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Contemporary Folk & Western Music at the Kearney Public Library

Two troubadours are riding into Kearney for a day of music and writing at the Kearney Public Library. Award-winning songwriters Kerry Grombacher and Aspen Black perform nationwide for arts councils, house concerts, festivals, museums, and libraries. They will lead a creative writing workshop, as well, and have worked with the Kearney Library's Writers Group since it was formed, seven years ago.

- *Memory to Memoir: Putting the Past on Paper* Writing Workshop on Thursday, February 24, 2022. Kerry Grombacher and Aspen Black will lead the Writers Group for a 12 o'clock noon workshop that will focus on turning everyday stories into memoir. Workshop fee is \$15 (lunch included). Pre-registration requested. www.kearneylib.org
- And that evening, at 7:00 p.m., they will perform a free concert, "Songs & Stories of the American West." This program is open to the public.

"It's an honor to be asked to return to the Kearney Public Library with our western ballads, and a treat for us to have another opportunity to sing for the great Kearney audience," said songwriter Kerry Grombacher recently. "And we're both looking forward to meeting with the Writers' Group again."

Aspen Black added, "We've had several workshops with the group, and they are always rewarding, both for the writers and for us, as facilitators."

Kerry Grombacher and Aspen Black, both successful solo artists, have worked together as a duo since 2014, performing nationwide for arts councils, house concerts, festivals, museums, and libraries. Their songs are influenced by the English ballad tradition, the string-band music of Aspen's Appalachian home, and the *corridos* of the desert Southwest, where Kerry has lived and worked. Kearney Public Library is located at 2020 1st Avenue, Kearney, NE

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