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Family-friendly Entertainment on the Library Lawn in June!

This June, after nearly ten years of providing comic entertainment for the Sounds & Sights Festival, the Chelsea District Library (CDL) is shaking things up with an exciting new lineup of family-friendly performers. Formerly called Comedy Showcase and now renamed Korner Stage, this new Sounds & Sights on Thursday Nights series features a variety of different entertainers and will take place each Thursday night in June (6/7, 6/14, 6/21, and 6/28) from 6:30-8pm at Katie's Korner on the library lawn.

On June 7, Korner Stage will kick off with a throwback to summers past as Chelsea favorite and long-standing Comedy Showcase comedian Kevin Kramis takes the stage. Kramis is a veteran stand-up comedian, having opened for Tim Allen, Jeff Foxworthy, and many others. Join us for a night of cheers and laughs with Kramis' unique stage presence and off-beat improvisations. The show will also feature comedian Tim Steele as Master of Ceremonies, and Comedy Juggler Tim Rowlands as a feature act.

Magic is in the air on June 14 as Michigan magicians Jeff Wawrzasek and Ming the Magnificent light up the stage. Jeff has been entertaining audiences with his magical illusions for over 50 years and will be performing both stand-up magic on the stage, and close-up magic as he walks among the crowd. His performance is sure to delight all ages, as will magician Ming the Magnificent's sleight-of-hand. Since the age of 12, Ming's has awed crowds with his magic, inspired by his Chinese heritage. Ming and his wife Barbara will close the night with a unique act blending magic, music, dance, and illusion. Together these magicians will bring *A Touch of Magic* right here to downtown Chelsea.

Comedy comes in many forms, and on June 21 CDL welcomes ComedySportz, an improvisational comedy group that has been entertaining crowds of all kinds with their clean, family-oriented performances since 1984. ComedySportz takes improv comedy (unplanned, humorous sets and scenes) and turns it into a sport! Two improv teams will compete for laughs and points, while a referee monitors and calls out fouls. The audience can enjoy the show, suggest improv scenes, and then vote for the winning team!

The final Korner Stage performance will take place on June 28 and feature the Aviary Aerial and Circus Arts. The Aviary is an Ann Arbor-based aerial arts training studio and performance troupe. Aviary performers will be suspended midair for a beautiful, colorful performance consisting of dreamy dance-like routines and dynamic acrobatics on the aerial silks, trapeze, rope, and lyra. The performance will be in two parts, with a presentation on aerial arts by a between each set. This thrilling event will make anyone want to run away with the circus!

For more information about the Korner Stage visit chelseadistrictlibrary.org/korner-stage or call (734) 475-8732, ext 219. In the event of rain, performances will be relocated indoors. Korner Stage is sponsored by the Friends of Chelsea District Library.

About Us: Chelsea District Library is a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to provide equal access to quality resources that serve the lifelong cultural, educational and informational needs and interests of all people. The Library currently serves 15,100 residents in the Chelsea district, which includes the City of Chelsea and the Dexter, Lima, Lyndon, and Sylvan townships. Approximately 16,000 individuals visit the library each month. For more information visit chelseadistrictlibrary.org.