GALLERIES

- **AMERICAN CENTER BUILDING**
  The South Oakland Art Association presents "An Art Happening" April 13-27 at 27777 Franklin Road, Southfield. Opening reception 2-4 p.m. Sunday, April 14.
  (810) 435-6041
- **THE ART GALLERY**
  Arlene Parks is one of the featured artists this month in the local artists cooperative at Great Oaks Mall, Walton and Livernois, Rochester Hills. Reception to meet Parks 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 13.
  (810) 651-1579
- **BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART ASSOCIATION**
  The 15th annual Michigan Fine Arts Competition exhibit continues through May 4 at 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham. Opening reception 2-5 p.m. Saturday, April 13; awards presentation begins 3:30 p.m.
  (810) 644-0866
- **CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM**
  Student Degree Show I, featuring the work of current candidates for degrees from the departments of design, metalsmithing, painting and printmaking from the Cranbrook Academy of Art, will continue through May 21 at 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. Reception to meet the artists 5-8 p.m. Thursday, April 11.
  (810) 645-3323
- **MASCO TOUR**
  The Paint Creek Center for the Arts sponsors a private tour of the renowned Masco Collection at the company's corporate headquarters in Taylor 6-8 p.m. Thursday, April 16. Participants will travel by highway coach from downtown Rochester to the headquarters, view the art works and enjoy light refreshment including wine before returning to Rochester 9 p.m. The motorcoach departs 5:45 p.m. from Rochester Municipal Park, next to the Rochester Police Station. Free parking available in Rochester's Municipal Park lot. Tickets are $25 per person, $22 for PCCA members. Call the PCCA for more information.
  (810) 651-4110
- **PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS**
  "The Sum of its Parts," an exhibit of multiples juried by the PCCA Exhibition Committee, and a solo show, "Sandra Cardew — New Work," will continue to May 17 at 407 Pine, Rochester. Opening reception for both exhibits 7-9 p.m. Friday, April 12.
  (810) 651-4110
- **POSNER GALLERY**
  A one-woman show of original paintings on paper by Helen Evans Febbo will continue through May 7 at 523 N. Woodward, Birmingham. Opening reception for the artist 5-7 p.m. Saturday, April 13.
  (810) 647-2552
- **ROBERT KIDD GALLERY**
  An exhibit of new paintings, "Siena Series," by Peter Gooch and painted wood constructions, "Vintage Couture," by Ron Isaacs will continue through May 10 at 107 Townsend, Birmingham. Opening reception to meet the artists 6-8 p.m. Friday, April 12. Gooch's abstract paintings are luminous "memory banks," a layered summation of the artist's experiences, travels and responses to the world around him. They are opulent, yet cocky geometric; sumptuous, yet intellectually introspective. Isaacs is both sculptor and painter. His painted, trompe l'oeil wood constructions are a marvel of craftsmanship, patience and skill.
  (810) 642-3909
- **SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY**
  "Critical Mass," an exhibit of new paintings by Beverly Fishman, will continue through May 25 at 555 S. Woodward, Birmingham. Reception to meet the artist 5-8 p.m. Saturday, April 13. Fishman is head of painting at the Cranbrook Academy of Art. Using cellular images and a laser copier, she creates photo based collage paintings on shaped wood panels. Like the cell forms on which they are based, the paintings divide and multiply forming a kind of universe of variant sized clusters or masses.
  (810) 642-8250
- **TOWNSEND HOTEL**
  A fine art auction by Dyansen Galleries will take place Thursday, April 18, at 100 Townsend, Birmingham. Preview begins 6:30 p.m., the auction 7:30 p.m. Paintings, prints, objects of art and fine posters will be featured, ranging from $50 to $5,000.
  (800) 234-3504
- **ART & CALLIGRAPHY STUDIO**
  A trunk show of antiques, handcrafts and popular new merchandise (with special emphasis on such "lady things" as linens, tea items, furniture and florals) by Chris Polk, owner of A Quiet Place in the Heart, is scheduled 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 12-13, at 8156 Cooley Lake Road, White Lake.
  (810) 360-6429
- **BROWN BAG LECTURE**
  In celebration of Glass Month, a free lecture on contemporary stained glass will take place noon to 1 p.m. Thursday, April 18, in the auditorium of the Oakland County Information Technology Building. Barbara Krueger, artist and co-director of Michigan Census of Stained Glass, will take the audience back to view the evolution of stained glass beginning in Europe, and discuss the factors that influenced these contemporary works, including photography, painting and various German styles. She will give a guided tour of the glass exhibit, "Image, Light & Structure 1996," in the Oakland County Galleria after the lecture.
  (810) 858-0415
- **CCS-COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN**
  The Art Director's Club of Detroit and the CCS-College of Art and Design invite you to share an evening with internationally renowned illustrator Wendell Minor 7-9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 18. Minor will speak 7 p.m. at the CCS Boughton Auditorium, 201 E. Kirby at John R, Detroit, and be available afterward for open discussion. Reservations are suggested as seating is limited. Admission is free for ACDC members and CCS students with valid ID; $12 for non-members.
  (810) 589-8204
- **CUP-A-CINO**
