

## Rotary Arts Minute 9/25/2023 Information provided by the



### [Community Arts Awards accepting nominations until 10/10!](#)

Nominations for the Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo (ACGK)'s 2023 Community Arts Awards are being accepted now through October 10, 2023. Nominations can be submitted online through the ACGK website at <https://www.kalamazooarts.org>. Award categories include the Community Medal of Arts, Theodore C. Cooper Award for Distinguished Volunteer Service, Adam F. Carter Young Artist Award, Business Arts Award, Epic Award, and Gayle Hoogstraten Arts Leadership Award. The Community Arts Awards will be announced on Oct. 31, 2023, and honorees will be celebrated on Tuesday, Dec. 5 at 7:00 pm at the Gull Lake Center for Fine Arts.



### [Explorations in Print with Trevor Grabill](#)

Tuesday, September 26, 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

Trevor Grabill is a printmaker and teacher in Kalamazoo and an instructor at the Kirk Newman Art School. Their woodblock and linocut prints depict the strangeness, beauty, and sadness of small towns and natural spaces in the Upper Midwest. They are fascinated by gardens, bus stops, side streets, parking lots, front porches, and other spaces that are simultaneously banal and magical. During this ARTbreak, Grabill offers a closer look into their artistic inspiration and process.



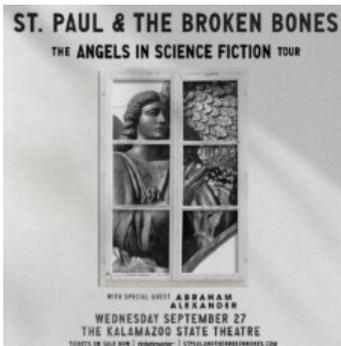
### [Gilmore Car Museum Cruise-Ins](#)

Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 5:00 pm – Chris Karl performing!

Presented by Gilmore Car Museum at [Gilmore Car Museum](#), 6865 Hickory Road, Hickory Corners, MI 49060

Wednesday Night Cruise-Ins at the Gilmore Car Museum have become an annual summer tradition from May through September! On good weather nights, the fun starts at 5 pm and runs until 8 pm, with both George & Sally's authentic 1941 Blue Moon Diner and The Grill serving hot dogs, hamburgers, and creamy old-fashioned

custard throughout the evening. With live music providing the soundtrack, these are evenings you and your family won't forget!



### [St. Paul & The Broken Bones — The Angels in Science Fiction Tour](#)

Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 7:30 pm

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

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

The eight-piece kings of soul, **St. Paul & The Broken Bones**, will bring their *Angels In Science Fiction* tour to the historic Kalamazoo State Theatre on Wednesday, September 27, with special guest **Abraham Alexander**.

Founded in Birmingham, Alabama in 2011, St. Paul & the Broken Bones consists of Paul Janeway (vocals), Jesse Phillips (bass), Browan Lollar (guitar), Kevin Leon (drums), Al Gamble (keyboards), Allen Branstetter (trumpet), Chad Fisher (trombone), and Amari Ansari (saxophone). The eight-piece ensemble burst into the world with their 2014 debut *Half the City*, establishing a sound that quickly became a calling card and landing the band a slew of major festivals including Lollapalooza, Coachella and Glastonbury. Critical praise from *The New York Times*, *Rolling Stone*, *SPIN* and *NPR* followed, leading to shared stages with some of the world's biggest artists—Elton John and The Rolling Stones among them—and launching an impressive run of headlining tours behind what *Esquire* touted as a “potent live show that knocks audiences on their ass.”

The group has continued to expand their sound with every record, branching out well beyond old-school soul into sleek summertime funk and classic disco on albums like 2018's *Young Sick Camellia*. Their forthcoming LP, *Angels In Science Fiction*, stretches their limbs further afield, building on the shadowy psychedelia and intricate, experimental R&B of 2022's *The Alien Coast*.

