

## ART HOP

### [Art Hop - September 2021](#)

Friday

Sep 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

Presented by [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#) at [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Suite 203, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Join us for Art Hop downtown Kalamazoo on Friday, September 3rd from 5-8 PM. The event is free to the public. Individual artists, arts organizations, and small businesses can apply online to show their work. Visit the new art hop site to get the [digital brochure!](#) Sign in for complete access. For complete information on Art Hop, visit the [program page](#). Need a paper copy of the brochure for September – open and print the PDF.



### [Art Hop September 2021 Stop 1: Crescendo Violinists](#)

Friday

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Presented by [Crescendo Academy of Music](#) at [Epic Center First Floor](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Crescendo Academy of Music presents student violinists accompanied by their teachers.

<https://www.crescendoacademy.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/CrescendoAcademyofMusic>

<https://www.instagram.com/crescendoacademyofmusic/>



### [Art Hop September 2021 Stop 2: Dave Elhart](#)

Friday

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Presented by [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#) at [James C. Westin Gallery at the Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Suite 203, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

David's art style is said to be engaging. No titles are provided. You, the viewer, provide the title from what you see and feel. Like music, art is an emotional experience.



**[Art Hop September 2021 Stop 3: Artxt Tyler, Mr. Jon JC, David Raznick, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute](#)**

Friday

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Presented by [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#) at [Epic Center - 2nd Floor Atrium](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Tyler is an artist that works in many mediums, acrylic, watercolor, digital and takes on many different subject matters. He is also influenced mostly by the world around him.

<https://www.facebook.com/artxttyler>

<https://www.instagram.com/artxttyler>

<https://etsy.com/shop/artxttyler>

Jonathan Clark creates stunning digital pieces based on entertainment. And some that personal and poignant.

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100034491372087>

<https://www.instagram.com/mrjonjc/>

David Raznick creates art to facilitate people’s imagination and encourage them to create art themselves.

Founded in 2011, the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at WMU offers high quality non-credit programs for mature adults in the greater Kalamazoo community. This volunteer organization, with support from WMUx, works with WMU emeriti, faculty and staff to offer courses and trips year-round.

OLLI at WMU is proud to have created a community of lifelong learners in Kalamazoo and looks forward to continued growth as it creates more and more diverse learning experiences for its members.



**[Art Hop September 2021 Stop 4: KJB Artistry, Julia Hope Art](#)**

Friday

Sep 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

Presented by [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#) at [Epic Center: Lower Level](#), 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Kylie Brown creates stunning candles with crystals and herbs. She also paints and makes lighter holders out of clay.

<https://www.etsy.com/shop/KyliesArtcamp?ref=seller-platform-mcnav>

Julia Vanderelzen is a multifaceted multimedia artist. Her main focuses are in fluid art, pottery and photography. Her inspiration comes from the places in nature she’s traveled to, as well as the both inner and outer galaxies she’s “traveled” to. By approaching her work with positive intention, and mindfulness, she is able to encapsulate a part of her soul into every piece, leaving each one special and unique.

[Http://Facebook.com/juliahopeart](http://Facebook.com/juliahopeart)

[Http://Instagram.com/juliahopeart](http://Instagram.com/juliahopeart)

[Http://Juliahopeart.com](http://Juliahopeart.com)



**[Art Hop September 2021 Stop 5: Other Curiosities](#)**

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Presented by [Other Curiosities](#) at [Bee Joyful](#), 243 S Kalamazoo Mall, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Dabbling in the more obscure things in life Other Curiosities/Valarie Birch creates one of a kind bone/nature works and much more!

<https://othercuriosities.com>

[https://linktr.ee/other\\_curiosities](https://linktr.ee/other_curiosities)

**[Art Hop September 2021 Stop 6: Joel Mabus, Connecting Chords Music Festival, Michigan Festival of Sacred Music](#)**

Friday

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Presented by [Michigan Festival of Sacred Music](#) at [Bronson Park](#), 200 W. South St., Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Joel Mabus Artist Statement and Links



“Joel Mabus is a free-ranging fretboard genius and funny, deep songwriter whose warm voice, sly humor, and musicianship sweep audiences along for the ride.

