



In the Community, September 13, 2023

NOTE: The next Newsletter will be published September 27, 2023.

[A Listing of Diversity and Multicultural Events](#)

From the Alliance for Cultural and Ethnic Harmony:
"Diversity, Unity, and Justice Are at the Heart of ACEH"

ACEH was founded in Holland in 1999 and is committed to justice, equal opportunity, cross-cultural understanding, and appreciation for diversity. Learn more at the ACEH website www.harmonyalliance.org On Facebook, at ACEH – Alliance for Cultural and Ethnic Harmony.

Renew Your Membership or Become a First-Time Member

Dues are \$25 per year (\$40 for 2 years) for an individual; \$35 per year (\$55 for two years) for a couple or family; \$45 for a nonprofit group, and \$80 for a business.

---You can renew or join at the ACEH website www.harmonyalliance.org;

---or you can send a check to ACEH, c/o Treasurer, P. O. Box 3007, Holland, MI 49422;

---or you can join/renew at any ACEH program or social event.

(ACEH is a 501c(3) organization; donations may qualify for a tax deduction.)

Will you renew your ACEH membership or become a first-time member? We need your support to publish "In the Community," to expand the scope of our scholarship program, and to continue our advocacy and outreach in the greater Holland community.

Please choose one of the options listed above to renew or join.

To make a financial contribution, please go to the website www.harmonyalliance.org and click on the Donate button at the top of the page

Thank you to renewing members Chet and Chris Pawlak.

And our gratitude to recent contributors to the ACEH Scholarship Fund, which makes awards to local students -- the first in their families to attend college.

Events

Now through Oct 23: At the Holland Museum: "Black Eden: Idlewild Past, Present, and Future."

See below, under Exhibits, for more information. Supported in part by an award from the Michigan Arts & Culture Council and the National Endowment for the Arts, and media sponsors WGVI/PBS TV and NPR Radio. At the museum, 31 West 10th St., Holland.

Thurs, Sept 14, 7 pm to 9:30 pm: "The Music and Performers of Idlewild." Music and performers of Idlewild, with Lazara Vega of Blue Lake Public Radio. Free adult program. Registration encouraged:

[please use this link](#). At Holland Museum Spark!Lab, 31 West 10th St., Holland.

Thurs, Sept 14-Sun, Sept 17: Michigan Irish Music Festival. Live entertainment under six large covered stages, with bands, fiddlers, solo artists, storytellers, and Irish dancers. [Click here for ticket and schedule info](#). At Heritage Landing, Shoreline Dr. and 7th St, Muskegon.

Fri, Sept 15, 4 to 10:30 pm; Sat, Sept 16, noon to 10:30 pm: Grand Rapids African American Arts & Music Festival, featuring art, music, food, vendors, dance, and fashion. Email: graaamf@gmail.com. At Rosa Parks Circle, 135 Monroe Center St, NW, Grand Rapids.

Sat, Sept 16, noon to 9 pm: Hispanic Heritage Fiesta. Music, performances, activities, food "celebrating Latin American cultures in all their variety and paying tribute to the generations of Hispanic Americans who have influenced and enriched our nation and society, especially the Tri-Cities Area." See tcpuentes.org, or the Fiesta's Facebook page, [or click here](#). At Waterfront Stadium, One North Harbor Dr., Grand Haven.

Mon, Sept 18, 6:30 pm to 8 pm: League of Women Voters Forum for Holland Mayoral Candidates. The moderator will ask questions of the candidates; the public is encouraged to submit written questions online [by clicking HERE](#) or in person until the forum starts. The forum will be livestreamed on the City of Holland channel: <https://www.cityofholland.com/675/Government-Channel> At Holland City Hall Council Chambers, 270 South River, Holland.

Wed, Sept 20, 4 pm to 5 pm: The Michigan Consul for Mexico, Roberto Nicolas Vazquez, will speak about "The State of Mexico and Southwest Michigan Economic Ties: Celebration and Opportunities." Reception follows. Hosted by Holland's International Relations Commission. At Holland City Hall Council Chambers, 270 South River, Holland.

Thurs, Sept 21, 7 pm: "Idlewild: A Refuge in the Storm." Hope College professor of history Fred L. Johnson explores how Idlewild became a resort town for the Black community seeking respite and leisure. Free adult Cultural Lens program. Registration encouraged: [please use this link](#). At Holland Museum Spark!Lab, 31 West 10th St., Holland.

