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Texas Singer, Songwriter and Author, Mike Blakely at Kearney Public Library

Join us for a wonderful evening with Mike Blakely, Monday, October 21 at 7:00 p.m. at Kearney Public Library! As a singer/songwriter, he has released 13 albums, performed all over the U.S. and has made 16 tours to Europe. His songs have been recorded by Alan Jackson, Gary P. Nunn, Red Steagall, Johnny Rodriguez, Johnny Bush, Jon Chandler, Bill Barwick and others.

As an author, he has published 19 books with major New York City publishers. His novel, *A SINISTER SPLENDOR*, was released in February of 2019. It is a historical novel about the Mexican War. He is currently at work on Part Two.

His latest musical album, *THE OUTSIDE CIRCLE* (released June 2018), is up for Album of the Year through the Academy of Western Artists. The title cut, "The Outside Circle," (co-written with Damon Rogers) won a Spur Award for "Song of the Year" from Western Writers of America. Another of Blakely's songs from the same album, "The Ballad of Josiah Wilbarger," was a finalist. Separately, the album was nominated for four awards through the International Western Music Association.

This program is free and open to the public. The library is located at 2020 1st Avenue, Kearney, NE

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