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Brooks College Advising Center November 2025 Newsletter

“But there is always a November space after the leaves have fallen when she felt it was almost indecent to intrude on the woods...for their glory terrestrial had departed and their glory celestial of spirit and purity and whiteness had not yet come upon them.”

— L.M. Montgomery, *Anne of Windy Poplars*

November Advising Update

How did those midterms go?

The deadline to drop a class with a W is November 7. If you are not sure about whether you should drop a class, meet with an advisor to talk through the pros and cons!

Other great reasons to meet with an advisor:

Find out about internships available through Semester in Detroit and Summer in West Michigan

Change up the classes in your winter semester schedule

Consider adding a minor, certificate, or badge to strengthen your job market credentials

Explore study abroad opportunities

Brooks Advising is offering virtual and in-person scheduled appointments: we can connect with you via email, phone, and Zoom or we can meet in person in our offices in Lake Michigan Hall 260. You can call 616-331-8200 to schedule an appointment, or easily see the next available appointment on [Navigate](#).

Finish the semester strong!

Make an appointment or go to drop-in hours to meet with a Success Coach! Success Coaches help with time management, study skills, motivation and procrastination, and setting goals: <https://www.gvsu.edu/sasc/sasc-events-schedule-142.htm>

Work with a tutor one on one or in a group setting: <https://www.gvsu.edu/tutoring/>

Don't forget to tap into all the great resources at The Knowledge Market, located in the library. You can drop in or make an appointment with a consultant from the Writing Center, the Speech Lab, The Library Research Center, and the Digital Creator Lab: <https://www.gvsu.edu/library/km/>

Don't study hungry!

Need support with basic needs like groceries, housing, or a laptop? GV has resources to help: <https://www.gvsu.edu/basic/on-campus-resources-17.htm>

New to GVSU?

If you are new to GVSU as a first-year student or a transfer student, you will need to meet with a professional advisor at least once this year. You can watch for an email invitation to schedule an appointment or schedule yourself in [Navigate](#). Required advising sessions will include conversation about your classes, major and minor selection, campus life, and resources to ensure you are successful on campus and ready to register for the next academic year.

We are here to support you! Schedule your appointment today!

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Important [Dates!](#)

*Withdraw with a "W" Grade Deadline - November 7 by 5:00 pm

Thanksgiving Recess - November 26-30

*The posted deadlines apply to courses that meet the entire semester/session. Classes that meet for only part of the session/semester have different deadlines. Those deadlines can be found by by contacting the Registrar's Office at (616) 331-3327 or email regdept@gvsu.edu.



GVSU Arts Celebration: Dayton Contemporary Dance Company (INT 100/201 Approved)

Monday, November 3, 2025
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Allendale Campus

Welcome to Dayton Contemporary Dance Company (DCDC), where powerful storytelling meets bold, expressive movement. Founded in 1968, DCDC is celebrated for its deep roots in African American dance traditions and its compelling blend of modern, contemporary, ballet, jazz, and global movement styles. Our performances are known for their athleticism, grace, and emotional depth—each one inviting audiences on a journey that bridges history, culture, and innovation. We're proud to bring you dance that reflects the richness of our communities and the diversity of the human experience.

At the heart of DCDC's mission is a commitment to inspire and cultivate the next generation of dance artists. Through educational programs, residencies, and

collaborative projects, we strive to provide young dancers with opportunities to grow artistically and professionally. This performance is a proud example of that commitment, featuring the talented dance students of Grand Valley State University. Their inclusion in this production reflects our belief in the power of collaboration and shared creative experience. Together, we continue to expand the reach of dance and celebrate its ability to connect, uplift, and transform.

[Learn more about these artists.](#)

Dayton Contemporary Dance Company is supported in part by Culture Works, Montgomery County Arts and Cultural District, Ohio Arts Council, the Mellon Foundation, Miriam Rosenthal Foundation, Miriam Rosenthal Foundation for the Arts, The Virginia W. Kettering Foundation, and the Dayton Foundation.