  Southfield artist Frances Samarco will exhibit a quirky combination of paintings and poetry to May 24 in the coffee shop and restaurant at 15104 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park. Opening reception for the artist 7:30-10:30 p.m. Friday, April 12. Samarco specializes in black and white acrylic paintings but this, her first show, will feature an eclectic mix.
  (313) 822-8333
- **DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET**
  "Select 5," an exhibit featuring works by Kevin Castle, Leslie Denyer, Nancy Patek, Valerie Mann and Anne Mills McCauley, continues through May 3 at 300 River Place, Suite 1650, Detroit. Free gallery brown bag lecture with the artists 12:15-1 p.m. Thursday, April 11.
  (313) 393-1770
- **DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS**
  A drop-in family workshop in which participants view Egyptian amulets (charms) in the DIA's collection and then make their own from modeling material will take place noon to 3 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 12-13, in the Studio at 5200 Woodward. DIA conservator Alfred Ackerman will present a slide-illustrated lecture (with sign language interpreter) on the conservation of paintings in the museum's collection 2 p.m. Sunday, April 14, in Lecture Hall. An installation by New York artist Glenn Ligon will be presented at the DIA April 18 through June 23; Ligon will give a lecture 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 17, in Lecture Hall; buy tickets for $5 by calling the Ticket Office at (313) 833-2323. A family workshop in which participants (grades K-3) search the galleries for animals in art and then make their own creatures will take place 1-3 p.m. Saturday, April 20; fees are $7 per child and $3 per adult, or $6 per child and $2 per adult for members. A seminar, "Narrative at the Boundaries," in which award-winning writer Carla Harryman discusses writings of the 1990s that explore the edges of narrative, will take place Saturdays, April 20 to May 25; fees are $50, $40 for members, seniors and students, registration is limited. "Pictorialism into Modernism: The Clarence H. White School of Photography" continues through May 26; related events include a film presentation, "The White School's Influence on Filmmaking: The Work of Ralph Steiner," 2 p.m. Saturday, April 13, in Lecture Hall. A drop-in family workshop in which participants discover patterns found in traditional African art and then make prints using rubber stamps will take place noon to 3 p.m. Thursday, April 11, in the Studio.
  (313) 833-7900
- **MATRIX GALLERY**
  "Imagining the Small: Charms and Souvenirs," an exhibit of recent mixed media arrangements by Lisa Olson, will continue to May 19 at 212 Miller, Ann Arbor. Opening reception 6-9 p.m. Friday, April 12. Additional works by Olson will be on view daily at the gallery annex inside Sweetwaters Cafe, Washington and Ashley in Ann Arbor.
  (313) 663-7775
- **NOVI GATE VI GALLERY**
  The Plein Air Society Show continues to April 15 at the Novi Civic Center, 10 Mile at Taft. Closing reception 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, April 15.
- **PEWABIC POTTERY**
  An exhibit by Mary Barringer continues through April 15 at 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit. Reception for the artist 5-7 p.m. Saturday, April 13.
  (313) 822-0954
- **UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN MUSEUM OF ART**
  "Tno: Masterpieces of Contemporary Japanese Ceramic Art" continues to April 14 at 525 S. State, Ann Arbor; tour 2 p.m. Sunday, April 14. The Society for Kinetic Arts and Music, which performs improvisational music on classical instruments, will give a free concert 8 p.m. Thursday, April 11, in the Museum of Art Apse. Installation by Heidi Kumao and Joan Giroux will be featured in New Art League Second Saturday April 13, open to New Art League members only; call (313) 747-2064 for information. Free art videos "Miro: Theater of Dreams" and "The Definitive Dali" will be shown in the Media Room. The Miro film, made five years before his death, shows Miro at 85, full of vigor and entertaining reminiscences. It will be shown 12:10 p.m. Wednesday, April 17, and 7 p.m. Thursday, April 18. The Dali film presents this remarkable artist's entire oeuvre — painting, sculpture, writing, fashion and film — in the context of his extraordinary life. It will be shown 12:10 p.m. Wednesday, April 24, and 7 p.m. Thursday, April 25. Group tours of any museum exhibit may be arranged by calling the Docent Office at (313) 747-2067.
  (313) 764-0395
- **WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY**
  A daylong conference on "New Methods of Evoking Holocaust and Genocide: Modern Graphics, Music and Theatre" will take place Thursday, April 18, in the McGregor Memorial Conference Center at WSU. The $25 tickets include lunch. Among the features of the conference are a continental breakfast, readings from "The Diary of Anne Frank" by the Jewish Ensemble Theatre, musical performances, an art display of works by Kegham Tazian of Oakland Community College and a panel discussion. For a registration form, call WSU's Office of Community Relations.
  (313) 577-2246
- **WFA GALLERY**
  "Cubism: What's It All About," a series exploring the cubist movement, continues 7-9 p.m. Thursday, April 18, in the Waterford Friends of the Arts Gallery in the community center at Crescent Lake Road and M-59 with a free workshop on Picasso by Robert Seeburger. Materials will be provided. Call for reservations.
  (810) 666-4553
- **WILLIS GALLERY**
  "April Showers — Us With Art," featuring paintings and sculpture by Thomas Rapai, Angelina Davis, James Lutomski, Sherry Moore and Jeanne Bien, continues through April 27 at 422 W. Willis. Opening reception 6-10 p.m. Friday, April 12.
  (313) 831-0136

