

Rotary Arts Minute Report for Monday, September 14, 2020

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CLASSES & WORKSHOPS



[Music Together Online Mixed Ages Classes](#)

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday
Sep 08, 2020 - Nov 16, 2020 at 10:00 am, 05:30 pm, 06:00 pm

\$185 for 10 weeks session; financial aid available

Presented by [Crescendo Academy of Music](#) at [Crescendo Academy of Music](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Ste. 12, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

With Music Together Online, music class comes to you! Every week for ten weeks, Crescendo Academy's Music Together specialists will lead your whole family in fun music activities using songs from the Bongos Song Collection. Plus, you'll get a songbook, recordings of the music, access to digital content, membership in a private Facebook group for enrolled families, and bonus activities so the musical fun can continue all week long! It's the same high-quality music education for young children you expect from Crescendo Academy's Music Together, in a convenient new format that will deepen your family's bond as well as encourage your little one's growth and development. You'll be inspired to sing, dance, and jam together all week long! These classes are for children ages birth through age five and their parent(s) or caregiver(s).

CLASS DAYS AND TIMES:

Mixed Age Classes: for ages 0-5

Monday: 10:00 a.m. – Melissa Ludwa

Monday: 6:00 p.m. – Melissa Ludwa

Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. – Laura Betinis Healy

Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. – Caitlyn Bodine

Wednesday: 6:00 p.m. – Annie Dastoli

Thursday: 5:30 p.m. – Laura Betinis Healy

Friday: 10:00 a.m. – Melissa Ludwa

Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – Laura Betinis Healy



[Music Together Rhythm Kids Online Classes](#)

Monday, Thursday
Sep 10, 2020 - Nov 16, 2020 at 11:00 am, 06:00 pm

\$185 for 10-week session; financial aid available

Presented by [Crescendo Academy of Music](#) at [Crescendo Academy of Music](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Ste. 12, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

In this online experience, kids ages 4 (with prior Music Together experience) -7 and a parent or caregiver are invited to explore the world of rhythm through our Kangaroo Song Collection! This collection draws on songs and rhythms from Japan as well as some Puerto Rican and Cuban influences. Participation will include small and large movement, dancing, drumming, instrument play, and singing. Kids will enjoy inventing new ways to play with rhythmic instruments such as shakers, sticks and of course, drums! Skills developed include keeping a steady beat, improvisation, understanding melody and harmony, and solo opportunities. Families will receive a songbook, recordings, access to digital content, membership in a private Facebook group for enrolled families to encourage and build community as well as bonus activities and crafts to do at home that deepen our understanding of the music and culture represented in the this collection. This class meets weekly for 10 weeks. Need-based financial aid is available.

Rhythm Kids Class times:

Monday: 11:00 a.m. – Melissa Ludwa

Thursday: 6:00 p.m. – Melissa Ludwa



[Music Together Online Babies Classes](#)

Friday

Sep 11, 2020 - Nov 13, 2020 at 12:00 pm

\$185 for 10-week class; financial aid available

Presented by [Crescendo Academy of Music](#) at [Crescendo Academy of Music](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Ste. 12, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

What!?! An online class for... Babies? Actually, this class is designed for parents and caregivers of babies eight months and younger. Crescendo Academy's Certification Level II Specialist Melissa Ludwa will guide families through purposeful, meaningful, musical connections with our littlest music makers. The early months of child development are full of growth and wonder, and musical development is no different! Through beautiful multicultural music, we will explore movement, purposeful touch, sound layering, dancing, and more – all to help you feel more comfortable and confident making Music Together with YOUR baby! Adults and babies will feel more connected to each other as well as the larger parenting community through this 6-week session. Families will receive a songbook, recordings, access to digital content, membership in a private Facebook group for enrolled families to encourage and build community as well as bonus activities for all ages. Before you know it, you'll be recognizing your baby's sounds and movements as precious musical moments!

Babies Class: for 0-8 months

Friday: 12:00 p.m. – Melissa Ludwa



[Chinese Language and Culture Classes](#)

Sunday

Sep 13, 2020 - Jun 06, 2021 at 02:00 pm

Online Registration is highly encouraged at www.kzooca.org – Enrollment.

Yearly Registration Fee: \$30

Chinese language tuition \$280/year

Chinese folk dance tuition \$200/year

Free class tryout is welcome!

Presented by [Kalamazoo Chinese Academy](#) at WMU Sangren Hall, 999 Rankin Ave, Portage, MI 49006

Kalamazoo Chinese Academy (KCA) is a non-profit educational organization that is dedicated to providing Chinese language education and cultural experiences to its students from all cultural, racial, and ethnic backgrounds in the greater Kalamazoo community.

KCA starts to enroll students for Chinese Language and Culture classes, including Chinese folk dance and Chinese painting classes. We offer online classes on Sunday afternoons this Fall. If in-person instruction resumes, we hold classes on the 4th floor at Sangren Hall Western Michigan University.

MUSIC



[September 16 - Kanola Band](#)

Wednesday
Sep 16, 2020 at 05:00 pm
at [Bates Alley](#), Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Beats on Bates
Bates Alley
September 16, 5:00 – 8:00 pm

Enjoy Kanola Band at Beats on Bates on Wednesday, September 16 at 5 pm. Beats on Bates is a weekly summer music series launching in July and continuing through September 30.

