AUDITIONS

• **NORTHVILLE PLAYERS**
Auditions for "The Back Close," a melodrama to be performed during the Northville Victorian Festival Sept. 15-17. Auditions will be held at the First United Methodist Church, 217 W. Lake St. in Road, Northville, 7:30 p.m. July 13-14.

• **WYANDOTTE THEATRE**
Wyandotte Community Theatre is auditioning for "Anne of Green Gables" at Fellowship Memorial Church, 32 Oak, corner of Fort. Auditions dates are 1-3:30 p.m. July 16 and 7-9:30 p.m. July 17. Needed are 8 to 12 men, 12 to 16 women and children. Performance dates are Oct. 27-28 and Nov. 3 and 4. (313) 963-6307

• **GREENFIELD VILLAGE**
Auditions for Shenson Homes will be 7-10 p.m. Monday, July 17 at Anderson Center Theater, at the entry Ford Museum. Performances are Sept. 8 through Oct. 14 Fridays and Saturdays, one Sunday matinee at 2:30 p.m. Oct. 8. Cold readings will be used and prepared material is not necessary. All characters are British accents. All actors under 18 must accompany the parent of the.
313) 271-1620 ext. 245

• **NORTHLAND PLAYERS**
Auditions for Guys and Dolls on at 2 p.m. Aug. 6 and 7 p.m. Aug. 7 Thousand Oaks Performance Center, Northland Mall, 3019 Avon, Northland Mall House
810) 258-9521

• **SYMPHONY**
The Ann Arbor-based volunteer, non-profit symphony orchestra is auditioning for new members. The orchestra's season runs throughout the year.
313) 971-1831

COMMUNITY BAND

• **SOUTH OAKLAND CONCERT BAND**
Anyone who plays a band instrument is invited to join. No audition required. Rehearsals 7:30-9:30 p.m. Mondays at Addams Jr. High in Royal Oak.
810) 548-9568

COMMUNITY THEATER

• **ANN ARBOR CIVIC**
Picnic" to be performed 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 6-8, July 13-15, July 20-22 at Power Center Theatre, 2275 Plymouth Ann Arbor. Tickets $8
313) 971-2228

• **ATTIC THEATER**
Corner of Agar continues to July 16 at the Attic Theatre, Third in Avery Grand Boulevard, Detroit.
313) 875-8284 or (810) 645-6666

• **LOFT PRODUCTIONS**
"Vampire Lesbians of Sodom" 8 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, through July 9 1515 Broadway, Detroit. Tickets $7.50 to $12.50.
810) 334-LOFT

• **OUR TIME PRODUCTIONS**
"Three Penalties" 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday through July 29, Osprey Detroit's Social Center, 1234 Porter, Detroit. Tickets $12.50
313) 582-6260

• **GEM THEATER**
Star Wreck: In The Great Space is a unique re-telling of the classic Star Trek episode "Space Seed" (1967) weekends through Sunday, July 9 through Aug. 12 58 E. Columbia, Detroit. across from the Fox Theatre.
313) 963-9800

• **PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN**
"Chicago" by the Dozen," opens 8 p.m. Friday, July 14 continues weekends to July 22, 2170 Madison, Dearborn, near Monroe and Outer Drive.
313) 561-TKTS or (313) 277-5164

• **TROY PLAYERS**
"The Secret Garden," opens 8 p.m. Friday, July 14 continues weekends to July 29, Troy Community Center, 520 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy.
(810) 879-1285

YOUTH THEATER

• **ACTING WORKSHOP**
Southfield Theatre Academy Day Camp, July 17-28. Open to children ages 7-13. This year's theme is "Fun, Fables and Fairy Tales."
(810) 354-4717

DINNER THEATER

• **GENETTI'S**
"Honey Harmony" weekends to September. Tickets $37.10 per person and includes dinner, non-alcoholic drink, and show.
(810) 342-0522