THEATER

- **THE GEM THEATRE**
  "Shear Madness" continues Wednesdays-Sundays through June.
  (313) 963-9800 or (810) 645-6666
- **ATTIC THEATRE**
  "Riffs," a story of four retired men who meet daily for story telling and remembrances, through May 4, at the Attic Theatre, located on the third floor of Trapper's Alley in Greektown. $15-$25; discounts available for seniors, students and groups of 15 or more.
  (313) 963-9339
- **"CATS"**
  8 p.m. opens Friday, April 12 and continues through April 21, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. $10-$37.50.
  (810) 433-1515
- **"BEAUTY AND THE BEAST"**
  Runs through May 26, Masonic Temple Theatre, 500 Temple Ave., Detroit. $16-$60.
  (313) 832-5900/(810) 645-6666
- **PURPLE ROSE THEATRE COMPANY**
  "Purple Rose Spring Comedy Festival," a collection of short original plays centered around a theme of "Life: Liberty and the Pursuit of Lust," through May 19, Purple Rose Theatre Company's Garage Theatre, 137 Park St., Chelsea. $15-$20.
  (313) 475-7902
- **1515 BROADWAY**
  "Birdie on the Back Nine" runs weekends through Sunday, April 21, 1515 Broadway, Detroit. $10 in advance; $12 at the door.
  (313) 965-1515
- **MEADOW BROOK**
  "Corpsel" opens Wednesday, April 17, and runs through May 12, Meadow Brook Theatre, Oakland University, Walton and Squirrel boulevards, Rochester. $16-$28.50.
  (810) 377-3300

COMMUNITY THEATER

- **VILLAGE PLAYERS**
  "Romance/Romance" runs weekends through April 13, at 752 Chestnut (east of Hunter Boulevard), Birmingham; American Association of University Women holds benefit performance, 2 p.m. Sunday, April 14. $20.
  (810) 644-2075/(810) 647-4911 for benefit
- **STAGECRAFTERS**
  "Marvin's Room" runs weekends through Sunday, April 14, at Baldwin Theatre's 2nd Stage, 415 S. Lafayette Ave., Royal Oak. $7.
  (810) 541-6430
- **ROSEDALE COMMUNITY PLAYERS**
  "Beau Jest" runs weekends through April 27, Upstage Theatre, 21728 Grand River, 1/2 block east of Lahser, Detroit. $8.
  (313) 532-4010