Location Information

Haas Center for Performing Arts – Louis Armstrong Theatre

Contact Information

clas@gvsu.edu

Hosting Department, Organization, or Business
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences





FALL OUTING TO THE ZOO WITH THE SOCIAL JUSTICE CENTERS

November 5, 2025

**Meet in OMA (I240 KC) at 11:30AM
for pizza before heading to the zoo**

**More details and to register visit
gvsu.edu/sjc/fallouting or
scan the QR**



Social Justice Centers Fall Outing 2025

Wednesday, November 5, 2025
11:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Allendale Campus

Enjoy a fun fall outing to John Ball Zoo on Wednesday, November 5 from 11:30am-3:30pm.

Transportation via Laker Line to John Ball Zoo

[RSVP for this event](#)

Location Information

Starting in OMA, 1240 KC, at 11:30am then traveling to John Ball Zoo via the Laker Line bus.

Contact Information

Office of Multicultural Affairs at 616-331-2177 or oma@gvsu.edu



Fellowships Information Session: Planning to apply for the Gilman? Exploring Fulbright? Interested in the NSF Goldwater for students planning on graduate research in STEM? Curious about fellowship opportunities generally?

Thursday, November 6, 2025

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Online

Welcome! Join us to explore the world of nationally competitive fellowships.

Planning to apply for the Gilman to help defray the cost of GVSU undergraduate study abroad? Exploring Fulbright or another English Teaching Assistantship opportunity in Japan, Spain, South Korea or elsewhere? Intrigued by Fulbright US Student awards to fund a one-year master's degree in another country? Interested in the NSF Goldwater (for undergraduates planning on graduate research in STEM)? Curious about fellowship opportunities generally? Use this zoom link to chat with a GV Fellowships advisor. Bring your questions and your curiosity! There are many fellowship opportunities to explore!

Fellowship opportunities fall under three major headings:

Study Abroad: Undergraduate support for study abroad programs administered by Grand Valley.

Undergraduate Opportunities: Summer seminars and internships in the U.S. and beyond, immersive, fully-funded intensive language study not connected with Grand Valley (the Critical Languages Scholarship program), research at major federal labs in the U.S., and international research (DAAD-RISE for STEM research in Germany).

Graduate/Post Commencement Opportunities: Support for graduate school in specific countries, at specific universities or in particular fields, prestigious internships in peace and security, nonprofit administration, public policy, urban planning, social justice, human rights, and more, and high-impact gap-year experiences like Peace Corps, City Year, JET (teaching English in Japan), NALCAP (teaching English in Spain), TAPIF (teaching English in France), and the Fulbright U.S. Student ETA and S/R programs.

For *much* more information, visit the [GVSU Fellowships website](#). We are delighted to share these high-impact opportunities with GV students and alumni!

[Click here for additional information](#)

[RSVP for this event](#)

This event is recurring on [Thursday, October 9, 2025](#), [Friday, October 24, 2025](#), [Thursday, November 20, 2025](#) and [Thursday, December 4, 2025](#).

Contact Information

For more information about fellowships or to set up an individual appointment, email fellowships@gvsu.edu.



The Wheelhouse Talks featuring Daniel Williams (INT 100/201 Approved)

Friday, November 7, 2025

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Robert C. Pew Grand Rapids Campus

Daniel Williams joins us to share lessons learned over 20 years of leadership experience working in education, philanthropy, community engagement, and leading institutions such as the Steelcase Foundation, WMCAT, and Grand Rapids University Prep Academy.

This event is a partnership with GVSU's Frederik Meijer Honors College as a part of their Frederik Meijer Lecture Series, which was established to provide local and national presentations that focus on issues of leadership, innovation, and entrepreneurship from the perspective of students, faculty members, and participants in business throughout the region.

This event includes a meal and features a short lecture by Daniel, followed by opportunities to interact with the content and one another.

Event Schedule:

4:50 - Registration & Buffet Opens

5:20 - Keynote

5:45 - Moderated Q&A

6:05 - Table Discussion

6:25 - Audience Q&A

7:00 - Event End

About Daniel Williams

Daniel Williams, EdD, is the fifth Meijer Endowed Chair in Entrepreneurship and Innovation for the GVSU Frederik Meijer Honors College and has over 20 years of leadership experience working to advance justice through education, philanthropy, community engagement, and equity-centered design thinking. Through his work as President + CEO of the Steelcase Foundation, Daniel has led efforts to drive and support large-scale social change. Prior to this, Daniel worked towards equity and innovation in his roles as President + CEO of the West Michigan Center for Arts and Technology and co-founder + principal of Grand Rapids University Prep Academy.