• **STAR CLIPPER DINNER TRAIN**
"Murder Mackinac!" Tuesdays and Thursdays, "I Shot the Sheriff," musical murder mystery, Wednesdays, "Cool Cats & Hot Chicks!" video review of music from 1950s & 1960s Fridays. Chipper Cabaret Sundays featuring Broadway show tunes. Train boards 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 7 p.m. departure; 4 p.m. boarding Sundays, 5 p.m. departure.
(810) 960-8400

PROFESSIONAL THEATER

• **PURPLE ROSE THEATRE**
"Weekend Comedy," 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 2 and 7 p.m. Sunday through July 30, Purple Rose Theatre, 137 Park St., Chelsea. Tickets $15 to $25
(313) 475-7902

• **"SHOOTING EBBONE"**
Performances July 6-9, 13-16 (8:30 to 8:12), Performance Network, 408 Washington, Ann Arbor.
(313) 663-0681

DANCE

• **CW DANCING**
Country line dance lessons, 7-10 p.m. Tuesdays, partner dance lessons 7-9 p.m. Fridays, Bonaldi Inn, Farmington. Fee $5 to $7.
(810) 442-8957

CLASSICAL MUSIC

• **SUNDOWN BREAK**
Robert Jones perform 8 p.m. Thursday, July 6, Blanche Anderson Moore Hall, School of Music, Moore Building, 1100 Baits, North Campus, Main, Ann Arbor. Admission $5.

• **GO FOR BAROQUE**
Festival featuring Detroit Symphony Orchestra and music from the Bach family, 2 p.m. Friday and Saturday, July 7-8, Orchestra Hall, Detroit. Preconcert entertainment in Orchestra Park Place, adjacent to the hall, 6:30 p.m. each night through intermission — cappuccino bar, ice cream cart, and other vendors. Tickets $9-$40.
(313) 833-3700 or (810) 645-6666

• **SUMMER SINGS**
Hosted by UMS Choral Union, 7-9:30 p.m. July 10, 17 and 24, University of Michigan Modern Language Building, Auditorium 4, north of Hill Auditorium, on Thayer between Washington and North University, Ann Arbor.) Registration

British are coming to village

The British are coming! They'll be met by Colonial re-enactors, Native Americans and visitors from around the world as Greenfield Village in Dearborn presents the Colonial Life special weekend July 8-9, for more information, call (313) 271-1976.

The Village will be filled with fife and drum corps, military and Native American encampments, Revolutionary War battlefield demonstrations and Village costumed staff re-creating 18th century life.

Visitors will hear nationally known groups including the Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps, and 1st Michigan Colonial Fife and Drum Corps.

Kids can discover games that entertained their 18th century counterparts, and life among Native American Woodland Indians will be depicted with storytelling, crafts, and food-preparation activities.

15 at the door. Choral reading session features Bach's Mass in B Minor at 10, Neeme Jarvi is guest conductor on July 24 .
313) 576-5107

CONCERTS IN THE PARK

Musician: *Folk singer John McCutcheon plays banjo, guitar, autoharp, hammer dulcimer and fiddle. He'll be performing at The Ark in Ann Arbor, 8 p.m. Friday, July 7. Tickets available at the door, call (313) 761-1451 or (313) 763-6587.*

• **JOHNNY TRUDELL BAND**
Performs 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 6, Civic Center Park, Livonia. Admission free.
(313) 421-2000, Ext. 2214

• **ONE FLIGHT UP**
Folk-Rock featuring Eric Anderson, Shelly Quayle, David Best and John Teichert 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 6, Eaton Park, Birmingham. Admission free.
(810) 645-0731

• **THE BUNDLELINDERS**
New Parks & Recreation summer concert at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 6, Mill Pond Park Centre. Free admission, refreshments, kid novelties.
(810) 347-0400.

• **MOOSE AND DA SHAKES**
Oldies but goodies with a humorous approach. Summer concert on the green, 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 12, on lawn between library and community center, just west of I-75 in the civic center complex. Free admission, bring lawn chair and blanket.
(810) 524-3546

• **REDFORD SYMPHONY**
The Redford Symphony will play patriotic tunes, big band music and show tunes. Soloist on clarinet, trumpet and saxophones. Tuesday, July 11, 7:30-9 p.m. at Capitol Park, Hemingway and Capital streets, north of Plymouth and west of Beech Daly. Free admission.