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

- **PAPER BAG PRODUCTIONS**
  "Tom Sawyer," with original music and lyrics by Producer/Director C.J. Nodus, through Sunday, May 19, at the Players Club, 3321 E. Jefferson (between McDougal and Mount Elliott, across from Harbortown). On Saturdays, lunch begins at noon with the show at 1 p.m.; Sundays, lunch is at 1 p.m. with the show at 2 p.m. $7 for lunch and the show, $6 for groups of 20 or more.
  (810) 662-8118
- **MARQUIS THEATRE**
  "Pinocchio," continues weekends through April 18, at the theater, 135 E. Main St., Northville. $6.50, with discount rates for special school dates and times, birthdays, group rates and reservations. Children younger than 3 1/2 will not be admitted.
  (810) 349-8110

COLLEGE

- **EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY QUIRK THEATRE**
  "The Devil's Disciple," by George Bernard Shaw, through April 20, at EMU's Department and Communications and Theatre Arts, 124 Quirk, Ypsilanti. $5-$10.
  (313) 487-1221
- **BONSTELLE THEATRE**
  "The Roof," a comedy drama about graduating seniors by Aleksandr Galin of Russia, runs weekends at the Wayne State University theater through April 21. $7.50-$9.50, with group rates available.
  (313) 577-2960
- **HILBERRY THEATRE**
  "Abelard and Heloise," the love story of 12th century French scholar Peter Abelard and his student Heloise, through May 11, at the Wayne State University theater. $9.50-$16.50, with group rates available.
  (313) 577-2972
- **UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN THEATRE DEPARTMENT**
  "The Tooth of Crime," opens Thursday, April 4, and runs through April 14, Trueblood Theatre, inside the Frieze Building, State and Huron streets, Ann Arbor. $12 general admission; $6 student seating.
  (313) 764-0450
- **OU STUDIO THEATRE**
  "All My Sons," opens 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 9, and runs through Sunday, April 14, studio theatre in Varner Hall, Oakland University campus, Walton and Squirrel boulevards, Rochester. $3-$6.
  (810) 370-3013
- **U-M GILBERT AND SULLIVAN SOCIETY**
  "Iolanthe," Thursday, April 11-Sunday, April 14, Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre, Ann Arbor. $9-$13 with discounts for students, senior citizens, and children.
  (313) 761-7855

SPECIAL EVENTS

- **"FUNERAL FOR WINTER"**
  Hosted by Dwayne X. Riley and Wayne State University's jazz program director Matt Michaels and his Dixieland band musicians will accompany the casket of lifeless Ol' Man Winter in a New Orleans-style funeral procession, 12:30 p.m. Thursday, April 11, Circa 1890 Saloon, 5474, Detroit.
  (313) 577-2150
- **GREAT LAKES INTERNATIONAL BANJO CONVENTION**
  Thursday, April 18-Saturday, April 20, Holiday Inn Fairlane, 5801 Southfield Service Dr. (at Ford Road), Dearborn. $5.
  (313) 282-6635/(810) 651-6269

POP

- **THE LETTERMAN**
  With the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Thursday, April 18-Sunday, April 21, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. $15-$55.
  (313) 833-3700

WORLD MUSIC

- **RAVI SHANKAR**
  8 p.m. Saturday, April 13, Rackham Auditorium, 915 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. $16-$36.
  (313) 764-2538/(800) 221-1229
- **"GEILIDHI"**
  Irish music party benfitting the City of Detroit Pipe Band's trip to compete in the world championships in Glasgow, Scotland in August, 8 p.m. Saturday, April 13, Commonwealth Club, 30088 Dequindre Road, Warren. $10 donation.
  (313) 467-9897/(810) 751-9560
- **"SWIECONKA"**
  Polish religious musical program and traditional Easter dinner, 1 p.m. Sunday, April 14, American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple Road, Troy. $17 adults; $8 children.
  (810) 689-3636

