

## 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

**JUL 24:** Trivia: Women in the  
Visual Arts

**AUG 28:** Jeopardy!: Classic  
Literature

**\*Registration is required and  
begins one week in advance**

**NEW TIME**

## 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 Southern-born 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**

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.



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## 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

**SPECIAL  
SUMMER  
TIME!**

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

**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