• **CARILLON RECITAL**
July 9, Gaston Bodden, carillonneur from Amsterdam in the Netherlands, will perform at Christ Church Cranbrook on Sunday at 4 p.m. Free admission. Bring lawn chairs or blankets to spread on the grounds at Cranbrook and Lone Pine road one mile west of Woodward in Bloomfield Hills.
(810) 644-5210.

• **U-M CARILLON SERIES**
Dr. Phillip Burgess of Bloomfield Hills will perform on July 17 at 7 p.m. Concert will last 55 minutes and listeners can visit bell chamber afterward. Also the Burton Memorial Tower on the University of Michigan campus in Ann Arbor.

• **COFFEEHOUSE IN THE PARK**
Three musical acts from the Rochester area performing 25 minutes each at 7:30 p.m. on July 6 at the Rochester Municipal park. Two guitarist/vocalists and one jazz singer.

• **ORGAN MUSIC**
University of Michigan school of music hosts its 11th International organ and carillon music series, Friday, July 7, Lecture, "The Music of J.S. Bach" Elmore Barker, guest lecturer. Free admission, Blanche Anderson Moore Hall, 8 p.m. Sunday, July 9, Music of Poland with guest organist Josef Sebastian, professor of music, Wartaw Conservatory, Warsaw, Poland. 4 p.m. Blanche Anderson Moore Hall. Admission charge.
(313) 764-0594.

• **PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY**
The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra and Chorale Pete and Revelation celebrate America's birthday in an outdoor concert on Thursday, July 13 at 7:30 p.m. at the Heritage Park Amphitheatre at 1150 S. Canton Center Rd. (behind the Canton Public Library. Free admission and pop and popcorn concessions available. Bring lawn chairs.

• **SUN MESSENGERS**
Playing music from the '50s and '60s will appear at the Terrace Plaza of Lake Erie Metropark in Brownstown Township on Saturday, July 8 at 8 p.m. All special events are free.
(313) 379-5200.

• **DANCING UNDER THE STARS**
The Variones, featuring easy listening and standards, will provide music at the dance area stage at Menjo Beach Metropark near Kt. Clemens on Saturday, July 8 at 7 p.m. Free except reserved vehicle entry permit, daily $3.

• **MACOMB SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**

FESTIVALS

• **FARMINGTON KIDS DAY**
The Metropreps's 15th annual Kids Day on Tuesday, July 11, will feature live entertainment, petting zoo, pet shows, rides, art tents, police and firefighter demonstrations, horse dance and music, clowns, entertainers, stilt contests and more for free! Suitable for toddlers through school age children, 10 a.m. Noon to 5 p.m. in Shiawassee Park, one block north of Grand River and two blocks east of Farmington Rd. in downtown Farmington.
(810) 353-9777.

• **ANN ARBOR SUMMER FESTIVAL**
Concerts at the Power Center for the Performing Arts through July 9. Monday, July 7, 10:30 Richard, July 8. Call for classic music schedule.
(313) 747-2278

• **OPAI FEST**
Troy Chamber of Commerce hosts a special summer membership mixer at the year's Greek Festival sponsored by St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 7100 W. Wattles Road. Cash bar, Greek feast, church tour, cultural activities. $15 for chamber members and guests; $20 non-members. Friday, July 7, 11:30 a.m.

• **INNER LIGHT**
Festival of Inner Light Extravaganza on Saturday, July 8 at the Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main Street, noon to 7 p.m. Readings, crystals, jewelry, angel books, tapes, Native American art, Free lectures, astrology, psychic and spiritual artists. $5 admission. $10 reading.
(312) 532-8584.

• **LATINO WORLD FESTIVAL**
Hart Plaza in downtown Detroit, July 7, 8 and 9. Cuban Festival Dancers from Livonia will be performing.