NOTE: This event will not take place on Sept. 23; it may be rescheduled later this fall. Sat, Sept 23: A Day in Idlewild. A chartered bus trip to Idlewild, featuring culture, music, and nature and led by Chris CJ Kingdom Grier, Idlewild native and Yates Township historian and archivist.

Sat, Sept 23, 17:30 pm (doors open at 7 pm). South Haven Theatre Series: "Voyageurs: Indigenous Peoples, The Fur Trade and Early Chikagou." Solo performance by historical interpreter Jon F. Rice, professional historian, researcher, and tri-racial interpreter. Offered on donations-only basis to the community. At Listiak Auditorium, South Haven High School, 600 Elkenburg St., South Haven.

Mon, Sept 25, 6:30 pm to 8 pm: League of Women Voters Forum for Holland City Council Candidates. Candidates for Council seats to represent Ward 4, Ward 6, and At-Large have been invited. A moderator will ask questions of the candidates; the public is encouraged to submit questions online using [this link](#) or in person until the forum opens. The forum will be livestreamed on the City of Holland channel: <https://www.cityofholland.com/675/Government-Channel> At Holland City Hall Council Chambers, 270 South River, Holland.

Thurs, Sept 28, 7 pm: "Playgrounds for the Frustrated, Fatigued, and Infuriated." Hope College professor of history Fred L. Johnson "concludes his discussion of the system of African American resorts across the U.S. in the early 20th century." A free adult Cultural Lens program. At Holland Museum, 31 West 10th St., Holland.

Sat, Sept 30, 2 pm to 7 pm: 2023 International Festival of Holland. Free, family-friendly event featuring international music and dance (Cuban, Japanese, African, North American, and Mexican), a Festival Mercado (marketplace of international foods, jewelry, clothing, housewares, and folk art), Children's Fiesta (global art stations, passport station, treasure dig, and special children's performances), World Arena Soccer Jamboree for middle-school athletes born in 2010-12; scrimmages at Kollen Park on the morning of the 30th), and a Parade of Flags. **ACEH** will have an information and children's activity table. At Holland Civic Center Place, 8th Street at Pine Ave, Holland. [Here is the link for details, sign-ups, and other info.](#)

Community Opportunities

Welcoming Ottawa! is part of Welcoming America, a movement of inclusive communities becoming more prosperous by ensuring everyone belongs, including immigrants, refugees, and New Americans. Welcoming Ottawa! seeks the ideas and experiences of New Americans in Ottawa County: If you, or someone you know, identifies as an immigrant or refugee, Welcoming Ottawa! would like to hear from you (link is below; several languages available). The survey is voluntary; answers are anonymous and will not be connected to your name or identity (you must be at least 18 years old). Available through the end of September. [Click HERE to open the survey.](#)

Exhibits

Now until Mon, Oct 23: "Black Eden: Idlewild Past, Present, and Future." Exhibit showcases the history of the Michigan town of Idlewild "from its vibrant eras of bustling tourism to its remarkable journey of revival and rejuvenation. Founded in 1912 as a haven for African Americans, Idlewild provided respite, leisure, recreation, and community that drew in middle-class professionals from the Midwest for several decades." Co-curated with DEI consultant Chris (C. J.) Kingdom Grier, who was born and raised in

Idlewild and is the current Yates Township/Idlewild historian and archivist. At Holland Museum, 31 West 10th St., Holland.

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Links to Anti-Racism, Race & Ethnicity Resources

Workers like it when their employers talk about diversity and inclusion. [Click here for link to the article.](#)

"Bad Indians: A Tribal Memoir." [Here is the link.](#)

10 things black people wish white people would stop doing. [Here is the link.](#)

10 more things black people wish white people would stop doing. [Click here for the link.](#)

Why we should end Black History Month. [Here's the link.](#)

5 ways to avoid an awkward conversation about racism. [Here's the link.](#)

Did I teach critical race theory? [Click here for link.](#)

4 ways a white person can stand up to racism. [Click here.](#)

Why aren't white parents talking to their children about racism? [Click here.](#)

5 films about stories of inclusion: [Here's the link.](#)

Indigenous proverbs from around the world: [Click here.](#)

7 mistakes you shouldn't make if you are white and non-racist: [Here's the link.](#)

Common questions you should never ask about Asians: [Click here.](#)

The lasting impact of mispronouncing students' names: [Here's the link.](#)

How to be an active bystander when you see casual racism. [Click here for the link.](#)

The Stories for All Project: diverse books and resources for kids and teens. [Here's the link.](#)