Daniel has been named a Crain's GR 200 Most influential Leader, is a three time 40 under 40 recipient, and was named the Grand Rapids Business Journal's 40 under 40 Distinguished Alumni. Daniel earned his Doctorate in Interdisciplinary Leadership from Creighton University, an MEd in Educational Leadership from Eastern Michigan University, and a BA from University of Iowa.

[RSVP for this event](#)

Location Information

Charles W. Loosemore Forum, Seidman Center

Contact Information

hc@gvsu.edu



Teach-In (INT 100/201 Approved)

Wednesday, November 12, 2025

9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Online, Robert C. Pew Grand Rapids Campus

[GVSU's Teach-In](#) is mutual education for the entire campus community, intended to address topics related to inequality and systems of oppression, as well as social justice and liberation. The broad learning objectives of *Teach-In: Power, Privilege, and Critical Conversations* are to raise awareness, inform, create dialogue, and motivate action. Collaboratively offered sessions about the various ways that race, class, gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, *etc.* impact lived experience occur throughout the day on the regular class schedule; many sessions include an intersectional framework and all involve educational frameworks for opening dialogues, workshops, and engaged pedagogies.

Location Information

L. William Seidman Center at Pew Campus

50 Front Ave SW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Contact Information

teachin@gvsu.edu

Global Laker

STORY SLAM

GVSU STORIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad



**Wednesday,
November 12th
12 - 1:30 PM
Library Multipurpose
Room**



**Global Laker Story Slam INT 100/201
APPROVED**

Wednesday, November 12, 2025
12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Allendale Campus

GVSU students & alumni who studied abroad or are international will be sharing their stories from around the globe!

Are YOU a GVSU student or alumni who participated in a study abroad? Are you a current international student or alumni? **To tell a story, sign up [HERE!](#)**

Not interested in telling a story? Attend and listen to stories from our Global Lakers! **RSVP Below!**

***** FREE FOOD *****

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[Click here for additional information](#)

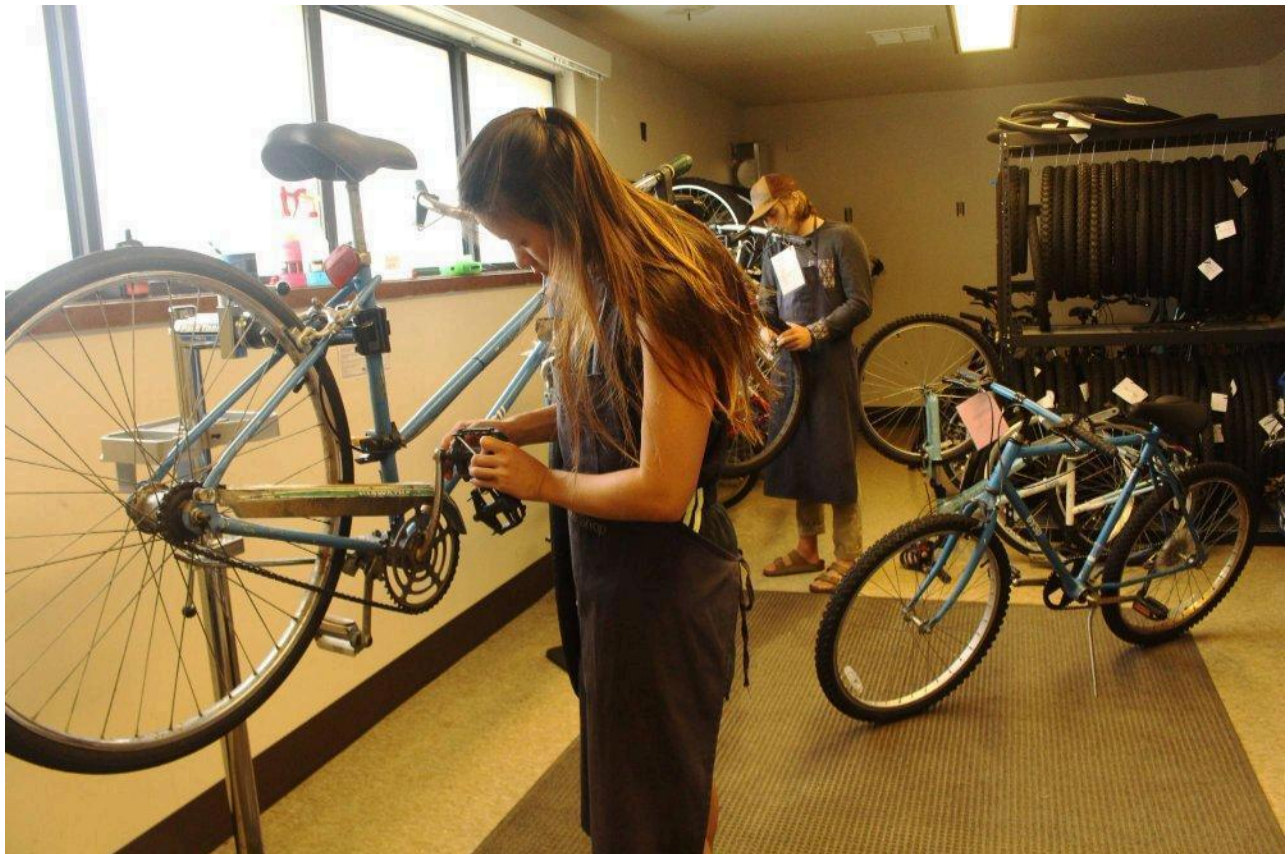
[RSVP for this event](#)

