

MARCH PROGRAMS

March 6

10 am doors open, 10:30 program begins — Wichita Art Museum

WAM Senior Wednesday: Art Film

In celebration of WAM's newly opened exhibition, *Dignity vs. Despair: Dorothea Lange and Depression-Era Photography 1933-1942 from the Nelson-Atkins Museum*, join us for a screening of the PBS American Masters documentary, *Dorothea Lange: Grab a Hunk of Lightning*. Known for her powerful photographic images from the Great

1:30 pm—WATER Center

Wichita State University Environmental Finance Center.

The Wichita State University Environmental Finance Center will share about projects they are working on with Kansas communities to create solutions to environmental challenges that improve quality of life.

March 13

10 am—Sedgwick County Zoo

Species Re-introduction

Ever wonder how re-introducing animals like the black-footed ferret, grey wolf, or bison has impacted their ecosystems? Join us as we discover how the re-introduction of native species benefits their habitats.

1:30 pm—Wichita Public Library, Central Library

Hell After Sundown? The History of West Wichita – Keith Wondra

The image of Delano, or West Wichita as it was known in the 19th century, is one of vice and violence. Keith Wondra, Assistant Curator at Old Cowtown Museum, will discuss whether Delano was as rowdy as everyone claims.

March 20

10 am—Ulrich Museum of Art

Finding the Extraordinary in the Ordinary

Kevin Rabas, Poet Laureate of Kansas, will share how poetry can illuminate the path through our daily lives, revealing beauty in the mundane tasks and objects that we often overlook. With words and music, this presentation will uplift our daily experiences by exploring what poet Pablo Neruda called the “ode to ordinary things.” This program is made possible by Humanities Kansas.

1:30 pm — The Kansas African American Museum

The Personal Touch by TaDonne Neal

Come here personal stories of residents, the cultural and historic data collected along with the photo portraits are a digital archive housed at The Kansas African American Museum.

March 27

10 am—Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum

The Story of Pizza Hut and the Creation of the Museum by Rachele Meineke

How the original Pizza Hut was started and how Dan Carney's vision for the museum came to fruition.

1:30 pm—Exploration Place

Escape the Ordinary – The Room

Dive into a real life experience and learn about Escape Rooms and how humans interact when posed a series of challenges. Afterwards, tour through *Top Secret: License to Spy*, the current national traveling exhibit.

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YOUR SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY—MARCH 2019

Senior Wednesdays are informational and entertaining sessions, designed for active seniors and offered by a collaboration of twelve institutions.

First Wednesday

Morning, Doors open at 10 am

Wichita Art Museum (\$2 admission)

(316) 268-4921

Afternoon, 1:30 pm

WATER Center (Free) 101 E. Pawnee, in Herman Hill

(316) 350-3386

Second Wednesday

Morning, 10 am

Sedgwick County Zoo (\$4 programming fee)

(316) 266-8213

Afternoon, 1:30 pm

Advanced Learning Library (Free)

(316) 261-8500

Third Wednesday

Morning, 10 am light refreshments, 10:30 program begins

Ulrich Museum of Art, WSU (Free)

1845 N. Fairmount

(316) 978-3664

Afternoon, 1:30 pm

The Kansas African American Museum (Free)

316-262-7651

Fourth Wednesday

Morning, 10 am, Doors open at 9:30

Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum (\$2 Admission)

(316) 265-9314

Afternoon, 1:30 pm

Exploration Place (\$4 Admission + tax)

(316) 660-0600

Fifth Wednesday

Morning, 10 am light refreshments, 10:30 program begins

Great Plains Nature Center (Free)

(316) 683-5499

Afternoon, 1:30 pm

Old Cowtown Museum (\$2 programming fee)

(316) 350-3323

JANUARY PROGRAMS

January 2

Wichita Art Museum

Senior Wednesday at WAM takes a holiday break in January.

1:30 pm—WATER Center

Senior Wednesday at the WATER Center takes a holiday break in January.

