330 S Kalamazoo Mall, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

MRC artWorks is a working studio and gallery for adults living with disabilities. A program of MRC Industries, Inc., artWorks focuses on strengths and abilities. Working on goals and objectives to support the artists on developing skills to aide in obtaining community employment, artists create art and receive a commission from the sale of

their work.

<https://www.mrcindustries.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/MrcIndustriesInc/>

<https://www.instagram.com/mrcartworks/>



Art Hop Stop 6: The Gal in Kzoo

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Colors & Cocktails](#), 326 W Kalamazoo Avenue, Studio 309, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Isabella Muzlijakovich, The Gal in Kzoo, creates drawings and paintings that are Kalamazoo inspired to add beautiful and unique touches to your favorite space. Her works make wonderful gifts!

<https://www.facebook.com/thegalinkzoo/>

<https://www.instagram.com/thegalinkzoo>

<https://www.etsy.com/shop/thegalinkzoo>



Art Hop Stop 7: Maria Nickell

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Aardema Wood Floors](#), 316 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Peregrine Plaza-Suite 112, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Maria Nickell creates artwork that challenges the viewer to focus on the details, as much as the overall composition. She loves creating abstract fluid art that is

engaging and provokes the imagination.



Art Hop Stop 8: Winchell Elementary Second Graders

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [The Spirit of Kalamazoo](#), 154 S Kalamazoo Mall, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Winchell Elementary Second Graders: Wonderful Winchell 2nd grade artists will be showing off their patterned still life pieces.



Art Hop Stop 9: Western Michigan University Dance

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Wellspring Theater](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Ste. 204, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

WMU Dance offers comprehensive, tri-focal training in ballet, jazz, and modern dance techniques. We value aesthetic breadth, disciplinary excellence, and student choice. Students receive high quality, undergraduate training that prepares them for a vibrant, professional career in dance. Through experiential learning and intense support from faculty, students discover who they are as a dance artists and leaders while benefiting from all that the city of Kalamazoo has to offer.

<https://www.facebook.com/WMUDance>

<https://www.instagram.com/wmudance/>

<https://wmich.edu/dance>



Art Hop Stop 10: Mary Jo Asmus

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Gazelle Sports](#), 214 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Mary Jo began her photographic work with her first DSLR camera about three years ago. Her journey began with capturing the beauty of the plants and flowers growing on the property where she and her husband, a nursery owner, reside.

She has expanded her work into capturing the natural world beyond her home gardens, incorporating her education and work as a biologist and her deep passion for finding beauty that was influenced by spending much of her life as an amateur classical ballet dancer. Discovering Lensbaby creative lenses was like coming home to herself, and it enabled her to create artistic images that reflected softer images.

Mary Jo's love of flowers has also sparked an interest in growing dahlias for her photography. Floral subjects for her images can also be found in the wild or in gardens around Kalamazoo and public gardens throughout the U.S. She also enjoys creating still life photography and manipulating light to create images in her home studio in a way that is reminiscent of the paintings of Old Masters. You can view her body of work on Instagram.

Many of the flower images Mary Jo captures are grown by two local flower growers: Viavi Flower Farm and First Fruit Gardens. She asks that you support local flower farmers at a time when many or most of the flowers grown for florists and grocery stores are grown in South America.

<https://www.instagram.com/mary.j.asmus/>



[Art Hop Stop 11: Amy Zane](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Earthly Delights](#), 157 S. Kalamazoo Mall; Suite 195, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Amy Zane specializes in handcrafted jewelry made of highly unusual and often rare quality gemstones.

<https://www.facebook.com/amyzanezoo>

<https://www.instagram.com/amyzanezoo/>



[Art Hop Stop 12: Christie Chew-Wallace, Christine Lemons](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Cherri's Chocol'art LLC](#), 245 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Christie's paintings fully occupy her time, and she works hard to produce art that speaks about her own acknowledgements on life.