• **POLISH FESTIVAL**
American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple Rd., Troy, presents an Indoor Summer Social on Sunday, July 9. Doors open at noon, Music by the Variziens 3-8 p.m. Admission $2. Polish food, cash bar.
(810) 689-3636.

• **RIBS 'N SOUL**
The 2nd annual Ribs 'n Soul Festival is set to begin July 14-16 at Detroit's Hart Plaza. Area restaurants barbecue ribs for a showdown, while festival attendants give the Peoples Choice, Jazz and rhythm & blues entertainment.

FOLK

• **BRENDAN'S PUB**
Entertainment 9:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 33210 W. 14 Mile Road, northwest corner of Farmington Road, West Bloomfield.
(810) 855-9220

• **DUSTY GROOVE**
Dusty Strokes, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Bonaldi Inn, 36000 Grand River, Farmington
(810) 474-4600

JAZZ

• **DEPALMA'S RISTORANTE**
Variety of entertainment, 31735 Plymouth Road, Livonia, 8 p.m. to midnight, Mondays, Larry Nozero & Friends play jazz; 6:30-10:30 p.m. Tuesday, Frizzy and Saturday, Ron DeNardis, piano; Enrico Carabo Opera Society, 7-10 p.m. Wednesdays; 6:30-10:30 p.m. Thursdays, the Striders — David & Francesco.
(313) 261-2430

• **JACK BROKENSHA QUARTET**
8 p.m. Thursday, Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River, Farmington Hills.
(810) 474-4600

• **JAZZ DUO**
Marvin Katz on alto clarinet and Keith Vreeland, piano, Thursday nights at La Metro, 27663 Northwestern, Southfield.
(810) 353-2157

• **OPEN MIKE JAM**
Jazz Jam I, hosted by Randy Napoleon Quintet, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 6, 02's Music Environment, 1920 Packard, Ann Arbor. Musicians of all levels may bring their instruments and join in these open stage jams. Admission $1. Free if you play.
(313) 662-3663

• **GEORGE MARTIN TRIO**
The George Martin Trio will perform at 9:30 p.m. at Envoy Cafe, 23210 W. 14 Mile, West Bloomfield, northeast corner of Farmington Road, two lower change.
(810)855-6720.

• **NORMA JEAN BELL**
Saxophonist extraordinaire performs 6-10:30 p.m. July 12 on the Big Fun patio, 700 Town Center Drive, Dearborn. No cover charge.

• **SYNERGY**
Acoustic-electric band performing classical, jazz and pop 8-11 p.m. Thursdays, Lonestar Coffee Co., 207 S. Woodward, Birmingham.
(810) 642-2233

• **JOHN DI CROSTA**
Performs 8:30 p.m. Thursday, 9 p.m. Friday, 8 and 10:30 p.m. Saturday, July 6-8, Panzano's Casual Dining, 5010 Schaefer, Dearborn. Tickets $5 Thursday, $8 Friday and Saturday. Dinner/show package $12.95 to $16.95.
(313) 584-8885

• **JOHN TAMBERINO**
Performs 8:30 p.m. Thursday, 8:30 and 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, July 6-8, Mainstreet Comedy Showcase, 3141 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. Tickets $10.
(313) 741-0022

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

• **SPIDER EVENT**
Spiders Science is an afternoon of hands on activities the whole family will enjoy at Cranbrook Institute of Science on Saturday, July 8 from 1-4:30 p.m. in depth exploration of tarantulas. Limited to 15 participants. $9 adults; $8 children. Includes museum admission.
(810) 645-3230.

