

SEPTEMBER PROGRAMS

September 6

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

Art Movie: The September Issue

In anticipation of WAM's fall exhibition, *Irving Penn: Beyond Beauty*, opening to the public on September 30, join us for a film documenting the fashion world of Vogue Magazine and its hyped September issue. Program begins at 10am with coffee and treats; film begins at 10:30 am.

1:30 pm—WATER Center

History of Air Quality – Randy Owens

Come and learn about the history of air quality!

September 13

10 am—Sedgwick County Zoo

Praise for Pollinators

Do you like honey? What about watermelon, cantaloupe and strawberries for your Labor Day cook out. So do pollinators! Our cookouts would be nearly empty if it were not for awesome pollinators. Buzz on over to Sedgwick County Zoo and learn about different pollinators and the assortment of items they pollinate.

1:30 pm—Wichita Public Library, Central Library

DNA Testing & Genealogy – Barbara Mulvihill

Learn more about what DNA testing shows and how that relates to your family tree. Salina Librarian Barbara Mulvihill will answer questions about the usefulness of DNA in finding long-lost relatives, which tests are best & how reliable they are.

September 20

10 am—Ulrich Museum of Art

Empty Bowls: Glaze-a-Bowl and Feed the Hungry

110 Henrion Hall (south of the Ulrich Museum). The bowls we made on August 16 are fired and ready for you to glaze! Brenda Lichman's team of ceramic graduate and undergraduate students will show you how. And don't worry – if you were unable to join us in August, they have plenty of bowls for you glaze!

1:30 pm—The Kansas African American Museum

Through the Lens Darkly

Come and view *Through the Lens Darkly* as film producer Thomas Allen Harris showcases Black Photography and the emergence of a people. The film itself has a dual nature. One aspect has Harris pondering the importance of photography in the lives of his and other black families and the various purposes it served, from recording family histories to helping with the often ambivalent task of reflecting on blackness itself.

September 27

10 am—Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum

Notorious Kansas Bank Heists: Gunslingers to Gangsters – Rod Beemer

This fun and engaging presentation by author Rod Beemer will take you to the heart of the action with tales of some of the most notorious bank heists in Kansas history.

1:30 pm—Exploration Place

Graphic Novels – Darren Defrain

Get the scoop about the influences of graphic novels and their important place in historical references and humanity.

SENIOR WEDNESDAY

YOUR SCHEDULE FOR JULY - SEPT 2017

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

Wichita Public Library, Central 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 for non-members)

(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



JULY PROGRAMS

July 5

Wichita Art Museum

No Senior Wednesday at WAM in July due to Independence Day. See you in August!

1:30 pm—WATER Center

After Treatment – Rebecca Lewis

Ever wonder what happens after your sewage is treated? Where does it go? What happens to it?

July 12

10 am—Sedgwick County Zoo

Animal Signs and Symbols

We use signs every day to survive. Yield to traffic & four way stop. Shirts and shoes required for service. What signs do animals use to survive? How do animals use signs to navigate in their world? Pay attention to the signs and find your way to Sedgwick County Zoo to learn more about animals signs.

1:30 pm—Wichita Public Library, Central Library

Eisenhower Memorial – Judy Burgess

On October 25, 1999, Congress created the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission, and charged it with creating "an appropriate permanent memorial to Dwight D. Eisenhower...." Hear the story of the design, the controversy, and the eventual compromise that resulted in a memorial to honor Ike that will be in view of the U.S. Capitol.

July 19

10 am—Ulrich Museum of Art

Creating Access: Digitization of the Ulrich Collection

Join Ulrich registrar, Stephanie Teasley, for an insider look at the five-year project to digitize the museum's 6600 objects for web-based access to researchers, students, and the public.

1:30 pm—The Kansas African American Museum

Buffalo Soldier reenactor Jay Clark

Buffalo Soldiers played a significant part of settling the west. Nicodemus was a place where its settlers would have both political freedom and economic opportunity. Clark will share his knowledge/research of the buffalo soldiers and his experiences reenacting as one across the state in hopes of making the history come alive.

July 26

10 am—Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum

The Infamous Dr. Brinkley – Attorney Jerry Harper

Dr. Brinkley was one of the most famous Kansans during the 1920s-30s due to his outrageous medical practice of transplanting goat glands into American men promising "youthful vigor" and a cure for various maladies.

1:30 pm—Exploration Place

American Symbolism: Captain America and Superman – Darren Defrain

Unearth our nation's identity with Captain America from Marvel Comics and Superman from DC Comics as ideals as well as other famous heroes and heroines.

AUGUST PROGRAMS

August 2

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

Docents' Favs

WAM docents share their enthusiasm and knowledge of their favorite works of art in the museum. Spend time touring and talking about the collections with the museum's dedicated volunteer tour guides. Gallery seating will be provided.

Program begins at 10am with coffee and treats; gallery tour begins at 10:30 am.

1:30 pm—WATER Center

How to Prevent Pollution from your Own House – Cindy Le

Come and learn about ways that you can prevent pollution from your very own home!

August 9

10 am—Sedgwick County Zoo

Some Like it Hot, Others Do Not

Do you like it warm and your friends like it cold? Do you look forward to a toasty summer or a snow filled winter? Visit us on this sweltering summer day to find out which animals want a beach umbrella and which animals prefer a heavy winter coat.

1:30 pm—Wichita Public Library, Central Library

Along the Chisholm Trail – Jeff Davidson

A musician and story teller from Eureka will lead us up the trail by song, riding herd on a rainy night and eating 10 gallons of dust. "Cowboy Up" and hit the trail with us!

August 16

10 am—Ulrich Museum of Art

Empty Bowls: Build-a-Bowl and Feed the Hungry

110 Henrion Hall (south of the Ulrich Museum). The Empty Bowls Chili Cook-off is October 28 and we are gathering together to work with clay and contribute hand-made ceramic bowls to support this amazing event. Brenda Lichman's team of ceramic students will demonstrate hand-building and throwing techniques – no experience required!

1:30 pm—The Kansas African American Museum

KAA Trail – Jo Bogan

The Kansas African American Museums project manager, Jo Bogan will explain all the exciting stops on the Kansas African American Trail. Come and learn what fun and exciting information you can expect to learn at each historical site.

August 23

10 am—Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum

Kansas Music: Stories of a Rich Tradition – Deb Goodrich Bisel

Hear stories on the rich tradition of Kansas music from the author of an Arcadia book entitled *Kansas Music: Stories of a Rich Tradition*.

1:30 pm—Exploration Place

Heroes on the Radio

Become a character you love as you pretend to be one of them on the radio. Learn about some of the classic serials you may have heard when you were a child.

August 30

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

The Beals Healthy Streams Initiative

Nature Conservancy freshwater specialist Heidi Mehl will discuss the new Beals Healthy Streams Initiative, which seeks to protect and preserve the water quality and security for Kansas communities, industry, and agriculture.

1:30 pm—Old Cowtown Museum

Heading West: Counting the Costs of the Oregon Trail

When we see the iconic picture of a covered wagon our modern eyes may miss the momentous challenge the travelers faced. We will explore the challenges of preparation and travel that the over land journey required.