CLASSICAL

- **ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA**
  Featuring "Don Quixote" and "Symphony No. 5" of R. Strauss and Tchaikovsky, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 18, Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University Ave., Ann Arbor. $20-$55.
  (313) 764-2538
- **GLUCK'S "ORFEO ED EURIDICE"**
  8 p.m. Friday, April 19, and Saturday, April 20, 4 p.m. Sunday, April 21, Michigan Theatre, 603 Liberty, Ann Arbor.
  (313) 764-2538/(800) 221-1229
- **TALLIS SCHOLARS**
  A Capella Renaissance singers perform at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 11, at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 2250 E. Stadium Boulevard, Ann Arbor. $18; group discounts available.
  (313) 764-2538 or (800) 221-1229
- **YONG HI MOON AND DAI UK LEE**
  Piano duo performs eight Czech duets, noon, Wednesday, April 17, Schoolcraft College's Forum Recital Hall, 18600 Haggerty Road (between Six and Seven Mile roads), Livonia. Free.
  (810) 462-4463
- **"A NIGHT IN OLD VIENNA"**
  Concert by Chamberworks, 8 p.m. Friday, April 19, First United Methodist Church of Royal Oak, 320 W. Seventh St. (between Washington and Lafayette), Royal Oak. $11 general admission; $8 seniors and students.
  (810) 952-5207
- **MARY BARTLETT**
  Harpist performs 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 16, during Tuesday Musicale's monthly meeting, Central United Methodist Church, 3882 Highland Road, Waterford. Cover charge for non-members.
  (810) 332-4975
- **LAFAYETTE STRING QUARTET**
  8 p.m. Friday, April 19, University of Michigan Museum of Art's Apse, 525 S. State St., Ann Arbor. $15 general admission; $7 students.
  (313) 764-0395

DANCE

- **FOLK DANCE**
  International dancers from the Balkans, Middle East and other countries perform and give lessons at 8:30 p.m. every Friday night at the International Folkdance Coffeehouse above the Polonia restaurant, 2934 Yemans, Hamtramck. $6; first visit free.
  (313) 874-2237
- **DANCE THEATRE OF HARLEM**
  Through Sunday, April 14, Music Hall, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit.
  (313) 832-5900
- **INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCE FESTIVAL**
  Featuring Middle Eastern, Ukrainian, Filipino, Slovakian, Israeli, Polish, Irish, African-American and East Indian dance groups, and ethnic buffet, 3:30-7 p.m. Sunday, April 14, Southfield Civic Center, Southfield. $13.50 in advance or $15 at the door.
  (810) 354-4854 or (313) 871-8600
- **SUNDAY CONTRA DANCE**
  Featuring Irish jigs and Scottish reels, 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Sunday, April 14, All Saints Episcopal Church, southeast corner of Williams and Pike streets, Pontiac. $6. Experience or a partner are not required.
  (810) 569-7573/(810) 968-3565
- **"POPACTION"**
  Also known as "The Daredevils of Dance," Thursday, April 18-Sunday, April 21, Music Hall, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit. $22.50-$27.50.
  (313) 963-2366

8 Days a Week

A guide to entertainment in the Metro Detroit area

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FOLK

- **THE ARK**
  The Rankin Family, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 11. $13.50; Dick Siegel, 8 p.m. Friday, April 12. $11; Dar Williams, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 18; 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Friday, April 19. $15; at The Ark, 637 1/2 S. Main St., Ann Arbor.
  (313) 761-1800
- **STEVE GILLETTE AND CINDY MANGSEN**
  With Dan House, 7 p.m. Sunday, April 14, as part of the Point Creek Comfy Concert, Phil and Althea Doolittle's house, Rochester Hills. $8.
  (810) 375-2513
- **KEVIN BROWN**
  9-11:30 p.m. Friday, April 12-Saturday, April 13, Coffee Studio, 600 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth.
  (313) 416-9288

