

Rotary Arts Minute for August 22, 2022 presented by the Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS



[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.

MUSIC



[Beats on Bates](#)

Jun 22, 2022 - Aug 31, 2022 at 05:30 pm

Free to Attend!!

Presented by [Kalamazoo Downtown Partnership](#) at [Bates Alley](#), Bates Alley, Kalamazoo, MI 49007
Downtown Kalamazoo's live music scene is a special part of the city. Adding to the already vibrant music scene is Beats on Bates – a free live music series that offers visitors and locals alike the chance to wind down on a Wednesday evening, indulge in a meal and some drinks, and enjoy the musical stylings under the beautiful lights of Bates Alley.

The series takes place every Wednesday between June and August from 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.

JUNE 1 | Capt. Cat

JUNE 8 | BlueBack

JUNE 15 | The Incantations

JUNE 22 | J.Cam.G & Flizz-E

JUNE 29 | Zion Lion

JULY 6 | Sam Luna Band

JULY 13 | Samuel Nalangira's Trio

JULY 20 | FlyLiteGemini

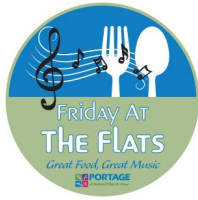
JULY 27 | Chick & The Boomers

AUGUST 3 | DJ Conscious, Courtney Moore, Mitchie Moore, & Sherdizzil

AUGUST 10 | Kalamazoo Academy of Rock

AUGUST 17 | Pinter Whitnick

AUGUST 24 | Yolonda Lavender
AUGUST 31 | Out of Favor Boys



[Friday at The Flats in Portage](#)

Friday

Jul 22, 2022 - Sep 24, 2022 at 04:30 pm

Free to the Public

Presented by [City of Portage - Summer Entertainment Series \(SES\)](#) at Celery Flats Pavilion, 7335 Gaden Lane, Portage, MI

Portage Parks & Recreation is bringing the taste of Portage to you! Friday at the Flats returns to the Celery Flats Pavilion in 2022. Join us on the fourth Friday of the month for dinner with a wider variety of food trucks and live music. Seating is limited, but lawn space is plentiful, bring a blanket or chair. Connect with your loved ones at Celery Flats through food and fun.

While at the event, join the Friday at the Flats Community Food Drive! All items must be sealed, undamaged, unexpired, non-perishable or canned food. Some examples of current needs are: jelly/jam, cereal, canned soups, boxed meals (e.g. Hamburger Helper), shelf-stable powdered milk, baking mixes (e.g. Jiffy or Bisquick), shelf-stable tortillas, granola bars or microwavable foods (like rice in a bag). Donations can be dropped off at the donation bin at the Portage Parks & Recreation tent throughout the event.

– Fridays, July 22, August 26, September 23, 4:30 – 8:30 PM

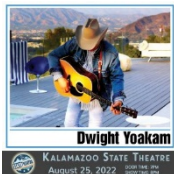
– Celery Flats Pavilion (7335 Garden Lane)

Musicians:

July 22 – Dogpatch Lullaby and Iconix

August 26 – Orchestra Jammbo'laya & Friends

September 23 – Jack Dastoli and The Psychoacoustics



[Dwight Yoakam](#)

Thursday

Aug 25, 2022 at 08:00 pm

General Ticket Information:

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

\$49-\$129

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

Kalamazoo State Theatre

What To Know Before Attending The Show

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

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

Buy Tickets [HERE](#)

Grammy Award winner **Dwight Yoakam** makes his long-awaited return to the historic **Kalamazoo State Theatre** Thursday, August 25, 2022!

Dwight Yoakam has sold more than 25 million albums worldwide, and he is a 21-time nominated, multiple GRAMMY Award winner. He has 12 gold albums and 9 platinum or multi-platinum albums, with five of those albums topping Billboard's Country Albums chart and another 14 landing in the Top 10. Nearly 40 of Yoakam's singles have charted on Billboard, with 14 peaking in the Top 10. Yoakam is a recipient of the Artist of the Year award from the Americana Music Association, the most prestigious

award offered by the organization, he was inducted into the Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame in the Songwriter/Artist category at the 49th anniversary Gala on October 14, 2019 in Nashville, TN.