<http://www.joelmabus.com/>

Connecting Chords Music Festival Links:

<https://www.facebook.com/connectingchordsfest/>

<https://www.instagram.com/connectingchordsfest/>

Michigan Festival of Sacred Music Link:

<https://www.mfsm.us/>



**[Art Hop September 2021 Stop 7: Jace Slater](#)**

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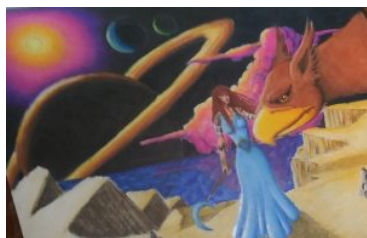
Presented by [Colors & Cocktails](#) at [Colors & Cocktails](#), 326 W Kalamazoo Avenue, Studio 309, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

[www.colors-and-cocktails.com](http://www.colors-and-cocktails.com)

[www.facebook.com/colorsandcocktails](https://www.facebook.com/colorsandcocktails)

[www.instagram.com/colorsandcocktails](https://www.instagram.com/colorsandcocktails)

Jace Slater is a local, 6 year old painter. His favorite type of painting is the paint pouring technique on canvas. He uses acrylic paint and different items to make different designs such as apple cutters, rings, little cups, and mini strainers. Jace loves to show and do paintings with his family and friends. He doesn't have a certain style, he likes to pick fun colors and go with the flow. Enjoy Jace's art work at the Colors & Cocktails gallery during the month of September.



**[Art Hop September 2021 Stop 8: Janet Meulman, Anthony Fitzpatrick, Michael Parker](#)**

Friday

Sep 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

Presented by [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#) at [Kalamazoo Defender](#), 151 S Rose St, Ste. 300, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Kalamazoo Defender Links:

<https://www.kalamazoodefender.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/Kalamazoo-Defender-1037471396438750>

Michael Parker Artist Statement:

Michael Parker looks to challenge himself as an artist by expanding his horizons and tapping into the vastness of his creative energy that coincides in his DNA. His aim is to create something that connects the viewer to the universe while also altering the consciousness of those who seek knowledge as ancient as the beginning of time.

Anthony Fitzpatrick Artist Statement:

The work Anthony Fitzpatrick presents involves movement and colors, from things he has listened to and formed shapes and movement of objects. The colors and contrast attract people to think of different emotions – all of which he hopes are positive.

Janet Meulman Artist Statement:

Someone asked Janet Meulman why she likes to paint. She loved art in school and brought it to her home decorating in marbelizing furniture and walls. This year she actually painted a beach scene on three sides of her yard shed. She fell in love with the different artistic views she saw when she visited a couple of museums when she was in Paris. She was just in awe of what could be done, and they all had different reactions from different people. It totally floored her how it could change how you were feeling at the moment and dreamed of later.



**[Art Hop September 2021 Stop 9: Corinn Rutkoski](#)**

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Presented by [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#) at [The Spirit of Kalamazoo](#), 166 S Kalamazoo MAll, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Corinn Rutkoski is a Kalamazoo-based artist and ecologist who creates relief prints and mixed media collages inspired by Michigan flora and the mysteries of the natural world.

<https://www.instagram.com/worldswithinworlds/>



### [Art Hop September 2021 Stop 10: Ken Morgan](#)

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Presented by [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#) at [City Centre Market and Deli](#), 125 S. Kalamazoo Mall Drive, Kalamazoo, MI 49009

Ken Morgan has been performing as a woodwind and recording artist (flutes, saxophones, clarinet) for over 60 years. Ken has performed in symphony orchestras, jazz groups, World music ensembles, and has been called on to back up well known artists & touring shows such as Louis Armstrong, Henry Mancini, Aretha Franklin, the Broadway Beatles tribute group Rain, the Houston Opera Company's Porgy & Bess, to name just a few.



### [Art Hop September 2021 Stop 11: Patrick Rodgers](#)

Friday

Sep 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

Presented by [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#) at [V & A Bootery](#), 202 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

"Your own true north"

[V&A Bootery Link](#)

[www.vabootery.com](http://www.vabootery.com)



### [Art Hop September 2021 Stop 12: Community Photographers](#)

Friday

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Presented by [Center for New Media](#) at [Kalamazoo Valley Center for New Media & Arcus Gallery](#), 100 E. Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49007

This exhibit features photography by Kalamazoo Valley Community College students and community members.

<https://www.kvcc.edu/artexhibits>

<https://facebook.com/KalamazooValley/CNM>

<https://instagram.com/centerfornewmedia>



### [Art Hop September 2021 Stop 13: Tracy Klinesteker](#)

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Presented by [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#) at [Honor Credit Union](#), 148 E Michigan Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49009

Tracy Klinesteker's paintings celebrate her joy of color with realistic interpretation.

