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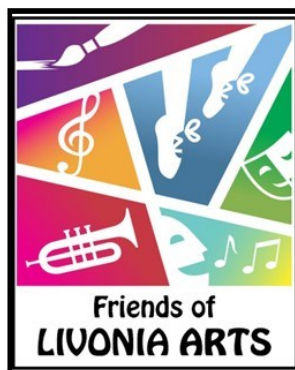


What are the
"Friends of LIVONIA ARTS"
 organizations doing in
AUGUST 2025?
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Click on
 "AUGUST 2025"
 On our WEBSITE
friendsoflivoniaarts.org
 to find out
 what is happening!!

*On the following pages are the
 AUGUST 2025 activities of the nine
 (9) Member Organizations and
 three (3) Affiliates of the
Friends of LIVONIA ARTS.
 Go to our Website and discover
 more information about "what we
 do".*

See you in SEPTEMBER!!



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MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS AS OF APRIL 2025:

Livonia Arts Commission
 Livonia Civic Ballet
 Livonia Civic Chorus
 Livonia Youth Choir
 Motor City Youth Theatre

Livonia Community Theatre
 Livonia Symphony Orchestra
 Livonia Youth Symphony
 Orchestras of Michigan
 Livonia Town Hall

ARTS Affiliates:

Madonna University's Lyric Theatre
 Schoolcraft College's Music Department
 Bennett Civic Center Library

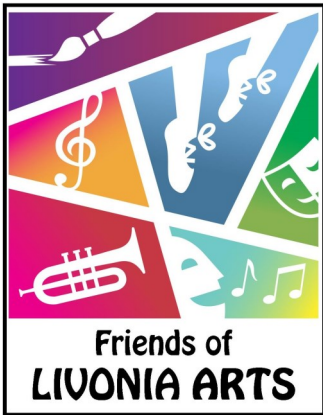
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Livonia
 Anniversary
 Committee



Rotary
 Club of Livonia AM



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ARTS COMMISSION

Website: <https://www.livonia.gov/1638/Arts-Commission>

MUSIC FROM THE HEART

*The Music from the Heart Series will run on
Thursday Evenings from 7-9 PM on the
Back Steps of CITY HALL*

AUGUST 7—THE BLUE TOP BLUES BAND

AUGUST 14—DEVIN SCILLIAN & ARIZONA SUN

AUGUST 21—JOYRIDERS

AUGUST 28—VINYL ROCKIT

SEPTEMBER 4—STEVE KING AND THE DITTILIES

ARTISTS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2025

RICHARD ADAMS

City Hall Lobby

MARY PACHIKARA

Janet and Robert Bennett

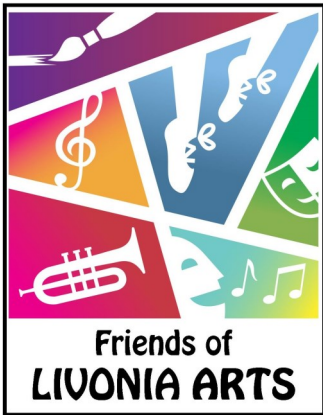
Civic Center Library
(2nd Floor Gallery)

FINE ARTS SHOW

The 26th Livonia Exhibition of Fine Arts Show is coming up **Sept. 28-Oct. 25, 2025**. This juried art show features more than \$2,000 in prizes on top the opportunity to showcase your artwork for the community. Multiple mediums are accepted. [Learn more about the show and how to apply \(PDF\)](#).

The postmark deadline for entries is **Aug. 29**. Artists will [submit their first two pieces of artwork](#) (\$40 total, regardless of submitting one or two) and [any additional pieces separately \(up to 10 total\)](#) (\$10 each). If accepted by the jurors by Sept. 17, artwork will be on display in the second-floor art gallery at the Bennett Civic Center Library Sept. 28-Oct. 25, with an artists reception 6:45-9 p.m. Oct. 10.