Each concert is free and is friendly for the entire family



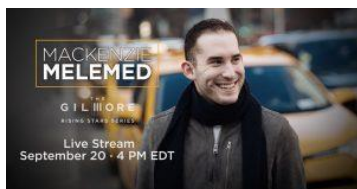
[Lonna Hardin Seated Album Release](#)

Friday
Sep 18, 2020 at 01:00 pm
at Online

Lonna Hardin Seated Album Release

Friday, September 18, 2020

Celebrate new music as Lonna Hardin releases her newest album, “Seated,” on September 18th. Please visit Lonna Hardin’s [homepage](#) to listen to snippets of her music and to purchase songs from “Seated.”



[Virtual Rising Stars - Mackenzie Melemed](#)

Sunday
Sep 20, 2020 at 04:00 pm
at [The Gilmore](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Suite 101, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

The Gilmore (Online)

Virtual Rising Stars | Mackenzie Melemed

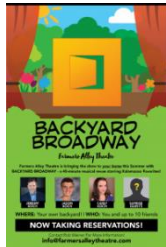
Sunday, September 20, 2020, 4:00 pm

American pianist Mackenzie Melemed presents an extremely diverse program of works that highlight his unique, individual voice. “Funérailles,” from Liszt’s epic, 10-piece cycle Harmonies poétiques et religieuses, highlights the performance, and his strengths as an interpreter of Beethoven will be seen in the composer’s Sonata in F Major, Op. 54, a remarkable work not often performed.

Mr. Melemed is the winner of The Juilliard School’s 2019 Leo B. Ruiz Carnegie Hall Recital Prize and 2018 Arthur Rubinstein Piano Prize, as well as the 2018 Paris Recital Prize from Poland’s Prix de Tarnów Competition. Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, he has transformed his New York City apartment into a home studio, performing concerts via livestream and offering virtual lessons to students around the world.

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THEATRE



[Backyard Broadway](#)

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday
Aug 04, 2020 - Sep 30, 2020 at 01:00 pm, 04:00 pm, 07:00 pm
Presented by [Farmers Alley Theatre](#) at Your Home

Farmers Alley Theatre

Backyard Broadway

August/September 2020 – We are taking reservations now!

We’re bringing the show to you! All of us are missing the magic of seeing and hearing a live performance IN PERSON. So since indoor events are not possible right now, let us bring the show to you!

BACKYARD BROADWAY is a fabulously entertaining musical revue of Broadway Hits past and present from shows like Hamilton, Dear Evan Hansen, West Side Story and more, presented in a special private performance for you and up to 10 friends right at your home! We have proper sound equipment and also can receive online payments. So we can provide these services to you, while maintaining proper social distance at all times!

WHAT: Backyard Broadway, a 40-minute music revue

WHERE: Your own backyard!

WHO: You and up to 10 friends.

WHEN: August/September 2020 – We are taking reservations now!

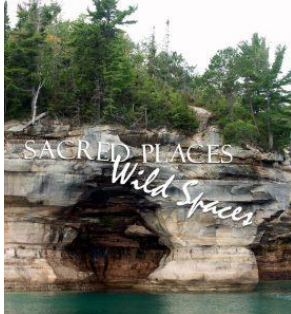
HOW MUCH: \$250 per performance

*****Schedule is limited – Only 20 spots available*****

Contact Rob Weiner at info@farmersalleytheatre.com and we'll find a date and time that works for you!

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VISUAL ARTS



[Westminster Art Festival](#)

Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Saturday

Aug 01, 2020 - Sep 30, 2020 at 10:30 am, 01:00 pm, 06:00 pm

free admission

Presented by [Westminster Presbyterian Church](#) at [Westminster Presbyterian Church](#), 1515 Helen Ave, Portage, MI 49002

Local artists will be exhibiting works on the theme "Sacred Places, Wild Spaces." Linda Rzoska will juror the exhibit and award prizes for first, second, third and several honorable mentions. There will also be booklet available for a donation containing the poetry submitted which will be juried by Dr. Gail Griffin. She will award prizes for first, second, and third place. Due to Covid-19, we will not be holding any public events this year, but the exhibit will be open certain times for personal or small group self-guided tours. Presentation of awards will take place virtually on dates to be determined. See the website for more information.



[Jaziel Pugh Mural](#)

Friday

Oct 17, 2019 - Oct 17, 2020 at 01:00 pm, 06:00 pm

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

Kellogg Community College will unveil a new mural created by celebrated local artist and KCC student Jaziel Pugh next week on campus in Battle Creek. The mural is an exterior mural and it is visible during COVID-19.

The mural will be unveiled during a Davidson Building Mural Reception running from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 17, at the Davidson Visual and Performing Arts Center on campus at 450 North Ave. The event is free and open to the public and will include remarks from the artist and Justin Andert, who organizes the annual Color the Creek street art festival in Battle Creek.

Color the Creek worked with the KCC Foundation and the College's Arts and Communication Department to facilitate the creation of the mural. The work, titled "Six Disciplines" consists of six panels, each approximately seven feet high and eight feet long, painted to represent the programs offered at the Davidson Center: art, communication, graphic design, music, photography/multimedia and theatre.