

Rotary Arts Minute 10/23/2023 Information provided by the



FILM & VIDEO



[The Rocky Horror Picture Show with Live Shadow Cast](#)

Friday, Oct 27, 2023 at 8:00 pm

Tickets are \$26. For more information, please visit or call our Miller Auditorium Box Office at (269) 387-2300. Presented by [Western Michigan University - Miller Auditorium](#), 2200 Auditorium Drive, Kalamazoo, MI 49008

Damn it, Janet! The Rocky Horror Picture Show is back at Miller Auditorium! Tune in for a screening of the original unedited movie with the professional live shadow cast, *Rocky Horror in Abundance*. Join us for audience participation and a costume contest! There will be a VIP Meet & Greet with members of the shadow cast for a personal photo opportunity and autograph. The VIP Experience is limited to 200 guests & can be added to your ticket at the time of purchase, while supplies last. Merchandise and prop bags will be available at the show for purchase with cash only.

FREE EVENTS



[Engaging with Modern Dance](#)

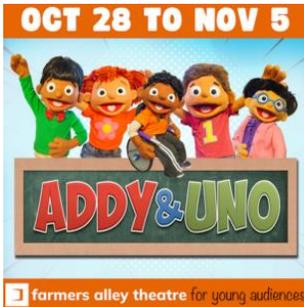
Tuesday, Oct 24, 2023 at 12:00 pm

Admission is free, but preregistration is encouraged!

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

Marisa Bianan, a 2018 graduate of Western Michigan University's Dance program (BFA), was named the Associate Artistic Director of Kalamazoo's own Wellspring/Cori Terry & Dancers in 2021. She has presented choreographic works at the 2019 Midwest RADFest, Inaside Chicago Dance's Summer 2020 concert, and the 2021 Maggie Allesee Choreography competition. Recently, she was commissioned to create a new work, which premiered in February 2022, for Western Michigan's First Year Performance class. She was also selected to participate in the 2023 Detroit Dance City Festival's Choreographers Showcase. During this ARTBreak talk, Bianan discusses how to observe, engage with, process, and analyze modern dance. In addition to offering tips for viewing modern dance, Bianan includes insights into her own choreographic process, as well as a discussion of important elements of choreographic theory.

KIDS & FAMILY



[Addy & Uno](#)

Saturday-Sundays, Oct 28, 2023 - Nov 05, 2023 at 11:00 am, 2:00 pm

All tickets for *Addy & Uno* are \$15.

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

Addy & Uno is a delightful new puppet musical for kids of all ages and abilities. As Uno, a child with autism, faces the challenge of competing in his school's math competition, his friends with varying disabilities — ADHD, visual, hearing, and physical impairment — rally in support. With expressive puppets from the original off-Broadway production and soaring music, *Addy & Uno* is a heartfelt and hilarious journey celebrating hope, big dreams, and the beauty of differences perfect for the entire family. The production stars Kate Louise and Logan Awe as Addy and Uno, respectively, with a talented ensemble of puppeteers and performers that includes Sydney Harrison (Melody), Lane Breimhorst (Seemore), Faye Kennedy (Kelsey), Nadya Beyar (Sam/Cindy), and Luis Barbosa (Greg/Chip). Kailin Kenerly, who starred as Naomi in Farmers Alley's production of *She Persisted, The Musical*, returns to our stage in the role of RJ.

MUSIC



[Pedro Giraudó Tango Quartet](#)

Tuesday, Oct 24, 2023 at 7:00 pm

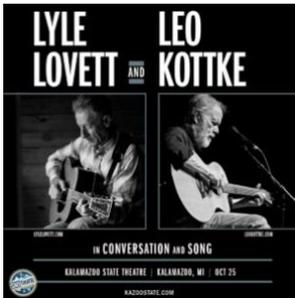
Advance: \$17 general admission, \$14/seniors, \$5 ages 25 & under. At-the-door \$20/15/5.

Presented by Connecting Chords Music Festival at [Wellspring Theater](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Ste. 204, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

The [Pedro Giraudó Tango Quartet](#) is widely acknowledged as one of the most compelling tango ensembles today, moving forward from the giant footsteps of Astor Piazzolla, and continuing to take this musical genre into new territories. With immense respect for its roots and rich musical past, the New York City-based ensemble effectively serves as an active ambassador of tango and a proponent of its evolution. The quartet's fervent and virtuosic musical style gracefully and organically combines elements from Argentine tango, European classical music, and American jazz. As bassist, composer and arranger, **Pedro Giraudó's** biography includes two decades performing with the most important interpreters of tango, including **Paquito**

D’Rivera, Pablo Ziegler, Hector Del Curto, and Luis Bravo. He has also collaborated as a performer and arranger for the New York Philharmonic.

Running September 16 – November 26, 2023, the **Connecting Chords Music Festival** celebrates the unifying power of the world’s music. Our events center around the common convictions and threads that draw our community together. Learn more at connectingchordsfestival.com.