POETRY

- **DR. KARLIN LILLINGTON**
  Presents a lecture on the poems of recent Nobel Prize recipient Seamus Heaney, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 18, Birmingham Unitarian Church, 651 N. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. $5 donation.
  (313) 729-2752
- **"THE MASK"**
  A cycle of five poems for chorus and piano by Pulitzer Prize-winning University of Michigan composer Bill Bolcom, 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 16, Hill Auditorium, 530 S. State St., Ann Arbor. Free.
  (313) 763-4726

JAZZ

- **KEN COX QUARTET**
  Featuring George Benson and a guest vocalist, as part of the Renaissance Center's 19th anniversary, noon Thursday, April 11, in the center's Jefferson Avenue Atrium, Detroit.
  (313) 568-5600
- **BOBBY MCFERRIN AND ARTURO SANDOVAL**
  8 p.m. Friday, April 12, and Saturday, April 13, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. $15-$55.
  (313) 962-3610/(810) 645-6666
- **SUNNY WILKINSON**
  8 p.m. Friday, April 12-Saturday, April 13, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. $5.
  (313) 662-8310
- **PAUL VORNHAGEN**
  8 p.m. Friday, April 19-Saturday, April 20, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. $5.
  (313) 662-8310
- **SHEILA LANDIS QUARTET**
  7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 9, Golden Mushroom, Southfield.
  (810) 559-4230

CHILDREN'S SHOWS

- **"TUBBY THE TUBA"**
  11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 13, Mercy High School Auditorium, 11 Mile and Middlebelt roads, Farmington Hills, as part of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra's "Tiny Tots" music series for children aged 3-6. $9.
  (313) 833-3700

COMEDY

- **THE SECOND CITY-DETROIT**
  "Computer Chips and Salsa" 8 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday; additional shows 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Tickets $12 to $19.
  (313) 965-2222
- **JUST FOR LAUGHS COMEDY CLUB**
  Totally Unrehearsed Theatre every Wednesday night, 65 E. Huron at Mill, Pontiac.
  (810) 334-6512
- **LONG BRANCH/MISS KITTY'S COMEDY**
  Mark Boyd and D. Cameron, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, April 12-Saturday, April 13; Ken Sevora and Mark England, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., 595 N. Lapeer Road, Oxford. $7.50 admission for Fridays with dinner an additional $5; $10 admission for Saturdays or $7.50 for dinner.
  (810) 628-6500
- **MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE**
  Former "Saturday Night Live" writer and performer A. Whitney Brown, Thursday, April 11-Saturday, April 13. $12, $10; 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor.
  (313) 996-9080
- **MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE**
  Jennie McNulty and Ross Ammicucci, Wednesday, April 10-Sunday, April 14. $6 weeknights, $12 weekends; Craig Shoemaker and Jim McLean, Wednesday, April 17-Sunday, April 21. $10 weeknights, $15 Friday and Saturday; Totally Unrehearsed Theatre hosts open mic night every Tuesday, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak.
  (810) 542-9900
- **JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB**
  Dan Wilson, J.R. Remick, and Joey Bielaska, 8:15 and 10:45 p.m. Thursday, April 11-Sunday, April 14; Joey Kola, Judy Croon, and Joey Bielaska, 8:15 and 10:45 p.m. Thursday, April 18-Sunday, April 21, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia.
  (313) 261-0555
- **JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S**
  Jaz Kaner, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, April 12-Saturday, April 13, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. $8 or $18.95 for dinner and show.
  (313) 584-8885
- **BANANA'S COMEDY CLUB**
  Tom Taylor, 9 p.m. Friday, April 12-Saturday, April 13, in Red Timbers restaurant, 40380 Grand River, Novi. $10.
  (810) 476-1940
- **GADZOOKS COMEDY CLUB**
  Malone and Nootcheez with Ken Dumm and Jeff Margerett, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., Friday, April 12-Saturday, April 13; Rich Purpura, Tim Costello and Jesse Lunde, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, April 19-Saturday, April 20, 9531 Highland Road, White Lake Township.
  (810) 698-2414
- **MAGIC BAG**
  Sketch comedy troupe, "Mr. Paulie's Fruit & Vegetable Co.", 8 p.m. Sunday, April 14, 22918 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Cover charge. 18 and older.
  (810) 544-3030

