

## DANCE



[Young Dancers Initiative Emerging Choreographers Project - Submissions Now Accepted](#)

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

**Mar 05, 2023 - Mar 31, 2023 at 12:00 am**

**Presented by [Young Dancers Initiative](#) at Unknown**

Through the Emerging Choreographer's Project, we hope to give rising choreographers the opportunity to create and inspire a new generation of movers. The winner is provided a weeklong residency with advanced dancers, studio space, royalty-free music to create a score, costumes, production, professional video of the piece, mentorship from Jodie Randolph Dance and YDI Artistic Staff, 2-3 performances of the work per season, tickets to both concerts, and opportunities to teach company class. Housing may be provided for non-local applicants.

### **DATES + DEADLINES**

Early bird choreographer submissions open: February 10th

Early bird discount ends: March 1st

Choreographer submissions close: March 31st

Adjudicator decision: April 15th

### **[The Twelve Dancing Princesses](#)**



*The 12 Dancing Princesses*

Saturday, Sunday

Mar 18, 2023 - Mar 19, 2023 at 02:00 pm

Presented by [Ballet Arts Ensemble](#) at [Chenery Auditorium](#), 714 S. Westnedge Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

The performances will take place at classic Chenery Auditorium on Saturday and Sunday, March 18 and 19, 2023, at 2:00 pm.

Music for the production of this Grimm's fairy tale was composed by her father, the late W. Dale Crooks, and features original choreography by Ms. Huling. Bringing this delightful tale to life will be the 19 members of BAE; a cast of approximately 45 children and adults; and live music by area professional musicians, conducted by Daniel Brier.

Each performance will be followed by a Princess Tea where attendees will have the opportunity to meet Ms. Huling, the dancers, and other performers. For this event a separate \$10 ticket is required.

### **FREE EVENTS**

[Artistry and Innovation in Japanese Ceramics and Printmaking](#)

**Tuesday**

**Mar 14, 2023 at 12:00 pm**

**Presented by [Kalamazoo Institute of Arts](#) at Unknown**

Explore Expressions in Paper and Clay with faculty from the Kirk Newman Art School. Julie Devers (Chair of Ceramics) and Deborah

Mattson (Chair of Printmaking) will discuss works from the exhibition, which highlights the vibrant, engaging, and innovative traditions of Japanese printmaking and ceramics spanning the past fifty years. This exhibition continues the Kalamazoo Institute of Arts' long-standing commitment to presenting art

and techniques that intersect with disciplines taught in the Kirk Newman Art School, while illuminating Japanese innovations in art for the community.

Julie Devers has been teaching at the Kirk Newman Art School since 2001. Her studio, Newgrange Pottery, features individually designed pieces produced with thoughtful craftsmanship and simple glazes. Deborah Mattson is a printmaker specializing in intaglio, lithography, and book arts. She runs the studio Gun Plain Press, and her work seeks to express the beauty in everyday experiences and the observed environment.



### [Book Discussion: "Metropolitan Stories" by Christine Coulson](#)

Wednesday

Mar 15, 2023 at 02:00 pm

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

This enchanting novel, from a writer who worked at the Metropolitan Museum for more than twenty-five years, shows us the Met that the public doesn't see. A surreal love letter to this private side of the museum, *Metropolitan Stories* unfolds in a series of amusing and poignant vignettes in which we discover larger-than-life characters, the downside of survival, and the powerful voices of the art itself. The result is a novel bursting with magic, humor, and energetic detail, but also a beautiful book about introspection, an ode to lives lived for art, ultimately building a powerful collage of human experience and the world of the imagination.



### [Jerico Faire](#)

Saturday

Mar 18, 2023 at 11:00 am

Presented by [Jerico](#) at Jerico, 1501 Fulford St., Kalamazoo, MI 49001

The Jerico Faire is a seasonal faire featuring a collection of local makers & artists. We host vendors from around the Southwest Michigan area ranging in a wide array of handmade art, items, and goods. Shop fiber art, prints, ceramics, jewelry, woodworking, and more! Shop from 40+ artists and makers while enjoying food and beverages from Roberts Brothers BBQ, Red Tricycle Ice Cream, Teresa's Kitchen, and Fiddle Leaf Cafe! Participate in one of the all-ages interactive art pieces throughout the event, or play the Jerico Faire Bingo for your chance to win prizes! Save the date by [RSVP to the Facebook event](#).