Location Information

Mary Idema Pew Multipurpose Room on Atrium Level

Contact Information

Contact studyabroad@gvsu.edu with any questions!



Bike Shop Breakdown

Friday, November 14, 2025

1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Allendale Campus

Every Friday, release some stress by helping the bike shop breakdown and recycle the inventory of junk bikes. This volunteer opportunity is also a great introduction to basic bike maintenance; learning how to fix it by learning how to take it apart. No experience necessary. Tools provided. Being a volunteer experience, feel free to arrive when your schedule allows and stay as long as you like. RSVP is encouraged but not required. It simply allows us to send pertinent updates.

[RSVP for this event](#)

This event is recurring on [Friday, November 21, 2025](#) and [Friday, December 5, 2025](#).

Location Information

Ravines Center

Bike Maintenance Area

Contact Information

Outdoor Adventures

oac@gvsu.edu



Fall 2025
**Sustainability
Showcase**
gvsu.edu/ens/showcase

Online: Nov. 17 - 22
In person: November 21
Kirkhof 2250
ens@gvsu.edu

ENS Fall 2025 Sustainability Showcase (Nov 17 - Nov 22)

Monday, November 17, 2025
All day
Allendale Campus

You're invited to learn about the research projects, innovative designs, and assessments that students in the Environmental and Sustainability Studies (ENS) Program have been working on this semester.

Starting November 17th, check out projects online anytime throughout the week and share your feedback. Then, join us on Friday, November 21st for in-person

presentations and networking with community partners in Kirkhof Center's Grand River Room 2250

(Allendale Campus). Refreshments provided!

**VIEW PRESENTATIONS ONLINE:
November 17 - 22**

IN-PERSON EVENT:
Friday, November 21, 10am - 1:30pm
Kirkhof Center, Grand River Room (2250)
Allendale Campus

Program TBA

This event is recurring on [Tuesday, November 18, 2025](#), [Wednesday, November 19, 2025](#), [Thursday, November 20, 2025](#), [Friday, November 21, 2025](#) and [Saturday, November 22, 2025](#).

Location Information

All Week:
ONLINE Presentations

Friday, November 21:
IN PERSON Presentations
10:00am - 1:30pm
Kirkhof Center, Grand River Room
Allendale Campus

Contact Information

Environmental and Sustainability Studies Program
Email: ens@gvsu.edu
Phone: 616-331-8016

MISSION, TRIBE —and— GRACE

how veterans can act to lead change



Jill Hinton Wolfe

Open Minds Book Club: Mission, Tribe, and Grace

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Robert C. Pew Grand Rapids Campus

For the November 2025 session of Open Minds, we will be reading and discussing [Mission, Tribe & Grace: How Veterans Can Lead Change, Find Their Tribe, and Build a Meaningful Life](#) by Jill Hinton Wolfe. **We are excited to share that Jill will be joining us for this meeting!**

"When you take off the uniform, you don't stop being a leader. But navigating life after military service can feel like stepping into uncharted territory—searching for purpose, connection, and a new way to serve. Mission, Tribe & Grace is a powerful guide for those who want to take the skills they've honed in service and apply them to make a real impact in their communities and beyond."