<https://www.christiechewwallace.com>

Christine Lemons: As a retired elementary school teacher, with a love for photography, nature, and the arts-combined with writing, Christine is inspired to create these children's books.

Email: christine.lemons@gmail.com



[Art Hop Stop 13: Fred Zemlick, Steve Kamerling](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Webster's Prime Tasting Room](#), 100 West Michigan Avenue, Radisson Plaza Hotel, 2nd Floor, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Fred Zemlick has been painting as an outsider artist for many years. He uses color and emotion in his artwork. His style is all his own, and he paints with acrylic paints.

<https://zemlickart.com>

Steve Kamerling sings while accompanying himself on guitar. A well known Kalamazoo performer, he regularly collaborates with some of Kalamazoo's best.

<https://www.kamerlingmusic.com>



[Art Hop Stop 14: Tyree Broadway](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Honor Credit Union](#), 148 E Michigan Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49009

As a child, Tyree Broadway would roam his childhood home and touch all the bumps and ridges on the artwork his parents had. He didn't know this could damage the work, but as a child, nonetheless, he was drawn to the texture. He wants kids to enjoy and be drawn to his work as well. Therefore, he incorporates many of the same things he was and is attracted to in his art. Texture and wildlife

have a prominent role in what he creates.

Tyree has, for as long as he can remember, been able to look at a picture, image, or person and reproduce their likeness. He has, for as long as he can remember, conjured imaginative ways to express his imagination as well. In his experience, there seems always to be a copious amount of media to choose from, but a dearth of time to use them all. With the outlook that each piece of media he uses adds an essential color, glance, texture, shadow, element, effect, etc., much of his work is multi-layered and multi-textured and multi-media. Every media has its unique hue. He tries to showcase every color he sees in an image, and sourcing from different media is how he achieves this. The trick is how to harmoniously use the media. Each has its own technical challenges but adds a unique depth to his work. Finally, other artists personally bring Tyree much joy. Be it their music or dance or visual arts, their interaction with him elevates his mind, mood, and aspirations. He hopes his art communicates and interacts with others in an inspiring way. Please support Tyree's talent and his artistic endeavors as he continues his creative journey. Art makes him smile, and he hopes his artwork does the same for you.
<https://www.facebook.com/tyree.broadway>
https://www.instagram.com/tyree_broadway2
www.Etsy.com/shop/BroadwayArtWorks
<https://www.BroadwayArtWorks.com>



[Art Hop Stop 15: Kalamazoo Calendar Project](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Brakeman Design](#), 114 Church St., Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Kalamazoo Calendar Project: For the 18th year, twelve local artists have created a beautiful silkscreen calendar, made of twelve original handmade prints.



[Art Hop Stop 16: Mara Minott, Soul Artistry LLC](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [The Stamped Robin](#), 128 Portage Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

The Power of Paint: From Homeless to Hometown

After experiencing homelessness at 17, this young artist saw that experience as the catalyst to create sustainable and intercultural change. She utilized emotion as the power behind the paintbrush to tell the stories of the African diaspora. Her art

style is abstract, colorful, and Afro-centric, using different media to create depth and texture within her paintings. She believes that humans create humanity based on how we have capacity to evoke feelings through artistic expression.

Mara Minott is a self-taught artist and identifies as an Afro-Jamaican Latina from Kalamazoo, Michigan. She graduated from Western Michigan University in the Spring of 2019 with a Bachelor's in Arts and Sciences; She is now pursuing her Master's degree in Public Administration and will graduate in April 2022.

Link: <https://www.maralynnettedesigns.com/>

Soul Artistry LLC specializes in experience curating, artistry development, artistic provision, arts nonprofit and artist self-care consulting.

<https://ylsoulartistry.com/>



[Art Hop Stop 17: Carrie Vanderbush](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Glass Art Kalamazoo](#), 326 W. Kalamazoo Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Carrie Vanderbush: Visit Glass Art Kalamazoo for live glass-blowing exhibitions, made-to-order bulb ornaments, Journey Beads torch demonstrations, a make-your-own fused glass ornament project, and a wide selection of local handmade holiday gifts in the gallery.



