

At Your Leisure

SHOWTIME

Blithe Spirit hilarious comedy favorite by Noel Coward through Sunday, Feb. 25, at Meadow Brook Theatre on Oakland University campus near Rochester. Ticket information at box office, 377-3300.

Carnival New York Critics Circle Musical of the Year Award Winner with music and lyrics by Bob Merrill presented by Birmingham Village Players at playhouse in Birmingham. Performances Friday and Saturday, Feb. 9-10. Curtain time for all performances 9 p.m. Ticket information at 644-2075.

One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest presented by the Avon Players Friday-Sunday, Feb. 9-11 and 16-18, and Friday-Saturday, Feb. 23-24, in Avon Township. Performances begin at 8:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Sunday performances begin at 7:30 p.m. Tickets at 693-7410.

See How They Run English farce presented by the Family Players Friday-Saturday, Feb. 9-10 and 16-17, at 8 p.m. at Grove High School Little Theatre in Beverly Hills. Ticket information at 626-1693, 851-1597 or 682-2822.

Sweet Bird of Youth Tennessee Williams' famous drama presented by St. Dunstan's Guild at Cranbrook at 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 9-10, and 16-17, and Sunday Feb. 11, at 7:30 p.m., in Bloomfield Hills. Ticket information at 647-4928.

DINNER THEATRE

Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association Benefit combines evening of dining and musical theatre Thursday, Feb. 8. Dinner served at 6:30 p.m. (cash bar opens at 6 p.m.) at Machus Sly Fox in Birmingham. Followed by Birmingham Village Players production of musical "Carnival," with 8:30 p.m. curtain at playhouse in Birmingham. Dinner reservations by Monday, Feb. 5, further information at 644-0866.

The Owl and the Pussycat comedy by Bill Manoff, starring Jimmy Launce and Jaye Cooper, presented by Jimmy Launce Productions at Somerset Dinner Theatre in Somerset Mall, Troy. Performances Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays through February. Dinner at 7:30 and show at 8:45 p.m. Gourmet buffet by Alfred's restaurant. Reservations at 643-8965.

1 Do I Do! gourmet dinner theatre at Machus Red Fox in Bloomfield Township. Performances of musical presented by Theatre of the Arts on Wednesdays and Fridays, with dinner at 7 and show at 9 p.m. Reservations at 649-0903.

The Odd Couple Neil Simon's most enduring comedy hit at the Bofstorf Inn Coach House in Farmington Hills. Nancy Gurwin Production co-stars Edgar A. Guest III as Oscar Madison and Kent Martin as Felix Unger. Performances Wednesday and Sunday; Wednesday dinner at 7 p.m., show at 8:30 p.m.; Sunday dinner at 6 p.m., show at 7:30. Reservations at 474-4800.

CONCERTS

Cranbrook Music Guild presents the DeVos String Quartet, all principals of the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra, at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 6, in library of Cranbrook House in Bloomfield Hills. Tickets at the door. Shuttle buses convey passengers from Christ Church parking lot to door of Cranbrook House and return to lot. Further information at 646-3786.

Cynthia Ratin, prize-winning pianist in free public concert at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 7, in Varner Recital Hall on Oakland University campus in Rochester. Additional information at 377-4450.

Youri Egorov Russian pianist makes first Michigan appearance at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9, at Oakland University campus near Rochester. Ticket information at 377-2080.

Emotions in Motion presented by members of the Harbinger Dance Company and the Attic Theatre, offered by The Humanist Forum, at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11, at the Birmingham Temple in Farmington Hills. Tickets at the temple office.

Oakway Symphony performs at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11, in Southfield-Lathrup High School, with violinist Iz-



Sensational

Youri Egorov, Russian pianist, will make his Michigan debut in concert at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9, in Varner Hall on the Oakland University campus. Egorov, 24, made his American debut last January at Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall, where critics called him sensational. See Concerts listing for more on this and other area concerts.

do Saslav and cellist Paul Diblasi as soloists in Brahms' double concerto. Paul Diblasi is conductor and music director. Tickets at Hudson's (Northland, Westland and Oakland), Royal Music (Royal Oak) Madonna College and Hammel Music (Livonia) or at the door.

Maryland Ballet presented by Community Concert Association of Troy at 8:15 p.m. Monday, Feb. 12, at Troy Athens High School Auditorium. Doors open 7:30 p.m.; free lighted parking. Admission by season membership only. Membership information at 879-0758 or 641-8511.

CHILDREN'S CHOICE

Preschool Story Times at Bloomfield Township Public Library on Tuesday, Feb. 6, and Wednesday, Feb. 7, at Leslie Harcourt Green Room. Session

at 10:15 a.m. for children aged 4 and 5 and 11:15 a.m. session for 3 and 4-year-olds. Youth Room librarians lead these 30-minute programs. No registration necessary.

Something for the Kids on Saturday program features films "Green Eggs and Ham," "The Band Concert" and "Drummer Hoff" at 2-2:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, in second floor Jeanne Lloyd Room of Baldwin Public Library, Birmingham.

Pre-Registration for Mother-Tot Story Times at Bloomfield Township Public Library. Twenty to 30-minute sessions are for 2 and 3-year-olds accompanied by an escort, such as Mom, Grandma or a sister. Story-Times will be on four Thursdays in February at 10:15 and 11:15 a.m. Call Youth Room at 642-5800 if you wish to attend.

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"To Have or Have Not" starring Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall through Tuesday, Feb. 6, at Meadowbrook Village Mall in Avon Township. John Anderson plays theater organ before movie. Matinees Monday-Saturday 1:30 p.m. and Sunday, 2:30 p.m. Call 575-0011 for evening schedule or ticket information. Special show, with "Sweethearts" starring Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy on Friday-Sunday, Feb. 9-11.

Neon Luncheon Film Program presents tourist attractions in "Go to West Michigan" and "How to See Chicago" at noon-1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 7, in second floor Jeanne Lloyd Room of Baldwin Public Library, Birmingham. Bring brown bag lunches; coffee available.

Iphigenia film starring Irene Pappas, directed by Michael Cacoyannis, at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9, at Lahser High School in Bloomfield Hills. Presented by St. George Greek Church of Bloomfield Hills, for benefit performance sponsored by The Ladies' Philoptochos Society of the church.

Cranbrook Institute of Science presents film program "After the Glacier" and "Aging of Lakes" at 2, 3 and 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, at science museum auditorium in Bloomfield Hills. Free with museum admission.

MAIN STREET

Divorce Workshop open to public without charge at First United Methodist Church of Birmingham. First session Tuesday, Feb. 6, on "Marriage and Divorce—Connecting and Disconnecting" conducted by Dr. William Nichols. Further information at 558-0041.

Cross Country Skiing for the Beginner program on equipment, warm-up exercises, skiing locations, at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 6, at Baldwin Public Library, Birmingham. No charge.

For information on events in Oakland County to be considered for listing, send information to: Eitel Simmons, entertainment editor, The Observer & Eccentric, 1225 Bowers, Birmingham 48012. Deadline is two weeks in advance of event.

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