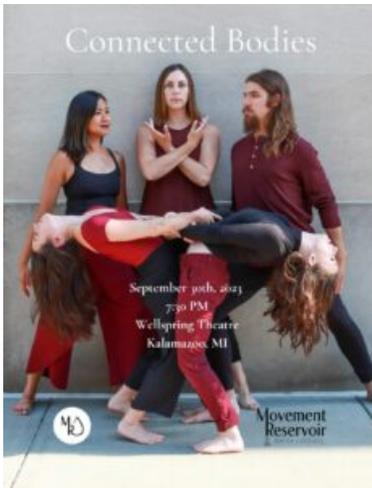


### [StarKid's "Firebringer" Auditions](#)

Thursday & Friday, Sep 28, 2023 - Sep 29, 2023 at 07:00 pm

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

First produced by innovative theatre company StarKid Productions in 2016, the show follows a prehistoric tribe of cavepeople as they navigate the discovery of fire. Auditions, which are free and open to the general public as well as KCC students, will be held from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Sept. 28 and 29, at the Binda Performing Arts Center, on campus at 450 North Ave. in Battle Creek. Participants should plan on attending the entire session on one of the audition dates.



**[Movement Reservoir Dance Company: "Connected Bodies"](#)**

September 30, 2023 at 7:30 pm

\$25 In-Person Ticket (\$20 with Student ID)

\$15 Online Ticket

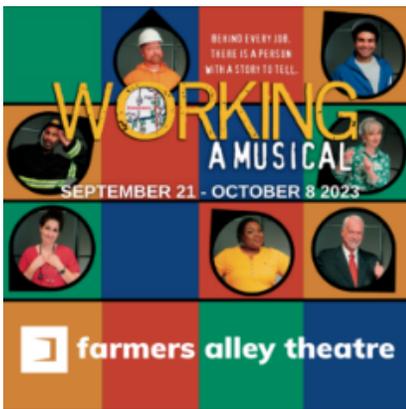
\$35 Combo Ticket (\$25 with Student ID)

\*Tickets are available at the door. Please come before doors open at 7:15 PM to purchase tickets at the door.

Presented by [Movement Reservoir Dance Company](#) at [Wellspring Theater](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Ste. 204, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Movement Reservoir Dance Company presents its Inaugural season concert, "Connected Bodies." It will be an evening of dance performances from choreographers in Movement Reservoir, local Kalamazoo artists, and choreographers from Holland, Grand Rapids, Detroit, and Chicago.

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**[Working, A Musical](#)**

Thursday, September 21, 2023 – Sunday, October 8, 2023 at 7:30 pm for evenings and 2:00 pm for matinees  
Tickets are \$44/\$48. \$10 rush tickets are offered for all performances starting 1 hour prior to curtain (subject to availability, must be present at the box office). Student ticket pricing is \$15 for all shows. Preview performance tickets on 9/21 are \$25.

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

Behind every job there's a story to tell, even right here in Kalamazoo! We are honored to present a new, visionary version of the beloved musical Working. Painting a vivid portrait of the men and women that the

world so often takes for granted, this classic musical was nominated for six Tony Awards during its original Broadway run. Now updated for the modern age, it features new songs by Tony Award-winning composer and lyricist Lin-Manuel Miranda, as well as favorites by Stephen Schwartz, Craig Carnelia, and James Taylor. Working is enhanced with stories from workers right here in Kalamazoo! Hear the experience of ten members of our community including local builder Ben Bierlein, Kalamazoo Central Principal Valerie Boggan, OutFront Kalamazoo Director of Programs Michael Cleggs, Michigan News Agency owner Dean Hauck, Bronson Methodist Hospital nurse Eva Heldt, and more. This will be a once-in-a-lifetime experience you can only see at the intimate Farmers Alley Theatre.



**["Anima and Animus" sculpture exhibit by Patti Opel](#)**

Monday-Friday, September 18, 2023 – October 19, 2023 at 8:00 am

Presented by [Kellogg Community College | Davidson Visual and Performing Arts Center](#), 450 North Ave, Battle Creek, MI 49017

Opel's exhibit, titled "Anima and Animus," features 11 large-scale, wall-hung sculptures and will run from Sept. 11 through Oct. 19 in the KCC Davidson Visual and Performing Arts Center's Eleanor R. and Robert A. DeVries Gallery, 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 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. A gallery talk and closing reception – also free and open to the public – will be held with the artist on Thursday, Oct. 19, in the gallery. The gallery talk, part of the College's continuing DeVries Lecture Series, will be held from 3 to 4 p.m. The closing reception will be held from 4 to 6 p.m.