• **TALENTED & GIFTED**
Oakland College's Talented and Gifted program for youngsters age 5 and up offers various classes and programs beginning July 17.
(313) 462-4448

• **SUMMER ENRICHMENT**
Program for Young People July 10-21 at Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn. Classes in art, mime, theater, music and nature offered for individuals age 4-18.
(313) 945-3095

• **MUSIC**
One hour concerts 8 p.m. Wednesdays featuring Alvaro Senashen (July 12), Richard Guschi (July 19), Stone Hot Band (July 26), Karen and Kari Kennis, Bev Hensrishe, Kris Williams (Aug. 2), New Faith Chapel Singers (Aug. 9), David Temple & Steve Hsu (Aug. 16) & Nicole Mendelovich (Aug. 23) at Harrison Park United Methodist Church, 29687 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. Admission free.
(810) 476-8860

BENEFITS

• **GARDEN WALTZ**
Waltz in the Garden on Friday, July 7, at Plum Hollow Golf Course to benefit the Southfield Community Foundation. Waltz to a live symphony orchestra from 8-10 p.m. followed by dance music from 10 p.m. to midnight. Evening includes wine, champagne, hors d'oeuvres, and coffee and pastries. Black tie optional. $30 per person, $35 at the door. Tickets at Southfield City Hall main reception desk during business hours.

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8 Days a Week

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COMING ATTRACTIONS

• **FRIDAY, JULY 7**
Classic tale of King Arthur told from the perspective of the rogue knight Lancelot, whose love for the beautiful Lady Guinevere clouds his judgment and seals his fate. Stars Sean Connery and Richard Gere.

• **"SPECIES"**
Sci-fi thriller about a genetically engineered beast capable of assuming human form whose purpose is to procreate and breed other aliens. Stars Ben Kingsley, Michael Madsen, Forest Whitaker, Natasha Henstridge. Rated R.

FRIDAY, JULY 14

• **"NINE MONTHS"**
Romantic comedy about the ups and downs of child bearing — from the perspective of two very different husbands. Stars Hugh Grant, Julianne Moore, Tom Arnold, Joan Cusack and Robin Williams.

• **"THE INDIAN IN THE CUPBOARD"**
Adapted from a series of children's books, this fantasy adventure is about a boy who discovers with a turn of a key he can magically bring-to-life his three-inch high toy Indian he placed in an old cupboard. Stars Hal Scardino, Litefoot, Lindsay Crouse. Rated PG.

• **"UNDER SIEGE 2:DARK TERRITORY"**
Aboard a hijacked train in Colorado, the cook, ex-Navy SEAL Casey Ryback, is the only person who can stop a renegade techno-expert from destroying Washington, D.C., with a satellite weapon which he created. Stars Steven Seagal, Eric Bogosian, and Morris Chestnut.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

• **"CLUELESS"**
Romantic comedy about a Beverly Hills High student who tries to arrange everyone else's romantic lives but discovers she may have completely misjudged her own. Stars Alicia Silverstone, Stacy Dash, Brittany Murphy, Paul Rudd. Rated PG-13.

• **"FREE WILLY 2 — THE ADVENTURE HOME"**
Jesse and Willy meet again when an oceanic disaster separates Willy, his brother and sister from the rest of their pod and jeopardizes their lives. Jesse must save his friend, and is in turn saved from agents of his own by Willy. Stars Jason James Richter, Michael Madsen, Jayne Atkinson, Jon Tenny.

Information on limited engagements only should be submitted two weeks in advance to: Christina Fusco, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or by fax at (313) 591-7279. Every publication, the venues' addresses and phone numbers with area codes must be included.

POPULAR MUSIC

• **THE ALLIGATORS**
9 p.m. Friday, July 7, Old Woodward Grill, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Cover charge, $5. Saturday, July 8, Tap Room, 201 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti. (blues)
(313) 482-9400/(313) 482-5330

• **FRANK ALLISON AND THE COD SOX**
9 p.m. Fri. July 14, Gotham City, 22848 Woodward Ave., Ferndale; 9 p.m. Saturday, July 15, Cave Java, 1101 S. University, Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (party alternapop)
(810) 398-7430/(313) 741-5262

• **AURELIUS RIDE**
With B Hour Band, 9 p.m. Thursday, July 13, Grit's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. $5. 21 and older. (rock)
(810) 334-9292

• **BAXTER SPACE**
With Viva Peacocks, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, July 8, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 19 and older. (alternative rock)
(313) 996-8555

• **BIG BLOCK**
10 p.m. Friday, July 14, The Ritz, 17580 Fraziho, Roseville. $5. 18 and older. (rock)
(810) 778-6404

• **BLUE HATSON**
9 p.m. Friday, July 14, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. $5. All ages. (alternative rock)
(313) 633-9700

• **BLUE ROSE**
9 p.m. Saturday, July 8, Old Woodward Grill, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues)
(810) 642-9400

• **MICHAEL BOLTON**
7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 11, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Clarkston.