[Lyle Lovett And Leo Kottke: In Conversation And Song](#)

Wednesday, Oct 25, 2023 at 7:00 pm

All seating is reserved for this ages 10+ event. There’s a 8-ticket limit.

\$49.00-\$79.00 (Reserved Seating)

\$54.00-\$84.00 (Day of Show Pricing)

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

Doors: 6:00PM | Show: 7:00PM

Make plans for a night you’ll never forget when **Lyle Lovett** stops by the Kalamazoo State Theatre with special guest **Leo Kottke** for an evening of conversation and song on Wednesday, October 25.



[Edmar Castañeda Quartet](#)

Wednesday, Oct 25, 2023 at 7:30 pm

Advance: \$12 general admission, \$5 ages 25 & under. At-the-door \$15/\$5.

Presented by Connecting Chords Music Festival at [Western Michigan University - Dalton Center Recital Hall](#), 1903 W. Michigan Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI 49008

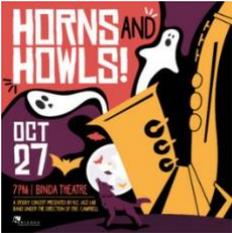
Latin jazz harpist Edmar Castañeda is a virtuoso and innovator whose album *FAMILY* was nominated for a Latin Grammy, with *New York Latin Culture Magazine* calling him “the Jimi Hendrix of the Andean harp.” He also consulted and recorded harp for Disney’s *Encanto*, which earned Oscar nominations for Best Original Score and Best Original Song. Edmar has cemented the harp’s place in jazz with innovative technique and heartfelt creativity from a wealth of formidable collaborations with music titans such as Sting, Bela Fleck, John Scofield, Ricki Lee Jones, Hiromi, John Patitucci, Pedrito Martinez, Marcus Miller, Gonzalo Rubalcaba, Ivan Lins, The Yellowjackets, Paco De Lucia, and Paquito D’Rivera.

There will be a pre-concert talk with Matthew Fries and Beau Bothwell at 7:00 PM.

In collaboration with the Irving S. Gilmore School of Music Bullock Series

*This engagement is supported by a **John Stites Jazz Event Award** from the John Stites Jazz Artist Organization, a nonprofit 501(c)(3) honoring the memory of John Stites and his passion for jazz music.*

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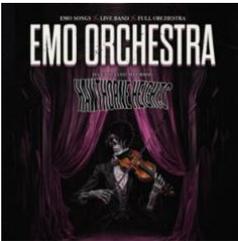
[KCC Jazz Band presents "Horns and Howls!" Halloween concert](#)

Friday, Oct 27, 2023 at 7:00 pm

Free Admission

Presented by [Kellogg Community College](#) at Binda Performing Arts Center, 450 North Ave., Battle Creek, MI 49017

The concert, which is free and open to the public, will begin at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 27, in the Binda Performing Arts Center, at 450 North Ave. in Battle Creek.



[Emo Orchestra Featuring Hawthorne Heights](#)

Saturday, Oct 28, 2023 at 7:00 pm

Tickets range from \$36-\$66. For more information, please visit or call our Miller Auditorium Box Office at (269) 387-2300.

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

For emo music lovers and orchestra aficionados alike, **Emo Orchestra** is a new live experience that brings some of the most beloved emo songs of your youth to the theater stage with a full orchestra arrangement. Along with special guest **Hawthorne Heights**, the orchestra will elevate songs from bands such as Taking Back Sunday, My Chemical Romance, and Dashboard Confessional in a way never done before. **Emo Orchestra** is a perfectly designed tribute to the music that shaped emo fans.



[Rising Star | Illia Ovcharenko](#)

Sunday, Oct 29, 2023 at 4:00 pm

In-Person Tickets Adult: \$28

In-Person Tickets Student: \$7

Livestream Tickets: Name-Your-Price

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

Winner of the 2022 Honens International Piano Competition, 21-year-old Ukrainian pianist **Illia Ovcharenko** has performed with leading orchestras and at music festivals around the world. In 2022, he won the New York International Piano Competition, and in 2021, was Laureate of the Busoni International Piano Competition and won the Michelangeli Prize at the Eppan International Piano Academy, both in Italy. Mr. Ovcharenko is a recipient of the Presidential Scholarship of Ukraine, and is pursuing a master's degree at the Hannover Hochschule für Musik und Theater Medien.

"...technically flawless and impeccably musical..." — *International Piano*



[El Amor Brujo: Love Bewitched](#)

Sunday, Oct 29, 2023 at 3:00 pm

Tickets:

Regular-priced tickets start at \$25.

We offer a variety of ticket discounts for Teachers, Active/Retired Military, Government Aid Recipients, and Under 18.

All pricing is subject to change.