<https://tracy-klinesteker.format.com/work>



### [Art Hop September 2021 Stop 14: Glass Art Kalamazoo](#)

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Presented by [Glass Art Kalamazoo](#) at [Glass Art Kalamazoo](#), 326 W. Kalamazoo Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49007

On display in our gallery will be a retrospective of work created by our Summer Glass Camp 2021 students. Come check out the awesome work of these creative kids! We will also have our signature glass blowing show in the hot shop, our Journey Beads volunteers demonstrating in the flame shop, and a hands-on project available in our fusing studio. Art Hop is back at Glass Art Kalamazoo!

[Home](#)

<https://www.facebook.com/GlassArtKalamazoo/>

[https://www.instagram.com/glass\\_art\\_kalamazoo/](https://www.instagram.com/glass_art_kalamazoo/)



### [Art Hop September 2021 Stop 16: Shaquona Espinoza and Josh Ford](#)

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Presented by [BeadVenture](#) at [Beadventure](#), 320 E Michigan , Suite 101, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Shaquona Espinoza is an artist born and raised in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Art has always been a part of her life, but it wasn't until 2018 that she started painting with acrylic paints on canvas. She would focus on the simplicity and beauty of nature and with time she decided to paint faces that brought familiarity into her life.

Knowing that her artwork/gift isn't just for her, but for others to love and enjoy, keeps her motivated to be creative and challenge herself. She tends to create artwork that challenges her perception of reality. She wants her art to make people feel good.

Shaquona's artwork has been showcased at Elements, the WMU Office for Sustainability, the Epic Center, the Black Arts and Cultural Center, Center for New Media at KVCC, Channel 8 News and virtually during Juneteenth- curated by Soul Artistry LLC, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts during the West Michigan Area Art Show, Public Media Network, the Kalamazoo Defenders, and virtually- curated by the Black Arts and Cultural Center. Shaquona is a permanent vendor at BeadVenture, a nonprofit program of the Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo. Her artwork is available for purchase in the cooperative space she shares with other local artists and handmade vendors who support the mission of teaching youth the art and culture of crafting and the entrepreneurial skills to sell their work.

Josh Ford recently moved from Ohio to Michigan. His art style is abstract and cartoon, pieces that make you think and a statement about social issues. He uses a large variety of paint mediums.



## [Art Hop September 2021 Stop 17: Caitlin Brooks, Austin Rounds, Kaley Miller](#)

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Sep 03, 2021 at 05:00 pm

Presented by [Arts Council of Greater Kalamazoo](#) at [The Arc Community Advocates](#), 814 S Westnedge Ave, Kalamazoo, MI 49008

The Arc Community Advocates Links:

<https://www.communityadvocates.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/TheArcCommunityAdvocates>

Austin Rounds:

Austin Rounds is a nineteen year old artist who has used his art as an outlet and a way to express himself when the world around him may feel off kilter, beautiful, and even challenging. Being autistic has not always been easy, but it is a part of who Austin is, and only adds to his creativity. Austin Rounds is currently finishing art projects as the main illustrator for an upcoming book, Michigan Monsters and Macabre Series Two (schedule to be published fall 2021) by Wicked Harvest Books. He continues to work on commissioned pieces of art, and enjoys working with a variety of styles and mediums. Enjoy the marvelously creative and unbridled art of Austin Rounds.

<https://www.facebook.com/austin.rounds.18>

<https://www.instagram.com/austinroundsgallery/?fbclid=IwAR2I677RS7YV97UVoDDnaGX2GKts5wLFaeGaqZxKcAksLVs0jJXW8HpxrXc>

Kaley Miller:

Kaley is a young woman whose passion is painting and working with color. With support from her family and friends she started a small business re-purposing small household items by painting and waxing them with chalk paint. She takes items found at estate and garage sales, cleans them, repairs (with help) and paints. She especially likes to paint and decorate mason jars. No two items are exactly alike. You can find her selling at community events or private parties.

[https://www.facebook.com/kaleysartstudio/about/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/kaleysartstudio/about/?ref=page_internal)

Caitlin Brooks:

Caitlin Brooks hails from Kalamazoo, Michigan. Vocalist and multi-instrumentalist with big passion for rock, blues, soul, jazz, and a bouquet of many related sub-genres.

<https://www.YouTube.com/user/CaitlinBrooksMusic>

[https://www.facebook.com/caitlinbrooksmusic/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/caitlinbrooksmusic/?ref=page_internal)