Tickets are $37.50 pavilion; $22.50 lawn. Superfan tickets available. Fifty cents of each ticket sold will be donated to charity. (pop)
(810) 377-0100

• **BOYZ II MEN**
With Marcell Jordan and Mary J. Blige, 7 p.m. Fri. July 7, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Clarkston. $45 pavilion; $29.50 lawn. All ages. (R&B)
(810) 377-0100

• **BROOKS AND DUNN**
With Mark Chesnutt and Wade Hayes, 7:30 p.m. Fri., Aug. 18, at Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Clarkston. Tickets are $42 pavilion, $15.50 lawn. (country)
(810) 377-0100

• **BROTHERS GRIM**
With The Deterrents, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 6, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 19 and older. (rock)
(313) 996-8555

• **SUSAN CALLOWAY**
9 p.m. Thursday, July 13, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge, 21 and older. (singer/songwriter)
(810) 332-HOWL

• **CHRIS HARDWICK**
With Hardwick, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 13, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. $6. 18 and older.
(313) 961-MELT

• **CITY HEAT**
9 p.m. Saturday, July 8, Hickide's, 19172 Grand River, Detroit. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues)
(313) 824-1030

• **SHAWN COLVIN**
With Stewart Francke, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 8, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. $22.50 pavilion; $12.50 lawn. Groups discounts. (adult alternative)
(810) 377-0100

• **CORKSCREW**
With Demagogue, 9 p.m. Saturday, July 8, Grit's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. $5. 21 and older. (rock)
(810) 334-9292

• **DOROTHY**
9 p.m. Saturday, July 8, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 21 and older. (rock)
(313) 996-9747

• **DOWN WITH HATRED**
9 p.m., Friday, July 7, Lili's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck. $5. 21 and older. (rock)
(313) 875-8535

• **LUCKY DUBE**
9 p.m. Tuesday, July 11, The Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. $2.50 in advance; $13 at the door. (roots reggae)
(313) 833-9700

• **ED HALL**
With 10 Deluxe, 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 11, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. $5. 18 and older.
(313) 961-MELT

• **ELEPHANT EAR**
9 p.m. Friday, July 14, Lili's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck. $5. 21 and older. (rock)
(313) 875-8535

• **ERIC'S TRIP**
With the Chesterfields and The Inbreds, 9:30 p.m. Friday, July 7, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 19 and older. (alternative rock)
(313) 996-8555

• **THE FAMILIARS**
With Wormhole, 9 p.m. Thursday, July 6, Grit's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. $5. 21 and older. (rock)
(810) 334-9292

• **FAT AMY**
9 p.m. Thursday, July 6, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 21 and older. (rock)
(313) 996-2747

• **DAVID FOLKS**
With Jen Krist, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 8, as part of the "Top of the Park" music series atop The Power Center, 121 Fletcher, Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. 9 p.m. Saturday, July 8, Impound, 17320 Harper, Detroit. $3. (singer/songwriter, rock)
(313) 763-3333

Jokers are wild: *Detroit rappers I.C.P. will come up from the underground scene later this summer when they release their debut album for Jive Records. Fans can hear new tracks before that when the rappers perform at 8 p.m. Friday, July 7, at the State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets are $9 in advance for the all-ages show. For more information, call (313) 961-5451.*

• **RHYTHM CORPS**
With Quietron Crew and Miracle Berries, Saturday, July 8, The Ritz, 17580 Fraziho, Roseville. $5. 18 and older. (rock)
(810) 778-6404

• **HOUD JAMES AND THE FLANETHROWERS**
9 p.m. Friday, July 7, Stan's Dugout, 3350 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues)
(810) 852-6433