BOOKSTORE HAPPENINGS

- **BORDERS BOOK SHOP**
  Storyteller Beth Jacobowski, 11 a.m. Saturday, April 13; Amy Friedman, author of "Tell Me A Story," signs copies of "The Spectacular Gift," 2 p.m. Sunday, April 14; Nick Stellino, author of "Cucina Amore" discusses Italian cooking, 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 16; Marji Silk, international award-winning photographer, discusses her exhibit "Southwest Mystique," 7 p.m. Friday, April 19, 31150 Southfield Road, Birmingham.
  (810) 644-1515
- **SHAMAN DRUM BOOKSHOP**
  Author Barbara Ehrenreich reads from her book "The Snarling Citizen," 8 p.m. Thursday, April 11; Vietnam vet writer/poet W.D. Ehrhart reads from his poetry collection "Mostly Nothing Happens," 8 p.m. Friday, April 12, Janet Hart signs "New Voices in the Nation: Women and the Greek Resistance, 1941-1964," 4-6 p.m. Friday, April 19; and Poet Gerry LaFemina reads from his work 8 p.m. Friday, April 19; at the store, 315 S. State St., Ann Arbor. All programs are free.
  (313) 662-7407
- **BORDERS BOOKS AND MUSIC (NOVI)**
  The movie "Purple Rose of Cairo" and a discussion follows, 7 p.m. Thursday, April 11; Terry Brooks signs "The First King of Shannara" 1 p.m. Saturday, April 13, at the store, 43075 Crescent Boulevard, Novi. Free. All ages.
  (810) 347-0780
- **BORDERS BOOKS AND MUSIC (FARMINGTON HILLS)**
  The Steve Wood Quartet plays jazz 8-10 p.m. Friday, April 12; David and Jenny Heitler-Klevans known as "Two of a Kind" perform "7 Nights to Read" 11 a.m. Saturday, April 13; Heidi Hepler and Michele Ramo plays Brazilian Flamenco Jazz, 3-5 p.m. Sunday, April 14; Folk ... Chuck Mulka, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 17, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Free. All ages.
  (810) 737-0110

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

- **CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE**
  "What Makes Music?" exhibit continues to May 12, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. Hours 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday & Saturday; 1-5 p.m. Sunday. $5 for adults' $4 for children 3-17 and senior citizens 65 and older.
  (810) 645-3200
- **ANN ARBOR HANDS-ON**
  "Psychology, Understanding Ourselves, Understanding Each Other," new traveling exhibit developed by the American Psychological Association in collaboration with the Ontario Science Center, through May 12; Workshops include: "Aerodynamics" 1:30-3:30 p.m. Sunday, April 14, $12, "Ukrainian Egg Decorating, 1:30-3:30 p.m. Sunday, April 14, $15 per family, "Optics" 4:30-6:30 p.m. Monday, April 15, $12, 219 E. Huron St., Ann Arbor.
  (313) 995-5439
- **DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER**
  "Titanica," an IMAX film about the Canadian-American-Russian expedition team set out to explore the Titanic, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays indefinitely; "Destiny in Space," another IMAX film, Tuesdays and Thursdays indefinitely, Detroit Science Center in the University Cultural Center, 5020 John R St., Detroit. Museum admission $6.50 for adults; $4.50 for students and senior citizens, includes film.
  (313) 577-8400