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LIVONIA CIVIC BALLET:

Further Questions

Call...734-679-4830

AUDITIONS FOR DECEMBER'S "NUTCRACKER"





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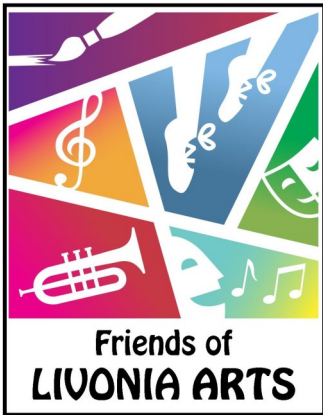
Nutcracker Auditions

SEPTEMBER

07

12-1:15 AGES 8-11
1:30-3:15 AGES 12+

PROPER BALLET ATTIRE REQUIRED
POINTE SHOES IF AVAILABLE
\$25 PER DANCER



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LIVONIA CIVIC CHORUS

WEBSITE: www.livoniacivicchorus.org

It Takes...

TENORS and **BASSES**



SOPRANOS and **ALTOS**



To Start our 61st SEASON as the...



LIVONIA CIVIC CHORUS

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE....

www.livoniacivicchorus.org

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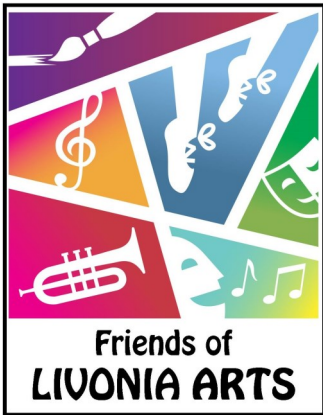
<https://www.facebook.com/LivoniaCivicChorus>

**"WE
LOVE
TO SING"
IF YOU DO, JOIN US!!!**



REHEARSALS BEGIN TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2nd,
at 7 pm at Emmanuel Lutheran Church,
34567 W. Seven Mile, Livonia





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LIVONIA YOUTH CHOIR: For more information, contact...

Email: livoniayouthchoir@gmail.com Website: www.livoniayouthchoir.org



Audition dates

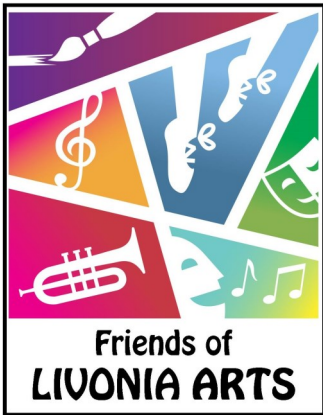
There's still time to join us for this season! Our choir will be accepting more new students in September.

Choose one date to audition:

- September 15, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm
- September 22, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Can't make it? That's okay! We hold auditions twice per year – typically in September and January. For future auditions, check back for dates and times, or [follow us on Facebook](#) so you don't miss the news!

Auditions are always held at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Livonia.



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MOTOR CITY YOUTH THEATRE:

Website: www.mcyt.org,

Email: motorcityouththeatre@gmail.com

27555 GRANTLAND

LIVONIA 48150

Sherlock Holmes and the Irregulars: The Great Blackmail Case



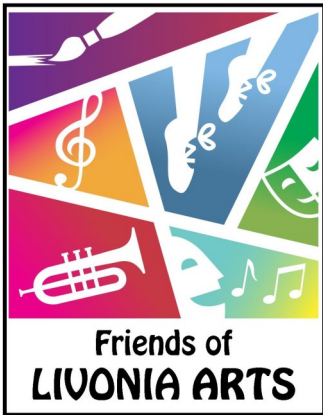
Come audition for a fun mystery featuring the great detective Sherlock Holmes and the equally famous biographical Dr. Watson. Sherlock faces a foe who is willing to blackmail the Queen of England to take over all of England. This job is too big for Sherlock alone; he will need the reliable and dependable group of junior sleuths known as the Baker Street Irregulars to help. There are many fun roles to try out for. All those auditioning need to bring a short monologue to present. The monologue doesn't need to be memorized, but those auditioning need to show a variety of emotions when performing monologue.

AUDITIONS

Saturday, September 6th
ages 8-up

Auditions: 10:00am to 1:00 pm Saturday September 6th at Motor City Youth Theatre. 27555 Grantland, Livonia, MI 48150

All children who register will be cast in the show.