Yoakam's self-curated SiriusXM channel, titled Dwight Yoakam and The Bakersfield Beat 'Where Country Went Mod' launched in April of 2018. The channel celebrates the Bakersfield sound and those whom it has inspired. Guests have boasted the likes of Post Malone, Lukas Nelson, Beck, Chris Hillman, Jakob Dylan, Mike Nesmith and Mickey Dolans, Dave Alvin, and Jackie DeShannon, among others.

In 2016, Yoakam released his bluegrass album *Swimmin' Pools, Movie Stars...* on Sugar Hill Records. Featuring a band of bluegrass luminaries, this album boasts a collection of reinterpreted favorites from his catalogue, as well as a cover of Prince's "Purple Rain". Produced by nine-time GRAMMY winner Gary Paczosa (Alison Krauss, Dolly Parton), Jon Randall (songwriter of "Whiskey Lullaby"), and Yoakam himself, and mixed by Chris Lord-Alge, this album reflects the love for bluegrass music that Yoakam developed at an early age in Kentucky and that has inspired him for many years thereafter. In 2018, Yoakam released two songs, "Pretty Horses" and "Then Came Monday" (the latter written with Chris Stapleton).

In addition to his musical career, Yoakam is a formidable film and television actor who has appeared in over 40 feature films, including *Sling Blade* and *Panic Room*. Most recently he was on the big screen in Clint Eastwood's latest film, *Cry Macho*. He recurred in David E. Kelley's Amazon series *Goliath* and appeared in director Steven Soderbergh's film *Logan Lucky* with Channing Tatum and Daniel Craig.

General Ticket Information:

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

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BUY TICKETS [HERE](#)

Buy Skip The Line Tickets [HERE](#)

RSVP On Facebook [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.

Security Information:

All patrons are subject to search, pat down, and wand. 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](#)



[Corn Fed Girls](#)

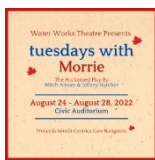
Sunday

Aug 28, 2022 at 06:00 pm

Presented by [Oshtemo Friends of the Parks](#) at [Flesher Field](#), 3664 South 9th Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49009

Please join us for our final concert of the season, featuring Kalamazoo's Corn Fed Girls. Bring a chair or blanket for lawn seating and a picnic. Concert will be rescheduled in the event of rain.

THEATRE



[Special Event: "tuesdays with Morrie" VIP opening night presented by Water Works Theatre](#)

Wednesday

Aug 24, 2022 at 06:30 pm

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

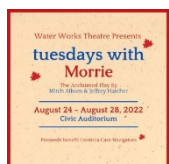
VIP admission includes: pre-show reception with author Mitch Albom, post-show Q & A session with Mitch Albom and actors, and prime seating.

Standard Admission includes: post show Q & A with Mitch Albom and actors

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Please note: Tickets for this event cannot be purchased with Kalamazoo Civic Theatre gift certificates or subscription admissions.

All ticket sales proceeds from this event benefit the Centrica Care Navigators (formerly Hospice Care of Southwest Michigan).



[Special Event: "tuesdays with Morrie" presented by Water Works Theatre](#)

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday

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VISUAL ARTS



[ARTbreak: West Michigan Area Show II - Inja Cho and Madeline Kaczmarczyk](#)

Tuesday

Aug 23, 2022 at 12:00 pm

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

The second WMAS ARTbreak will feature painter Inja Cho and 3-D artist Madeline Kaczmarczyk. Inja Cho's art is about gratitude, appreciating all that has found her in her life and demonstrating gratitude the best way she knows. In Cho's paintings, she tries to capture a sense of fluidity and of the transitory nature of life using various water and oil media on canvas.

Madeline Kaczmarczyk's work playfully integrates ceramics and glass beads. Her talk will focus on her process, and the influences and interests that inform her body of work. Mid-century home crafts, African and Native American beadwork, as well as fashion and early American needle crafts all intersect in her sculpture creations.