Presented by [Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra](#) at [Western Michigan University - Dalton Center Recital Hall](#), 1903 W. Michigan Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI 49008

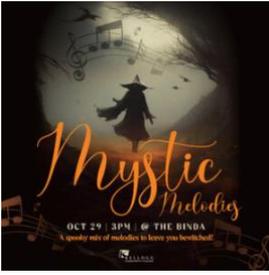
Julian Kuerti, Conductor

TBA, Mezzo-Soprano

Just in time for Halloween, Manuel de Falla's *El amor brujo* tells a tale of ghosts, enchantments, and cursed love.

PROGRAM

Manuel **DE FALLA** | *El amor brujo* (1915)



[KCC Concert Band presents "Mystic Melodies" Halloween concert](#)

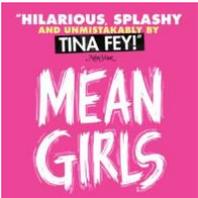
Sunday, Oct 29, 2023 at 3:00 pm

Free Admission

Presented at Binda Performing Arts Center, 450 North Ave., Battle Creek, MI 49017

The band, performing under the baton of Director Christopher Momcilovich, will present its "Mystic Melodies" concert starting at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 29, in the Binda Performing Arts Center on campus at 450 North Ave. The event is free and open to the public.

THEATRE



[Mean Girls](#)

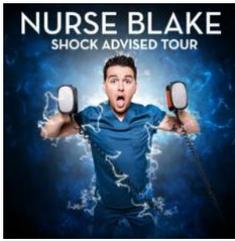
Oct 24, 2023 - Oct 25, 2023 at 07:30 pm

Ticket prices for all seats are \$40-85. Tickets go on sale Friday, August 18, 2023 you can purchase tickets online at millerauditorium.com, by phone at (269) 387-2300 or (800) 228-9858, or at the Box Office. Open Mon.-Fri. Noon-4 p.m. for phone and in-person orders. For more information, please visit or call our Miller Auditorium Box Office at (269) 387-2300. Presented by Miller Auditorium, Miller Auditorium 1341 Theatre Dr., Kalamazoo, MI 49006.

Direct from Broadway, MEAN GIRLS is the hilarious hit musical from an award-winning creative team, including book writer TINA FEY ("30 Rock), composer JEFF RICHMOND ("Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt"), lyricist NELL BENJAMIN (Legally Blonde) and director CASEY NICHOLAW (The Book of Mormon).

Cady Heron may have grown up on an African savanna, but nothing prepared her for the vicious ways of her strange new home: suburban Illinois. Soon, this naïve newbie falls prey to a trio of lionized frenemies led by the charming but ruthless Regina George. But when Cady devises a plan to end Regina's reign, she learns the hard way that you can't cross a Queen Bee without getting stung.

New York Magazine cheers, "MEAN GIRLS delivers with immense energy, a wicked sense of humor, and joyful inside-jokery." USA Today says, "We'll let you in on a little secret, because we're such good friends: GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!"



[Nurse Blake: Shock Advised Tour](#)

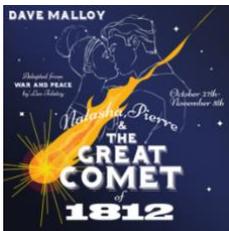
Thursday, Oct 26, 2023 at 8:00 pm

Tickets range from \$35-\$70. For more information please visit or call our Miller Auditorium Box Office at (269) 387-2300.

<https://www.millerauditorium.com/shows/2023-2024/nurse-blake-shock-advised-tour>

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

Nurse Blake hits the road again with his NEW COMEDY TOUR "SHOCK ADVISED!" Bring out your friends, family, and coworkers for an EPIC night as Nurse Blake shares new stories with a comedic twist of the ins and outs of being a nurse. Healthcare workers are going to pack the theaters, so it's sure to be the safest place and most fun place to be! Don't miss out and bring an AED cause this is going to get WILD!



[Natasha, Pierre and The Great Comet of 1812](#)

Thursday-Sunday, Oct 27, 2023 - Nov 05, 2023 at 2:00 pm, 7:30 pm

General Admission tickets are \$24, Senior tickets are \$19, Student tickets are \$10, and WMU Student tickets are \$7. Student and WMU Student tickets require the patron to bring their student ID when they check in at the performance.

Our box office hours are Tuesday-Friday 1 p.m.-5 p.m. as well as an hour and a half before each performance. You can always leave a message, and someone will get back to you as soon as possible. Season passes and tickets are always available [online](#).

Email: theatre-info@wmich.edu

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

From the celebrated and award-winning composer Dave Malloy comes Natasha, Pierre & The Great Comet of 1812, an electropop opera based on a scandalous slice of Leo Tolstoy's War and Peace. Young and impulsive, Natasha Rostova arrives in Moscow to await the return of her fiancé from the front lines. When she falls under the spell of the roguish Anatole, it is up to Pierre, a family friend in the middle of an existential crisis, to pick up the pieces of her shattered reputation. Following a critically exalted premiere at Ars Nova in New York City, a subsequent Off-Broadway transfer, and an acclaimed run on Broadway, this award-winning musical expands the possibilities for the genre with its daring score and bold storytelling.