**KALAMAZOO
BOOK ARTS CENTER**

[Art Hop Stop 18: KBAC Sweet Sixteen Exhibition](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Kalamazoo Book Arts Center](#), 326 W Kalamazoo Ave # 103A, Kalamazoo, MI 49009

Like so many things disrupted by the pandemic, the Kalamazoo Book Arts Center was disappointed last fall when we were unable to gather with friends to commemorate the KBAC's 15th anniversary. We are proud that with the support of the Kalamazoo community, generous donations from near and far, and the help of many volunteers, we have grown to become a fully equipped, internationally recognized, center for the study of book arts.

So, to make up for that missed opportunity, the KBAC will celebrate our Sweet 16! This exhibition will feature work by many of the artists and colleagues who have worked with and supported the KBAC over the years.



[Art Hop Stop 19: Avolio GlassWerks, Kalamazoo ARTisans, Eric's Pots](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Park Trades Center](#), 326 W. Kalamazoo Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Avolio GlassWerks is the blown glass partnership of Judith Konesni and Michael Fortin. New holiday fare will be available, as well as the ever popular "Hop Cup." Find Michael and Judith in Studio 122.

Kalamazoo Artisans is a cooperative group of likeminded potters and ceramicists from the greater Kalamazoo area. Find the group and their stunning work in Studio 127.

Eric Davis is a long time Kalamazoo resident and professional potter. Find him in his studio next door to Avolio GlassWerks.



[Art Hop Stop 20: Julia Hope Art, Hold Hand Goods, Other Curiosities, Bajas Studio, Tristan Andromeda Illustration, The Heavy Light Illustration, Notions of Lovely, Knot Ur Mother's Macrame, PsyanoForest Cyanotype Studio, Dreamy Hue Creative](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Park Trades Center](#), 326 W. Kalamazoo Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Julia Hope Art creates stunning fluid art with positive intentions and mindfulness.

Hold Hand Goods: Driven by a passion for creating art and sculpture to decorate, empower, and honor the body, Hold Hand Goods continues to be dedicated to making gifts. Jordan Szala has been creating jewelry for two years but has been a maker her entire life. She is currently based in Kalamazoo, MI, and sells her work throughout the US and Canada.

Other Curiosities: Dabbling in the more obscure things in life, Other Curiosities creates one-of-a-kind bone/nature works and much, much more!

https://linktr.ee/other_curiosities

<https://www.facebook.com/valaries.curiosities/>

https://www.instagram.com/other_curiosities/

Bajas Studio is inspired by sustainable and slow fashion, with a bold, funky, and lightweight aesthetic!

Tristan Andromeda Illustration creates mostly digital pieces with an emphasis on figure drawing and color theory.

The Heavy Light Illustration creates intense and thought-provoking pieces with an array of different processes.

Notions of Lovely was born in a pink bathtub. It was the far-fetched idea of a company that could make anything. Any beautiful or inspiring object could be a Notion. It only had to be lovely. Almost 10 years later, after many starts and stops, Notions of Lovely has become that dream. Hand-cast organic textures come together with semiprecious stones, rustic finishes and glints of shining rose gold. Notions of Lovely is ever-evolving, an eclectic collection of modern heirloom jewelry and inspiring notions crafted and curated by Marie Kappenman.

Knot Ur Mother's Macrame is queer-owned and creates one-of-a-kind sustainable and unique pieces.

PsyanoForest: AVS works with many media, often merging them to some degree, including: installation, printmaking, sculpture, textiles, digital fabrication, graphic design, and cyanotype. Pulling imagery found in medical illustrations, biology books, pressed flowers, and photographs she has taken in the wilds of Michigan, she focuses on topics of animal mythology, floriography, and trauma healing in the body.

Dreamy Hue Creative hand-makes unique, vibrant, and one-of-a-kind clay objects from scratch.



