# 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

#### **Board Game Club**

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.



# **Game Day\***

FOURTH THURSDAYS | 2 PM

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

JUN 26: Jeopardy!: Art History **IUL 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

#### **Bad Art!**

#### THU, IUL 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!



#### **Kent Blues Fest**

# SAT, JUL 12 at 2 PM **Gregory Garwood**

Enjoy an all-ages concert on the 2nd floor balcony featuring an exciting blend of blues, soul, and classic rock originals and covers. No registration.

# Film Screening: By Nature's Design: Exploring our Native Wildlife

#### SAT, AUG 9 at 11 AM

PBS Western Reserve presents a special screening of a new episode of By Nature's Design before the broadcast premiere, followed by a Q&A session where you can engage with experts and learn more about the importance of wetlands. Registration required. Ages 16 and older.

#### **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)



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

S P E C I A L S U M M E R

# KENT SILENT BOOK CLUB | THIRD THURSDAYS | 11 AM TIME!

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 | 6:30 PM: 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