What teenagers talk about when they talk about race. [Here's the link.](#)

A high schooler says about CRT: "Adults need to chill out." [Here's the link.](#)

6 ways a Black person can tell a white person isn't racist [Here's the link](#)

Seven personality traits of my favorite White allies. [Here's the link.](#)

Michigan State Police study finds racial disparities in traffic stops. [Here's the link.](#)

Why black people never throw away their receipts: [Click here for the link.](#)

Let's talk about Critical Race Theory: [Here's the link.](#)

White privilege and "I don't see color." [Here's the link](#)

7 things you should never say to a Native American. [Here's the link.](#)

The Jim Crow Museum of Racist Memorabilia: Take a virtual tour of this outstanding museum, located in Big Rapids, MI at Ferris State University. It holds the largest public collection of artifacts "spanning the segregation era, from Reconstruction through the civil rights movement." www.ferris.edu/jimcrow (The museum is planning an \$18.5 million expansion, with a new exhibition space to be completed in 2024.)

Jobs

West Michigan Works! <https://www.westmiworks.org/>

Pure Michigan Talent Connect: <https://www.mitalent.org/find-a-job>

Holland Sentinel employment ads: www.hollandsentinel.jobs

LG Energy Solutions: <https://lgenergymi.com/what-we-do/> Link includes a chat feature.

Workforce Employment Specialists: Virtual hiring events: www.teamworkforce.com or (616) 396-3700.

LIFELine Ministries: Information on available restaurant, factory, sales, and office jobs in West Michigan. Contact Pastor Willie J. Watt Jr. at williewatt@gmail.com or (616) 335-061

70x7 Life Recovery: Coaching, mentoring, and job placement for persons with past criminal and addiction behaviors. "Invest a week in your life, gain freedom with 70x7 Life Recovery. We can help. Call (616) 796-0685."

Arbor Circle: <https://arborcircle.org/employment/>

Boys and Girls Club of Greater Holland: <https://bgch.org/> Registrar/Youth Support, part-time M-F. Elementary program assistant, part-time.

Children's Advocacy Center: Executive director. Crisis counselor, full-time (must have LMSW or LLMSW or equivalent). Internships.. [Click here for link to CAC openings.](#)

Community Action House: <http://www.communityactionhouse.com/jobs> Grants and partnerships manager. Healthy at Home coordinator, part-time, hourly. Vice president, programs. Homeless outreach specialist, AmeriCorps. Temporary Lakeshore food rescue associate, part-time.

Community Foundation of the Holland/Zeeland Area:

Disability Network/Lakeshore: Benefits and options counselor. [lick here for info and application.](#)

ESCAPE Ministries: [Click here for application information.](#)

Evergreen Commons: [Use this link and click on Careers](#)

Evoqua: www.evoqua.com/careers Water purification company in Holland hiring fabricators, machine builders and operators, assemblers, buyers, demand planners, electrical builders, welders, and more. Technical writer.

Global Battery Solutions: Entry-level position, supporting office and shipping/receiving. Send email to khunter@globalbatterysolutions.com

Global Concepts Enterprise, Inc: www.globalconcepts.com

Good Samaritan Ministries: <https://goodsamottawa.org/careers/> Eviction prevention stability coach. Housing case manager. Housing case management lead. <https://www.indeed.com/cmp/Good-Samaritan/jobs?q=&l=#cmp-skip-header-desktop>: Executive director.

Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce: <https://www.grandrapids.org/your-chamber/join-our-team/>

Grand Rapids Downtown Market: <http://downtownmarketgr.com/careers> .Festival and events manager.

City of Grand Rapids: <https://www.grandrapidsmi.gov/Jobs>

Grand Valley State University: <https://www.gvsu.edu/jobs.htm> Office coordinator, Seidman Dean's office, 30 hrs/wk. Office assistant-philanthropy. Residential life assistant. Executive assistant. KCON accounting assistant. Administrative assistant to Dean, Kirkhof College of Nursing.

Haworth: <https://www.haworth.com/na/en/careers.html>

Herman Miller: www.hermanmiller.com/jobs

Herrick District Library: <https://herrickdl.org/content/jobs-hdl>

Hispanic Center of Western Michigan: <https://hispanic-center.org/>

Holland Charter Township: www.hct.holland.mi.us

City of Holland: <https://mi-holland.civicplushrms.com/careers/Jobs.aspx> Downtown Development Coordinator. Permit technician. Police cadet, part-time. Lead basketball instructor, part-time. Police officer. Director of Community and Neighborhood Services. Part-paid firefighter. Youth dance instructor, part-time. Project engineer. Heavy equipment operator.. Video production intern, part-time. Little Dribblers basketball instructor. Holland Recreation intern. Administrative aide. General recreation aide, part-time. Project engineer. Customer service representative, part-time. Building inspector. Recreation operations assistant. General recreation aide. Mowing crew member.