The discussion for this book will be held on Wednesday, November 19, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm in the Richard M. DeVos Center's Meijer Regency Room located on the GVSU City Campus.

Free copies of the book will be mailed to GVSU students who register by midnight on **October 23rd**.

[See the full Open Minds Book Club schedule here!](#)

[Click here for additional information](#)

[RSVP for this event](#)

Location Information

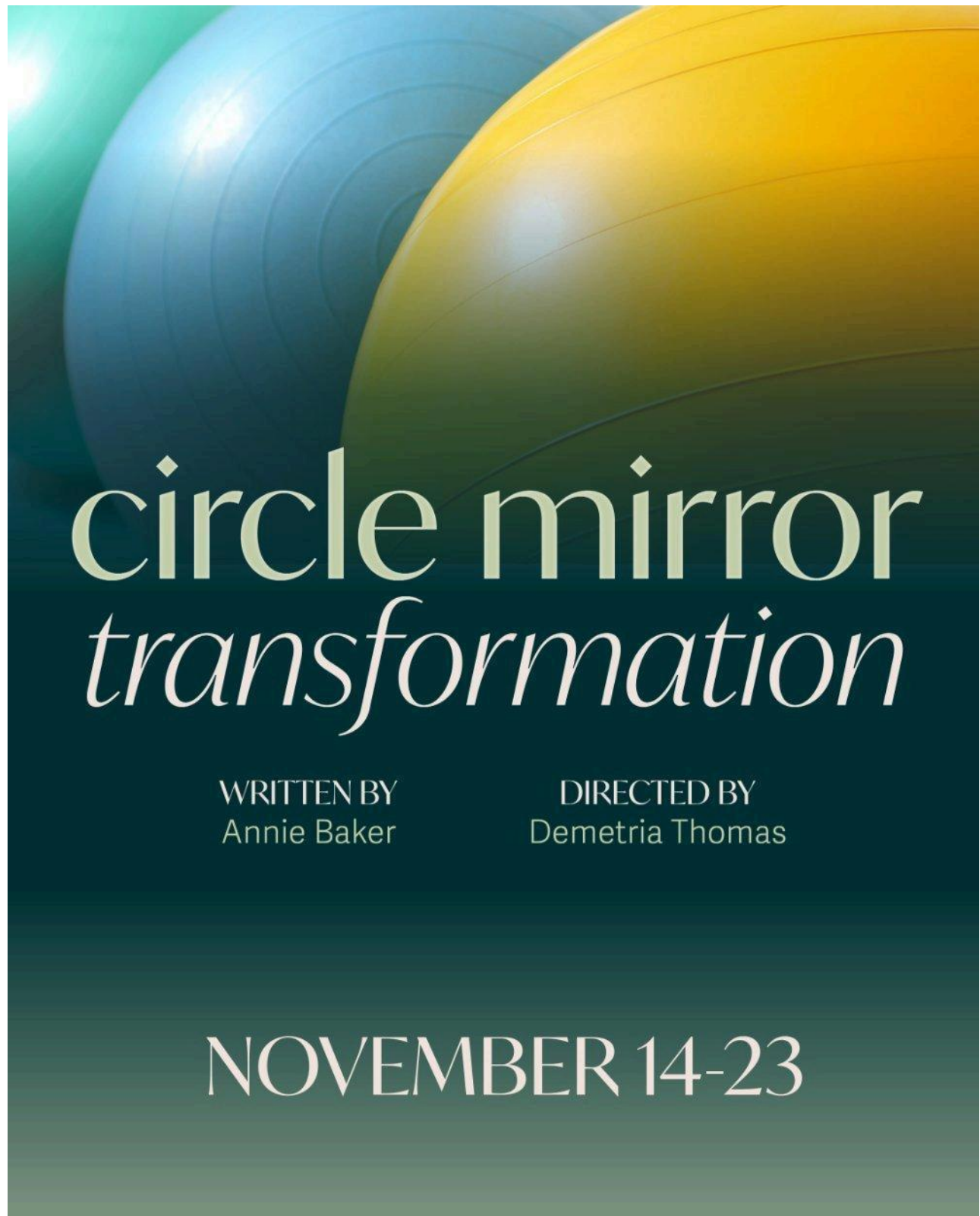
Meijer Regency Room

Richard M. DeVos Center

**401 West Fulton Street
Grand Rapids, MI
49504-6431**

Contact Information

If you have any questions, please email [Kahler Sweeney](#).



**Theatre at Grand Valley presents CIRCLE
MIRROR TRANSFORMATION**

Thursday, November 20, 2025
7:30 p.m.
Allendale Campus

Circle Mirror Transformation

by Annie Baker

Directed by Demetria Thomas

November 14-23

Linn Maxwell Keller Black Box Theatre

Circle Mirror Transformation takes place in a small-town Vermont community center, where five people sign up for an acting class. Through a series of strange (and sometimes funny) theater games, they slowly start to open up to one another. With simple, honest dialogue and a focus on everyday moments, this play offers a touching and often humorous look at how people connect, grow, and change when they least expect it.

Tickets go on sale September 1, 2025 at <https://www.etix.com/ticket/e/1053584/circle-mirror-transformation-allendale-linn-maxwell-keller-theatre-at-grand-valley-state-university>

[Click here for additional information](#)

This event is recurring on [Friday, November 14, 2025](#), [Saturday, November 15, 2025](#), [Friday, November 21, 2025](#) and [Saturday, November 22, 2025](#).

Location Information

Linn Maxwell Keller Black Box Theatre

Contact Information

Department of Music, Theatre, and Dance
(616) 331-3484



POP UP MARKET

Nov. 19 & 20 **11am-4pm**

Kirkhof Lobby

Join us at the Pop-Up Market to get some of your holiday shopping completed!

Don't miss out on helping ring in the holiday season with your fellow Lakerpreneurs!

LAKER OUTLET

SEIDMAN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

Office: Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation (SCB 1127)
Phone: (616)331-7582 | Email: cei@gvsu.edu