• **JES GRU**
9 p.m. Friday, July 14, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 21 and older. (funky rock)
(313) 996-2747

• **RINGO STARR AND HIS ALL STARR BAND**
With special guest Jack Tempchin, 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 10, at Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Clarkston. $22.50 pavilion; $12.50 lawn. (rock)
(810) 377-0100

• **DONNA SUMMER**
7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 12, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Clarkston. $25 and $17.50 pavilion; $12.50 lawn. (disco)
(810) 377-0100

• **SUNSET BLUES BAND**
Sat. July 8, Sunset Grill, 43393 13 Mile Road, Novi. (blues)
(810) 624-8475

• **PAUL GARVIN BLUES BAND**
9 p.m. Friday, July 14, Stan's Dugout, 3350 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues)
(810) 852-6433

• **MARY MCGUIRE**
With John Wesley Harris, Sat. July 8, at Shark Creek, 5725 Rochester Road, Troy. Cover charge, 21 and older. ("Indigo Girls meets Janis Ian")
(810) 828-3500

• **MARY MCGUIRE AND THE COSMIC DALE'S**
Featuring Ethan Davidson and Bruce Bedford, with The Mutes, Thursday, July 6, at Magic Bag Theatre Cafe, 22918 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. $3. 18 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, July 7, The Headliners, 215 N. Main St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 21 and older. (adult alternative)
(810) 544-3030/(313) 663-7758

• **DAVID BROMBERG**
With Jorma Kaukonen, Sat. July 8, at Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. $25 pavilion; $12.50 lawn. Groups discounts. (adult alternative)
(810) 377-0100

• **ED KOLLEN**
With Kirk Franklin and The Family at 7:30 p.m., Sunday, July 9, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Clarkston. Postponed until July 27. Refunds will be made through July 9 at point of purchase.
(810) 377-0100

• **JIM GRANT**
9 p.m. Saturday, July 8, Mount Chalet, 4715 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Cover charge, 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, July 14, The Hideaway, 215 N. Main St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 21 and older. (singer/songwriter)
(810) 548-2929/(313) 663-7758

• **GWEN MARIS**
11:30 p.m. Friday, July 14, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. $5. 18 and older. (rock)
(313) 961-MELT

• **HARDSHIP POST**
With Stu Finger Satellite and Zampero, 8 p.m. Friday, July 14, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. $7 in advance. All ages. (alternative rock)
(313) 961-MELT

Dance All Night — Roomful of Blues

With all due respect to the Johnny Nocture Band, Michelle Wilson, Candye Kane and others of the ilk, "Dance All Night" (Bullseye Blues) is hands down the best jump blues disc of the past five years — if for no other reason than that it is the Rhode Island institution's first release in that space of time.

Celebrating 25 years together, at least two of the members — drummer John Rossi and alto player Rich Lataille — have been there from the beginning. Baritone saxist Doug James has 24 years in the fold, trumpeter Bob Enos 14, and the remaining members, trombonist Carl Querfurth (7), bassist Kenny Groves (5), and keyboardist Matt McCabe (3) have relative short terms. The years of working nights after night with the hottest horn-driven jump band on the planet is hardly novice work, though. The most visible players here are testimony to the fact. Guitarist Chris Vachon, who follows in the enormous footsteps of founders, former Fabulous Thunderbird and solo star Duke Robillard and the enormously popular Ronnie Earl, joined the band in 1990, and is quickly earning a rep as their equal. Vocalist Sugar Ray Norcia, who worked with Earl as well as with his own Sugar Ray and the Blue Tones, may be the single most impressive blues vocalist in the world today. The fact that he's also a Hall of Fame-caliber harp player is major icing on the cake. Together, this is a combination that's untouchable.

