

Kids' music festival set for June 3

The third annual Detroit Children's Music Festival, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, June 3, at the Friends School in Detroit features a variety of performers including Grammy-winning pianist Johnny Allen, the gospel group Revived, the Grumpy's, Rosewood, student and faculty ensembles from the Center for Creative Studies, Michigan State University Community Music School faculty, numerous area high school ensembles and a singing group formed by Detroit Police Chief Ike McKinnon.

Tickets are \$4 in advance, \$5 at the door. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Doors open at 10 a.m.

PREVIEW

Admission may also be gained with the donation of a musical instrument to the James T. Ford Foundation's Give a Toot Program.

Among the donors so far is jazz trumpeter Johnny Trudell, who will be at the festival presenting a musical workshop for students. "It's a help for the young people to give them some inspiration," Trudell said in a press release. "I know I appreciated the helping hands that reached out to me years ago. You want to pass it

down, pass it on, give someone else an opportunity." To donate an instrument before the festival, call Keith Williams at (313) 833-5749.

Other artists involved in musical workshops include George Benson, Ralphie Armstrong, Francisco Mora and Naima Sham-bouger. Cynthia Taggart will lead a workshop for music teachers working with children. To register for the workshops, fax your name, address, phone number, age, school and instrument to: Mary Hengesh (517) 335-2473.

Games and children's activities are being organized by Angela

Petroff of the Downriver Council for the Arts.

Friends School is located at 1100 St. Aubin at Lafayette, six blocks east of I-75 and two blocks north of Jefferson in Lafayette Park.

For more information on the festival, call (313) 832-2767.

The festival features three stages of continuous entertainment and activities for children. Each stage is aimed at a different audience — one for small children with folk singers, magicians and jugglers; one for adults with first rate jazz and classical, and one for teenagers with gospel, rock, rap and blues.



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