Holland Hospital: www.hollandhospital.org Surgery scheduling coordinator, part-time, days. Receptionist, part-time, 2:30 pm to 9 pm (30.5 hours every 3 weeks). Patient care assistant, part-time, days. Diagnostic customer service representative, part-time, days. Medical secretary, part-time, afternoons/evenings.

Holland Museum: <https://hollandmuseum.org/employment-opportunities/staff-opportunities/> Exhibits coordinator, full time (proficiency in Spanish preferred).

Holland Public Schools: <https://hollandpublicschools.tedk12.com/hire/index.aspx>. Bilingual classroom aides.

Holland Township: www.hct.holland.mi.us

Hope College: <https://hope.edu/jobs/index.html> . Dean of Libraries. ExploreHope Academic Outreach program administrator. Dean of Arts and Humanities. Events and Conferences and Haworth Hotel setup technician. CASA/Step Up reading instructional specialist. Bookstore supply and departmental support buyer, part-time. Campus Safety, full-time dispatcher.

Inter Care Community Health Network: <https://intercare.org/careers/search-jobs/> Clinic nurse, full-time (OB/GYN). Physician. Interpreter (Spanish/English). WIC dietitian. Front office specialist, bilingual (Pullman). Care coordinator (Pullman)

Lakeshore Advantage: <https://www.lakeshoreadvantage.com/careers> Communications, marketing, and events specialist.

Lakeshore Habitat for Humanity: <https://www.lakeshorehabitat.org/join-our-team> Communications coordinator. Development coordinator.

Lakeshore Nonprofit Alliance: <http://lakeshorenonprofits.org/programs-and-services/nonprofit-job-postings>. Job openings at local nonprofits.

Latin Americans United for Progress (LAUP): Executive office coordinator. Program specialist, full-time. Holland Youth Program instructor, part-time.. Grand Haven Youth Program instructor, part-time. [Click on this Indeed.com link for information.](#)

Legal Aid of Western Michigan: <https://lawestmi.org/careers/> Staff attorney, eviction (St. Joseph). Expungement project attorney (Grand Rapids office). Director of finance (Grand Rapids). Staff attorney (Muskegon). Legal assistant (Holland).

Lighthouse Immigrant Advocates: <http://lia-michigan.org/get-involved/careers/> Administrative assistant.

Mediation Services: <https://mediationservices.works/career-openings/>

Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness: [Click here for info about these two positions:](#) Director of Growth & Development. Manager of Authentic Engagement.

Michigan Immigrant Rights Center (MIRC) <https://michiganimmigrant.org/employment-internships-and-volunteering>

MOKA Corporation: <https://www.moka.org/>

Momentum Center: <https://www.momentumcentergh.org/> Holland programming assistant, part-time (20-30 hrs/wk); bilingual Spanish-English preferred.

Ottawa Area Intermediate School District: <https://www.oaisd.org/>

Ottawa County: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/miottawa> Clerk/register administrative specialist. Case records technician. Project support specialist.

Out On The Lakeshore: <https://outonthelakeshore.org/get-involved/job-opportunities/>

Resilience: Advocates for Ending Violence <https://resiliencemi.org/job-opportunities/> Legal advocate. Shelter advocate, full-time.

Saugatuck Center for the Arts: <https://www.sc4a.org/>

The SOURCE: Ottawa County Bilingual Resource Navigator, full-time. [Click here for job description and application info.](#)

Spectrum Health: <https://www.spectrumhealth.org/career> Click on Careers and then COVID-19 Clinic Support

State of Michigan: <https://www.indeed.com/q-State-of-Michigan-l-Ottawa-County,-MI-jobs.html> Migrant program worker, Spanish-speaking, in Allegan County (seasonal).

West Michigan Hispanic Chamber of Commerce: <https://westmihcc.org/>

West Ottawa Public Schools: <https://www.westottawa.net/careers/>

WOOD-TV: www.woodtv.com/careers News producer. News editor, part-time. Studio technician, part-time.

Zeeland Public Schools. <https://www.zps.org/employment/>

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