## MUSIC



### [An All-American Celebration](#)

Saturday

Mar 18, 2023 at 07:30 pm

Tickets range from \$26-68

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

#### ABOUT THE CONCERT

**Julian Kuerti**, Conductor

**Jun-Ching Lin**, Violin

**Djembe Yaru**, West Afrikan Drum Group

Louis Moreau **GOTTSCHALK** | Symphony No. 1, "Night in the Tropics"

Samuel **BARBER** | Violin Concerto

William Grant **STILL** | *Africa*

This lineup of All-American composers encompasses the incredible scope of symphonic music found throughout America! Gottschalk's rhythmic and creole-influenced First Symphony will have you ready to dance and Barber's stunningly beautiful Violin Concerto features concertmaster Jun-Ching Lin. In a truly captivating work, William Grant Still's sensational *Africa* weaves together influences of blues, jazz, and spirituals.

## THEATRE



### [On The Town](#)

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday

Mar 17, 2023 - Mar 26, 2023 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.

The box office will be closed for regular hours during the summer, but we will be checking messages, email, and will be available by appointment. Passes can be easily purchased online, or can be purchased by calling the box office and leaving a message. Someone will return your message as soon as they are able.

Contact: (269) 387-6222

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

The energetic wartime musical about three sailors on a 24-hour leave in New York City, features thrilling music by Leonard Bernstein with playful lyrics and book by Betty Comden and Adolph Green. The show's celebrated score includes a number of musical theatre standards, including "Come Up to My Place," "I Can Cook, Too," "Some Other Time" and "New York, New York."

"[It]'ll make you want to fall in love with the city — and musical theater — all over again. This is one walk down memory lane you'll want to take." — Dave Quinn, NBC New York

"When did you last see a big-budget musical that made you want to shout with joy?... everything a great show should be...*On the Town* is one of the Broadway musicals that I love best." — Terry Teachout, *The Wall Street Journal*



### [Morning's at Seven](#)

Friday, Saturday, Sunday

Mar 17, 2023 - Mar 26, 2023 at 02:00 pm, 07:30 pm

Presented by [Kalamazoo Civic Theatre](#) at [Carver Center](#), 426 S. Park St., Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Join us as at the Carver Center Studio for the Senior Class Reader's Theatre production of *Morning's at Seven*.

Performances: March 17 – March 26, 2023 (Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30pm, Sundays at 2:00pm)

ASL interpretation and Audio description available for the Saturday, March 25 performance.

All tickets are \$15. Visit [Morning's At Seven | 2022-2023 Productions : The Kalamazoo Civic Theatre \(kazoocivic.com\)](#), or call our box office at 269-343-1313 to purchase tickets.

The Civic's Senior Class Reader's Theatre are designed for actors ages 50 and up who perform learned, but not memorized lines.

**Synopsis:** Aaronetta and Ida Gibbs have lived next door to each other most of their lives and along with Esther, all of the Gibb sisters are an open book to each. Husbands not included. Into the fray comes Myrtle Brown, perpetually engaged to Ida's son, Homer. But Homer can't seem to pop the question. Taking matters into her own hands, Myrtle finally gets a proposal by compelling Homer to fly the nest.

Sort of. This perennially charming portrait of small-town America fifty plus years ago was revived on Broadway in 1980 and in 2022 to critical acclaim.



### [WMMG Present The Mid West Spring & Summer Fashion Show](#)

Saturday

Mar 18, 2023 at 06:00 pm

General Admission \$35.00

Tickets are available on line. Eventbrite: [WMMG Present Mid West Spring & Summer Fashion Show](#).

Tickets: A limited amount of tickets will be available at the door on the day of the event.

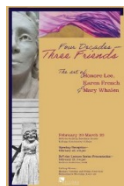
Please be advised. There's a surcharge of \$5.00 for tickets purchased on the day of the event at the door.

Cash only at the door.

Presented by [West Michigan Music Group](#) at [KC Banquet Center](#), 5830 Clyde Park Ave, Wyoming, MI 49509

Join us for the West Michigan Music Group Fashion Show on March 18th, 2023! Come see the latest fashion trends and styles from local designers, all while enjoying the musical talents of West Michigan's up-and-coming artists Sir Mark Barnes. The event will take place at the KC Banquet Center Wyoming, Michigan. There will be a pre-show reception with hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Don't miss out on this exciting evening of fashion and music! Get your tickets now at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/wmmg-presents>

## **VISUAL ARTS**



### ["Four Decades, Three Friends" Art Exhibit](#)

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday**

**Feb 20, 2023 - Mar 30, 2023 at 08:00 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, titled "Four Decades, Three Friends: The Art of Honore Lee, Karen French & Mary Whalen," opened Feb. 20 and will run through Thursday, March 30, 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. It consists of more than 50 works of art spanning mediums including ceramics, paint, print and multimedia, covering a wide variety of subjects.

The show is free and open to the public during regular gallery business hours, which are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays and 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays.

A DeVries Lecture Series Presentation about the exhibit – also free and open to the public – will be held with the artists from 3 to 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, in the Davidson Auditorium, followed by an opening reception in the gallery from 4 to 6 p.m.