The repertoire is heavy on classics. Little Milton's "That Will Never Do," Smiley Lewis's "Little Mae," Ray Charles's "Hey Now," Little Walter's "Up The Line," Johnny "Guitar" Watson's "Gettin' In," and the great Wynonnie Harris number "Mister Dollar" all are afforded serious rug-cutting good renditions. The same can be said for a pair of Sugar Ray originals and one from Vachon, but the best things going here are the band's superb take on the Elle Johnson standard "I'm Just Your Fool" and, even more spectacular (a consistently operative word where the Roomful is concerned) is their take on "Walkin' The Blues Behind You." Norcia's vocals here are eerily reminiscent of Jimmy Rushing's on the Count Basie original.

Count Basie called Roomful of Blues his favorite band. People in little clubs and big halls are over the world have since been concurring with Basie's assessment that they're the "best little big band in America," that's if little blues or call it dance music, it's as close to heavy as your dancing feet will dare venture.

—Mark E. Gallo

Roomful of Blues performs at 8 p.m. Friday, July 7, at Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Call (313) 996-2747 for ticket information; and from 8:30-10 p.m. Monday, July 10, as part of the Dearborn Food Festival on the Dearborn Civic Center's parking lot, 15601 Michigan Ave. (at Greenfield Road), Dearborn. Call (313) 943-2350. The show is free and open to all ages.

GALLERIES

• **THE BELL GALLERY**
"Illusions/Images: A Photographic Interpretation" will continue through Aug. 3 at 162 N. Woodward, Birmingham, featuring the work of Michigan photographers Bettmaier Kreeb, Louise Tennent and Dulio Pallone. Opening reception 5-8 p.m. Friday, July 7.
(810) 647-4884

• **GARY GALLERY**
An exhibit by two Michigan artists, Darlene Quesnelle and Ron Teichworth, continues to July 29 at 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester. Reception 6-8 p.m. Saturday, July 8. Quesnelle teaches art and computer graphics at Washtenaw Community College in Ann Arbor. His latest work is involved with mixed acrylic paints on paper. Teichworth is a Rochester Hills artist whose media drawings and ceramic vases are based on the idea of the "Hanabala," reflecting the tides at the circle.
(810) 651-3555

• **DUKE GALLERY**
Summer clearance sale takes place Thursday-Sunday, July 6-9, at 313 W. Fourth, Royal Oak. Up to so 50 percent off furniture, pottery, lighting and other items.
(810) 547-5511

• **DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS**
Associate curator Donna Pierce of the 5th Department of 20th Century Art will conduct a museumwide tour of the "Impressionisms" at 1 p.m. Saturday, July 8, in the Dewey Hall at 5200 Woodward, Aves, Detroit native Lawrence Lindell, the son of Lebanese and Syrian Catholic immigrants, will read from his books of poetry "Before Our Eyes" and "Shouting at No One." 2 p.m. Sunday, July 9, in the Lecture Hall.
(313) 833-7900

• **ROYAL OAK OUTDOOR ART FAIR**
The 25th annual event takes place 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, July 8-9, in Memorial Park, Woodward and 13 Mile. One hundred artists from Michigan and outstate, food and entertainment are featured. Commissioners Row four-inch square tiles designed specifically for the art fair and produced by Pewabic Pottery will be sold.

• **UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN MUSEUM OF ART**
"The Allure of the Nude" continues to Aug. 20 at 525 S. State, Ann Arbor. Free hourlong tour 2 p.m. Sunday, July 9. Life drawing classes offered in conjunction with the exhibit, call for information.
(313) 764-0395

• **WARNER'S ANNUAL ART IN THE PARK**
The 15th annual event takes place 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 8, at Heinrich Park, on 13 Mile between Ryan and Dequindre. Admission is free. Artists and food vendors from more than 140 artists, entertainment, food and hourly drawings for a $20 gift certificate.

Hot tix: *From swingin' trio vocals to smokin' hot blues to silky smooth ballads, Jive at Five, performing 7 p.m. Sunday, July 9, Prudential Sun Bowl, behind the 2000 building of the Prudential Town Center, Southfield, has an ear in the past and an eye on the future. Free concert, bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on. Will be moved indoors in case of rain. Call (810) 354-4717 for information. Presented by the Cultural Arts Division of the Southfield Parks and Recreation Department.*