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

POPULAR MUSIC

- **ACOUSTIC JUNCTION**
  With Drive Train, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, April 13, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. $8 in advance; $10 at the door. 19 and older.
  (313) 996-8555
- **THE ALLIGATORS**
  9 p.m. Wednesday, April 17, Murdock's, 2086 Crooks Road, Rochester. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues)
  (810) 852-0550
- **BAKED POTATO**
  9 p.m. Thursday, April 18, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. $3. 18 and older. (funk)
  (313) 485-5050
- **THE BAND**
  With John Wesley Harding, 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 17, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. $18.50 in advance. All ages. (rock)
  (313) 833-9700
- **JOHNNIE BASSETT AND THE BLUES INSURGENTS**
  9 p.m. Wednesday, April 17, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues)
  (810) 543-0917
- **BENNY AND THE JETS**
  With Mississippi Slick Rick, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 11, The Office Bar, 15414 Telegraph Road, north of Five Mile Road, Redford.
  (313) 730-1627
- **BIG DAVE AND THE ULTRASONICS**
  9 p.m. Saturday, April 13, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older.
  (313) 996-2748
- **BLACK MARKET**
  9 p.m. Thursday, April 18, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (reggae)
  (810) 543-0917
- **BLUE CAT**
  10 p.m. Saturday, April 13, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older. (blues)
  (810) 349-9110
- **BLUE ROSE**
  9 p.m. Friday, April 12, Old Woodward Grill, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues)
  (810) 335-8100
- **BOTFLY**
  With Knee Deep Shag, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 18, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. $5. 19 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, April 19, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. $4. 18 and older. (funk)
  (313) 996-8555/(313) 385-5050
- **BROTHER RABBIT**
  With Daphne Blue, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 11, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. $4. 19 and older.
  (313) 996-8555
- **THE BUCKET**
  9 p.m. Thursday, April 11, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older; With Yab Yum, 9 p.m. Friday, April 12, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. $5. 19 and older. (funk)
  (313) 996-2748/(313) 996-8555
- **BUGS BEDDOW BAND**
  8 p.m. Friday, April 12, Blue Goose, 28911 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. Cover charge. 21 and older; 8 p.m. Friday, April 19, Tap Room, 201 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues)
  (810) 294-0690/(313) 482-5320
- **SUSAN CALLOWAY**
  10 p.m. Saturday, April 13, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (singer/songwriter)
  (810) 332-HOWL
- **CHISEL BROS. WITH THORNETTA DAVIS**
  9 p.m. Friday, April 19, Murdock's, 2086 Crooks Road, Rochester. Cover charge. 21 and older. (R&B)
  (810) 852-0550
- **CITY HEAT**
  8 p.m. Saturday, April 13, Old Woodward Grill, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues)
  (810) 642-9400
- **SAL D'AGNILLO**
  10 p.m. Friday, April 12, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Saturday, April 13, Mount Chalet, 4715 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (singer/songwriter)
  (810) 332-HOWL/(810) 549-2929
- **DASH RIP ROCK**
  8 p.m. Friday, April 12, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (rock)
  (313) 833-POOL
- **DETROIT MUSICIANS ALLIANCE SHOWCASE**
  With Trains Can't Stop, Red September, Ernie Douglas and Twitch, 8 p.m. Saturday, April 13, Blue Rose, 16117 Mack Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older; With Ernie Douglas, Passenger to Nowhere, St. Mark Christopher, Bob Gentry, Daryl Kenny, Leonardo, and "Bob the singing bass player," 9 p.m. Thursday, April 18, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (variety)
  (313) 882-9700/ (313) 832-2355
- **DISHWALLA**
  With The Refreshments and Lounge Flounder, 8 p.m. Saturday, April 13, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. $6 in advance. 18 and older. (alternative rock)
  (313) 961-MELT
- **EARTHFEST FUNDRAISER**
  With The Schugars, Sugar Tree and Lisa Waterbury, 9 p.m. Friday, April 19, Lili's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck. Cover charge. 21 and older. (alternative rock)
  (313) 875-6555
- **FAT CAT AND THE MAGIC HAT COMPANY**
  Plays a benefit for the family of James Groppi who was murdered at Astro Lanes, 32388 John R, Madison Heights, in mid-January, 3-5:30 p.m. Sunday, April 14, at the bowling alley. Free but donations will be accepted. All ages. (rock)
  (810) 585-3132
- **FIRST LIGHT**
  9 p.m. Friday, April 12, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older.
  (313) 996-2748
- **FLYSWATTER**
  9 p.m. Thursday, April 11, 3-D, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (alternative rock)
  (810) 589-3344

All-star line-up: *Golden Smog – which boasts members of Soul Asylum, the Jayhawks, Wilco, and Run Westy Run – comes to the Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit, at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 11. Tickets are $11 in advance for the 18 and older show. For more information, call 833-9700 or (810) 645-6666.*

Mega-hit: *"Cats," the award-winning musical by Andrew Lloyd Webber, based on T.s. Eliot's whimsical and unconvetional poetry from "Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats," opens Friday, April 12 and continues through April 21 at the Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets $10-$37.50, call (810) 433-1515.*