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Laker Outlet Pop-Up Shop

Thursday, November 20, 2025
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Allendale Campus

Come support your fellow Lakers as they gain experience and confidence in selling their own products and developing their entrepreneurial skills!

Location Information

Located in the Kirkhof Center Lobby

Contact Information

Email: cei@gvsu.edu

Hosting Department, Organization, or Business
Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation (CEI)



Your Health Lecture Series | Grand Rapids Street Medicine

Thursday, November 20, 2025
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Health Campus

As part of the [Your Health Lecture Series](#), join Grand Rapids Street Medicine's Beth Makowski, DO, and medical students Isabella Purosky, and Emma Durocher for a conversation about the team's work in the community.

You'll learn:

Key facts and insights about the unsheltered community

Health impacts for those experiencing homelessness

How Grand Rapids Street Medicine collaborates with citywide organizations, including Grand Valley State University and Cornerstone University

[Click here for additional information](#)

[RSVP for this event](#)

Location Information

Grand Valley State University
DeVos Center for Interprofessional Health, Room 102
333 Michigan Street NE, Grand Rapids

This lecture will be offered both virtually and in-person.

[Download parking map for the Health Campus](#)

Contact Information

Questions? Contact Alexis Schewe (scheweal@gvsu.edu)



Toast to the Class of 2025

Thursday, December 4, 2025

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Robert C. Pew Grand Rapids Campus

December 2025 graduates, you're invited to join the GVSU Alumni Relations office and President Mantella to celebrate your graduation and what it means to be a Laker for a Lifetime. Enjoy dessert, sparkling punch, and a glass of champagne, or a non-alcoholic variety. Take home your commemorative Laker for a Lifetime champagne flute.

A valid state ID is required

[Click here for additional information](#)

[RSVP for this event](#)

Location Information

Location: L.V. Eberhard Center, Grand Rapids Pew Campus

Attire: Business Casual

Contact Information

GVSU Alumni Relations

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