CONCERTS

The Concert Series is generously supported by Friends of Kent Free library



Enjoy all ages concerts on the 2nd floor balcony on Sundays at 2 PM. No registration.

Galgozy & Ingersoll

JUN 8 | 2 PM

Performs blues, folk, and country music



Amani Strings

JUL 20 | 2 PM

Performs a unique musical blend of soothing and rhythmic sound on cello, guitar, Kora, and Berimbau

GAMES



FIRST SUNDAYS | 1:30 - 4:30 PM JUN 1, JUL 6, AUG 3

Drop in to play board games with other enthusiasts. Bring a friend or make a few new ones. No registration.



FOURTH THURSDAYS | 2 PM

Play games for small prizes. Attend solo or with a group.

JUN 26: Jeopardy!: Art History JUL 24: Trivia: Women in the Visual Arts

AUG 28: Jeopardy!: Classic Literature

*Registration is required and begins one week in advance

PASSIVE PROGRAMS

Sunflower Art

First floor

Color a paper sunflower to add to a giant vase inspired by Van Gogh.





Paint by Sticker

First floor

Work together on a paint by sticker poster to reveal a famous work of art.









Adult Program Guide Summer 2025

SUMMER READ



Summer Read: Color Our World: JUN 1 - JUL 31

Join the Summer Read. Pick up a reading record from any Information Desk at the library. Track the time you spend reading and time spent outdoors to earn rewards and grand prize raffle tickets.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Who Lived Here? Kent South End History Mapping Workshop

SAT, JUN 14 at 1 PM

Community Geographer Jennifer Mapes is creating a map of Kent's South End using 3D printed houses. She is exploring residents from 1920-1950 including houses lived in by railroad workers, people not born in the US, and Southernborn African-Americans. Whether you are a South End resident or interested in Kent history or sociology, you can help.

Kent Blues Fest

SAT, JUL 12 at 2 PM Gregory Garwood

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Enjoy an all-ages concert on the 2nd floor balcony featuring an exciting blend of blues, soul, and classic rock originals and covers.

Bad Art Night

THU, JUL 17 at 2 PM

Bring your creativity and turn a hodgepodge of leftover supplies from past library craft programs into a masterpiece . . . or maybe just a mishmash. Either way, it will be fun!

Graphic Recording Artist - Matt Orley

MON, JUN 2 from 9 AM - 12 PM

Local artist Matt Orley will illustrate what he sees and hears at the library for us to display afterwards. YOU could become part of the story.

BOOK CLUBS

Books are available at the Check Out Desk. Some titles may be available to download. Audiobooks and eAudiobooks may also be available to borrow. Join a book club at any time. Previous book club participation is not required. No registration. Adults 18+.

JUST A TASTE | FIRST THURSDAYS | 7 PM

Explore different genres every month.

JUN 5: Babel by R. F. Kuang (Historical Fantasy)

JUL 3: *Erotic Stories for Punjabi Widows* by Balli Kaur Jaswal (Contemporary Romance)

AUG 7: Ender's Game by Orson Scott Card (Military SF)



NO SHELF CONTROL | FIRST MONDAYS | 11 AM

For readers who love Monday mornings, can't get enough books, and have eclectic reading habits.

JUN 2: Sociopath by Patric Gagne

JUL 7: Island of Sea Women by Lisa See

AUG 4: God of the Woods by Liz Moore

THURSDAY MORNING | SECOND THURSDAYS | 11 AM

For popular fiction lovers.

JUN 12: Eleanore of Avignon by Elizabeth DeLozier

JUL 10: The Museum of Failures by Thrity Umrigar

AUG 14: Swift River by Essie J. Chambers



READ THE CLASSICS | THIRD TUESDAYS | 7 PM

Discuss classical and award-winning literature.

JUN 17: The Country of the Pointed Firs by Sarah Orne Jewett

JUL 15: The Good Earth by Pearl S. Buck

AUG 19: The Interpreter of Maladies by Jhumpa Lahiri

KENT SILENT BOOK CLUB | THIRD THURSDAYS | 2 PM

JUN 19, JUL 17, & AUG 21 | Meets at The Cleveland Bagel Café,

436 E. Main St, Kent | No required reading-bring your own book and read in silence. After 45 minutes of quiet reading, stay and socialize or be on your way. Registration is requested, but drop ins are welcome.

FICTION TO FILM | FOURTH MONDAYS | 7 PM

Explore books that led to or were adapted for movies.

JUN 23: Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistlestop Cafe by Fannie Flagg

JUL 28: The Fellowship of the Ring by J.R.R. Tolkien

AUG 25: The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics by Daniel James Brown

MONTHLY PROGRAMS

*Registration is required and begins one week in advance.

Cinematic Crafters

FIRST WEDNESDAYS | 6:30 PM

Bring your current craft project to work on while watching a seasonal Hallmark movie and chatting with fellow crafters. Adults 18+.

JUN 4, JUL 2, & AUG 6

MindBody/Wellness*

SECOND MONDAYS | 7 PM

Experience different ways to improve your physical and mental health.

JUN 9: Textile Landscape Workshop with artist and art instructor Mandy Spisak

JUL 14: Outdoor Drum Circle/Relaxation with Music Izz Groovy at Al Lease Park

AUG 11: Tai Chi with Marcum's Martial Arts Academy

Home Economics 101*

SECOND WEDNESDAYS | 7 PM

Discover ways to improve and enhance your home and garden.

JUN 11: Visible Mending Workshop

JUL 9: Scrapbooking Workshop

AUG 13: Introduction to Permaculture with Jim Matalik of Fennel and Frog

Mocktails & Masterpieces*

SECOND THURSDAYS | 6:30 PM

Follow along to paint your masterpiece. Supplies will be provided. The same project will be offered two times. Register for one session.

JUN 12 & JUL 10: Colored Pencil Drawing with Robin Vande Zande

Creative Crafters*

FOURTH WEDNESDAYS | 7 PM

Make a craft to decorate your home or office. Supplies will be provided. The same project will be offered two times. Register for one session.

JUN 25: Book Edge Art– Bring a book from home and paint and decorate the edges

JUL 23 & AUG 27: Tie Dye– Bring a 100% cotton shirt to turn into a colorful masterpiece