January 9

10 am—Sedgwick County Zoo

Animal Builders

Ever wonder how animals make their homes? Join us as we explore the different ways that animals construct structures to meet their needs.

1:30 pm—Advanced Learning Library

Twain for Twainiacs – Ken Church, Historical Performer

Enjoy a visit with Mark Twain, America's beloved humorist and author. There will be time for questions and discussion at the end of the performance. Ken Church has been presenting this program since 1972 around the state of Kansas.

January 16

10 am—Ulrich Museum of Art

Join Ulrich director Leslie Brothers for a deep dive into the history of video art—from Nam Paik to Chris Marker—and insights into the videos and films featured in the Ulrich exhibition *In the Wake* on view January 24-March 31, 2019.

1:30 pm — The Kansas African American Museum

United We Stand by Kenon Brinkley

Join The Kansas African American Museum as we remember the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Kenon will share thoughts of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s life from a Young Adult's perspective, through spoken word.

January 23

10 am—Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum

Celebrate Kansas Statehood by a Cavalcade of Musical Guests.

Great "Kansas Style" music will be enjoyed as we celebrate our statehood. (Jan. 29th 1861)

1:30 pm—Exploration Place

Celebrate Kansas – Jim Mason

Join us to hear about the historical Ackerman Island and the historic Island Park baseball stadium. Then take a stroll down the Making of a Landmark exhibit to see where Exploration Place began.

January 30

10 am refreshments, 10:30 program begins-Great Plains Nature Center

Garrett Hopper, a Research Assistant at Kansas State University, will be speaking about aquatic ecology. He has been studying how a small prairie stream fish community responds to drought in the Flint Hills of Kansas.

1:30 pm – Old Cowtown Museum

There Has To Be A Better Way: Innovation in Victorian America. Innovation was so expansive in the era that one person stated everyone was tinkering in their basement. Change and improvements were constant. We will look a sampling of how innovation changed lives.

FEBRUARY PROGRAMS

February 6

10 am doors open, 10:30 program begins — Wichita Art Museum

WAM Senior Wednesday: Gallery Tour

Join Courtney Spousta, curator of education, for a tour of *Kansas Land* featuring photography from two University of Kansas projects. Explore the themes of environmental and economic challenges that face farmers today. This tour will encourage discussion and thoughtful looking.

1:30 pm—WATER Center

Lisa French with the Cheney Lake Watershed, Inc. will share about the Cheney Lake Watershed and programs they use to protect water quality.

February 13

10 am—Sedgwick County Zoo

Invasive Species

How did animals like the red-eared slider, the zebra mussel and the brown tree snake become some of the world's worst invasive species? Join us as we learn why various species were introduced around the world and how their introduction impacts ecosystems.

1:30 pm— Advanced Learning Library

Exploring the Nooks and Crannies of Kansas – Marci Penner & WenDee Rowe
Cultural investigators Marci Penner and WenDee Rowe went to every one of the 626 incorporated cities in Kansas to research for their new *Kansas Guidebook 2 for Explorers*. They will take the library audience on a photo journey around the state showing lesser-known things to see and do and recommending places to eat.

February 20

10 am—Ulrich Museum of Art

Documentary: Watermark

We humans interact with water in a myriad of ways, but how often do we consider the complexity of that interaction? *Watermark*, a film by award winning filmmaker Jennifer Baichwal and renowned photographer Edward Burtynsky, brings together diverse stories from around the globe about our relationship with water, how we are drawn to it, what we learn from it, how we use it and the consequences of that use.

1:30 pm —The Kansas African American Museum

Community Engagement through the Arts by Ellamonique Baccus, Director of Arts Partners and the 9th street artist consultant.

Come learn about the inspiration for the Horizontes Project's 13th street bridge

February 27

10 am—Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum

African American Entrepreneurship in Wichita: Past and Present by Robert E. Weems, Jr.

The history of black entrepreneurship in Wichita featuring highlights of Weems' "Wichita African American Business History Project."

1:30 pm—Exploration Place

Avoiding Frauds and Scams – Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office

Come learn about how you can keep from getting roped into schemes.