[Art Hop Stop 21: Kalamazoo Mandolin and Guitar Orchestra](#)

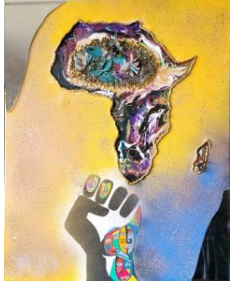
Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Kalamazoo Valley Museum](#), 230 North Rose Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49003

The Kalamazoo Valley Museum presents the Kalamazoo Mandolin and Guitar Orchestra in concert at 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. Advance registration is encouraged; non-ticketed entry is not guaranteed. Tickets are free. Visit kalamazoomuseum.org for ticket information.

<https://www.facebook.com/KalamazooMando>



Art Hop Stop 22: Mara Minott

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Kalamazoo Defender](#), 151 S Rose St, Ste. 300, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

The Art of Resistance,

By Local Black Artist and Activist, Mara Lynette Minott

Art is my therapy Session

Art is my freedom of expression

Art cannot be condensed into an empty statement or vain obsession

Art is a lie

Art is my truth

Art is whatever it means to you.

My brushstrokes are defiance

My ancestors summoned from the grave

I am walking with giants

My aim is true and my heart unrepented

My voice will never be silenced

My Artist statement is clear

If the art calls

Will you answer?

I will yell, "Black Lives Matter!"

But when I call out, will you answer?



Art Hop Stop 23: Denise Miller

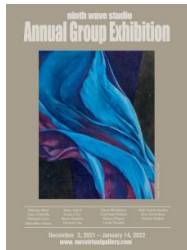
Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Read and Write Kalamazoo](#), 802 S. Westnedge Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI 49008

Denise Miller explores resistance — resistance to domestic violence, resistance to slavery, resistance to violence against brown and black people; and produces spoken word, poetry, visual art, public readings, and exhibitions on the subject. They use their work both to give voice to the interconnectedness of oppression and resistance and to juxtapose violence against women, violence against Black people, and violence against queer people, to reveal the truth that history has shown time and again: violence is violence. The sense of urgency that fuels revolution is the imperative that energizes their art. They have exhibited throughout the Midwest, and they have been published in *The Offing*, *African American Review*, and *Blackberry: A Magazine*. They were named the 2015 Willow Books Emerging Poet, an AROHO Waves Discussion Fellowship awardee, a finalist for the Barbara Deming Money for Women Fund, and a Hedgebrook Fellow. Their work titled "Core" was released by Willow Books in 2015 and has since been nominated for a 2016 American Book Award and a 2016 Pushcart Prize. Miller has been named a 2016 William Randolph Hearst Fellow at the American Antiquarian Society. Their chapbook, *Ligatures*, was published in 2016 by Rattle Press. Most recently, they won the 2020 Sexton Prize for Poetry, they have been awarded a 2020 Storyknife Residency, and they have also been awarded a 2020 Martha's Vineyard Institute of Creative Writing Fellowship. Their pronouns are they/them.

<https://www.denisemiller.studio>



Art Hop Stop 24: Ninth Wave Studio

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Ninth Wave Studios](#), 213 West Walnut Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

This is Ninth Wave Studio's 7th Annual Group Exhibition. Participants are: Melody Allen

• Gary Cialdella • Michael Dunn • Maryellen Hanes • Mary Hatch • Anna Z III • Alexa Karabin • Honore Lee • Dave Middleton • Courtney Nelson • Nancy Payne • Linda Rzoska • Vicki VanAmeyden • Don VanAuken • Randy Walker



Art Hop Stop 25: Dormouse Theatre

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Dormouse Theatre](#), 1030 Portage Street, #3008

Hand-cut Collages by Anastasia Vague.