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LIVONIA COMMUNITY THEATRE

WEBSITE: <https://livoniatheatre.org/>

SING *Dance*

ACT

Livonia Community Theatre
2025 Summer Camps

Registration begins March 1st
Scan for Registration link

Broadway Bound
August 4-8
Grades 6-9
9am to 3pm

Shining Stars
August 11-15
Grades 2-5
9am to 3pm

Each camp culminates in a Friday night performance for friends and families

\$250 per Camper
(contact us for information on scholarships and sibling discounts)

livoniatheatre.org
livoniacommunitytheatre@gmail.com

15TH SUMMER

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church
27475 Five Mile Rd., Livonia
MI 48154

Season 2025-2026

Livonia Community Theatre

ALL IN THE TIMING
SIX ONE-ACT PLAYS

by David Ives
November 7-9 and 15-16

THE WHITE ROSE

by Lilian Garrett-Groag
February 20-22 and 27-28

MEET VERA STARK

by Lynn Nottage
May 8-9 and 15-17

SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK
THE TEMPEST

by William Shakespeare
Summer 2026

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CHECK the LIVONIA TOWN HALL Website

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for the 2025-2026 Season Speakers and Ticket Information





October 15, 2025 **Maureen Brosnan**
*"Celebrating 75 Years:
 Together We Build Tomorrow"*

Maureen Brosnan was elected in 2019 to be the first female mayor of Livonia, Michigan's 10th largest city. Prior to this she served on the Livonia city council and was a leader for several non-profit organizations. She will speak about the remarkable community that Livonia has become in the last 75 years and about the future for the city of Livonia.

November 19, 2025 **Colin Woodard**
*"Blackbeard and the
 Real Pirates of the Caribbean"*

Colin Woodard is a New York Times best-selling author, an award winning historian and a long time foreign correspondent. He will tell a tale of a single band of pirates from the early 18th century that shook the foundations of four empires. The story is so intriguing that it has gripped our popular imagination even today. It's a compelling story that makes people rethink their assumptions about the colonial era.






March 18, 2026 **Louis Masur**
*"America's Founding Father:
 The Life of George Washington"*

Returning for a second engagement, Louis Masur is a Distinguished Professor of American Studies at Rutgers University. He is an engaging and informative cultural historian who focuses on distinct moments of history and seeks to unpack their meaning. The examination of George Washington will begin with an exploration of his life as a Virginian, military leader and first President. In America, Washington became a hero unlike any other.

April 15, 2026 **Michael Minor**
"An Unforgettable One Man Variety Show"

Michael Minor is an accomplished singer, actor and ventriloquist. He began his entertainment career in 1st grade, performing for friends and family. He is a versatile entertainer with a show that has something for everyone. As a singing ventriloquist he impersonates both old and young, think Louis Armstrong to Justin Timberlake. It is a one man variety show like you have never seen.





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Contact: Barbara Wiltsie, Music – Program Director. For more information bwiltsie@madonna.edu

734-432-5715 www.madonna.edu/music

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<https://livonialibrary.info/adult/#concerts>

USE THIS LINK TO FIND OTHER EVENTS AT THE
LIBRARY FOR AUGUST 2025

Noontime Concerts



Join us every month for a special concert that will entertain audiences of all ages. All concerts take place in the Bennett Civic Center Library Atrium, begin at 12:15 p.m., and are free to attend. Bring your brown bag lunch and enjoy the show.

Co-sponsored by the [Livonia Arts Commission](#).



2025/2026 Schedule

- September 18: [HarmonyTown Chorus](#)

MORE DATES COMING SOON!!

Title:	LPL Art Studio: Shibori Scarf Dyeing
From:	6:30pm Thursday, August 7, 2025
To:	7:30pm Thursday, August 7, 2025
Location:	Meeting Room A, Meeting Room B, Meeting Room C
Location:	Bennett Civic Center Library
Categories:	Adults
Registration:	Registration is required for this event.
Description:	<p>Discover the beauty of shibori , the ancient Japanese art of indigo dyeing, in this hands-on workshop. Learn simple folding and binding techniques to create stunning patterns as you design your own unique shibori-dyed scarf. All materials will be provided, and no experience is necessary—just bring your creativity and leave with a beautiful wearable work of art!</p> <p><i>Note: Patrons are welcome to bring a cotton item (t-shirt, tote bag, etc.) if they would prefer to dye something other than a scarf. Natural fibers like cotton work best for this dyeing technique. Please ensure the item is made of fabric that is easy to fold, bind, and absorb dye effectively. Synthetic fabrics do not hold dye well and are not recommended.</i></p>