<https://www.facebook.com/vaguephotography>

<https://www.instagram.com/anastasiavague/?hl=en>

<https://www.veravague.etsy.com>



Art Hop Stop 26: Mackenzie Hatfield, Crawlspace Eviction

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Kalamazoo Nonprofit Advocacy Coalition](#), 315 W. Michigan Avenue

Mackenzie Hatfield: With audacity and depth, Mackenzie vibrantly translates her life's triumphs, joys, worries, and insecurities into mixed-media pieces of art. The art of sharing of oneself is exhilarating and vulnerable, yet Mackenzie brings her authentic self to the canvas unapologetically. Having a deep love of creativity, innovation, inspiration, and all things colorful, she shares her passion with the community through workshops and classes for humans of all ages. More recently, she has also expanded her scope to include digital art, graphic design, and snarky, feminist stickers.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjgo62bAeFYhIPQu4i0beMQ>

<https://www.facebook.com/OriginalSaltyOwl>

<https://www.instagram.com/saltyowlstudio/>

https://www.etsy.com/shop/TheSaltyOwlStudio?ref=shop_sugg

<https://www.saltyowlstudio.com/>

Since 2003, Crawlspace Eviction has been delivering laughs, chortles and guffaws to Kalamazoo. With a blend of short- and long-form improv comedy, troupe members Bannon Backhus, Brian Duguay, Lizzy King, Dann Sytsma, and Tara Sytsma show audiences just how much fun it is when what happens next is anybody's idea. The next time you need your sides split by a local institution of people who should be institutionalized, look no further than Crawlspace Eviction!

<https://www.youtube.com/user/bigolpotluck>

<https://www.facebook.com/CrawlspaceEviction>

<https://crawlspacecomedy.com/>



[Art Hop Stop 27: Stephanie Lee](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Art & Innovation Center](#), 501 Mills St.

Local artist Stephanie Lee displays abstract pour painting pieces in various ways, including canvas and ornaments. Her artistry extends to sharing her photography through prints on blank cards. Her work is inspired by energy,

emotion, & environment, specifically nature.

<https://www.Facebook.com/stephanieleelmt>

<https://www.Instagram.com/unwindingmovement>

[Welcome!](#)



[Art Hop Stop 28: Design Crew](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Kalamazoo Valley Community College Center for New Media](#), 100 E Michigan Ave.

The Center for New Media at Kalamazoo Valley Community College offers both traditional 16-week college classes and short, intensive classes in animation, creative and technical writing, digital photography, e-commerce, graphic design, programming, and web/multimedia design and development for the traditional

college student and the professional graphic designer or web developer.

Artist EXHIBIT description: Design Crew

Connecting Students to Community exhibit – Past and present students from the college’s Art and New Media 282 Design Crew will showcase their work. Design Crew is a service-learning, merit-based course open to all advanced students in art and design. In this capstone experience, students get real world experience by working on visual communication projects for local non-profit organizations.

https://www.kvcc.edu/programs/art_new_media

<https://www.facebook.com/KalamazooValleyCNM>

<https://instagram.com/centerfornewmedia>



[Art Hop Stop 29: Maria Freed](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Beadventure](#), 320 E Michigan, Suite 101, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Maria is a Michigan-based illustrator and graphic designer. Growing up with a deep love for art, Maria turned that love into a business. She always has whimsical illustrations in her head, waiting to be put on a digital canvas.

Throughout the year, Maria runs an Etsy shop and travels to comic conventions around the U.S. – some of which include Indiana Comic Con, Salt Lake FanX, Ohayocon, and many more. She was a cover artist for the Grand Rapids Comic Con 2021 program and has illustrated several book covers. Maria loves connecting with other artists and hopes her work leaves people inspired.

<https://www.youtube.com/MissChibiArtist>

<https://www.instagram.com/misschibiartist/>

<https://www.etsy.com/shop/MissChibiArtist>

<https://www.misschibiartist.com/>



[Art Hop Stop 30: Andy Mueller](#)

Friday

Dec 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

at [Choices for Change](#), 218 W. Walnut St., Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Andy Mueller uses paints and colored pencils, and will also play a short acoustic music program with guitar, violin and vocals from the sixties.

<https://andymueller.facebook.com>