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HOUSE, 1520 Broadway, Detroit, 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5-Saturday, Dec. 7, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12-Friday, Dec. 13, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15, 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20-Saturday, Dec. 21, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22, \$13-\$35; matinee half price for children and seniors, \$6.50. (313) 833-3700

GEM THEATRE
 "The All Night Strutt Holiday Show," through Tuesday, Dec. 31, at the theater, 58 E. Columbia (across the street from the State and Fox theaters), Detroit, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday (\$23), 7:30 p.m. Thursday (\$23), 7:30 p.m. Friday (\$28), 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday (\$28), and 2 p.m. Sunday (\$23) and 6 p.m. Sunday (\$19). Group discounts available. New Year's Eve performances: 7 p.m. \$45; and 10 p.m. \$60. Includes a champagne toast and dancing afterward. (313) 963-9800

MASONIC TEMPLE
 "Phantom of the Opera," through Jan. 7, Masonic Temple, 500 Temple, Detroit, 8 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday evenings; 7:30 p.m. Sunday evenings; and 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday matinees. \$20-\$85. (313) 832-2232 (313) 871-1127

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE
 "A Christmas Carol," through Sunday, Dec. 29, at the theater, Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Westland and Squirrel boulevards, Rochester, \$19-\$29.50. 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5; 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6; 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8; 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10; 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 11; 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12; 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14; 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15; 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18; 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19; 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20; 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22; 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 25; 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26; 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28; and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 29. (810) 377-0100

PURPLE ROSE THEATRE COMPANY
 "Apartment 3A," by Jeff Daniels, through Saturday, Dec. 21, at the Garage Theater, 137 Park St., Chelsea, 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sundays, and additional matinee performances at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18, and Saturday, Dec. 21. \$15-\$22. (313) 475-7902

COLLEGE
EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY THEATRE
 "The Play Called Noah's Flood," 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6-Saturday, Dec. 7. "MU's Rock Theater," Ypsilanti, \$12-Fridays and Saturdays; \$10-matinee: \$5 for children. (313) 487-1221

UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT MERCY THEATRE COMPANY
 "Below the Belt," through Sunday, Dec. 8, Earl D.A. Smith Studio Theater, University of Detroit-Mercy campus, Six Mile and Livernois roads, Detroit. Performances 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, with Sunday matinee at 2 p.m. \$10; \$8 students, seniors, UDM employees, alumni; Free, UDM students free with ID. Thursday and Sunday performances with free admission at the theater. (313) 993-1130

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE AND DRAMA
 "Sherlock Holmes," 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5-Saturday, Dec. 7, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8. "Power Center," 121 Fletcher, Ann Arbor, \$18, \$14 reserved seating; \$7 students with ID. (313) 764-0450

COMMUNITY THEATRE
AVON PLATHEUS
 "Forever Christmas III - Home for the Holidays," Saturday, Dec. 7-Sunday, Dec. 8, Friday, Dec. 13-Saturday, Dec. 15, Thursday, Dec. 19-Saturday, Dec. 21, at the playhouse, 1185 Washington Road (at Tenen Road), 1 1/4 miles east of Rochester Road, Rochester Hills, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays; \$11 adults; with discounts for students, seniors, and groups. (810) 608-9077

DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE
 "The Stillborn Lover," through Tuesday, Dec. 31, at the theater, 13503 Woodward, Detroit, 8:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturday; 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday. \$14. (313) 868-1347

HILBERY THEATRE
 "Tartuffe" by Moliere, through Thursday, Feb. 1, at the theater, Wayne State University campus, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit. It runs in rotating repertory with Shakespeare's "A Taming of the Shrew" (which closes Dec. 14). "The Merry Wives of Windsor," 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, and Sundays; 8 p.m. Saturdays; 2 p.m. Sundays; 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18, \$10-\$23; discounts for seniors, students and groups. Special New Year's Eve shows 7 p.m. (\$35 including hors d'oeuvres

and champagne), and 10 p.m. (\$50 including hors d'oeuvres, champagne and breakfast). (810) 788-2900

NO PRODUCTIONS
 "Love Letters," Friday, Dec. 6-Sunday, Dec. 8, and Friday, Dec. 13-Sunday, Dec. 15. Theburgh, Civic Center Drive and Berg Road, Southfield, \$7 seniors and children; \$8 general admission. (810) 354-5362

YOUTH
HFDC'S PERFORMING ARTS
 "Pinocchio," 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, Adray Auditorium of the Mackenzie Fine Arts Center at Henry Ford Community College, 2500 E. River Road, Dearborn, \$6 children 12 and younger; \$7 faculty, staff and students; \$8 adults. (313) 845-9900

MARQUIS THEATRE
 "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," through Monday, Jan. 27, at the theater, 135 E. Main St., Northville, \$6.50. Recommended for children older than 3 1/2 years old. Showtimes: 2 p.m. Saturdays, Dec. 7, 14, 21, 28, and Jan. 4, 11, 18, and 25; 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, Jan. 5, 12, 19, and 26; 2:30 p.m. Dec. 26-27 and 30-31, and Jan. 2, 3. (810) 958-8110

THE NOVI THEATRE CHILDREN'S ANNEX
 "The Nutcracker," a two-act play, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15. The Novi Theatre, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi, \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door, adults; \$6 in advance, \$7 for seniors, children and groups. (810) 348-6128

PAPER BAG PRODUCTIONS
 "Alice in Wonderland," Saturdays and Sundays through Dec. 22, Players Club, 3321 E. Jefferson, Detroit, Saturdays, lunch begins at noon with the show at 1 p.m.; Sundays, lunch at 1 p.m. and show at 2 p.m. \$7 includes lunch. Group rates for 20 or more people. 50 cent discount for anyone who brings in a new or in-good-condition children's book for Focus House. (810) 662-8118

YOUTH THEATRE
 "Cinderella," as part of the "Youtheatre's 'Wiggle Club' season for children aged 3-11, and 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15, Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit, \$7 in advance; \$9 at the door. (313) 863-7663

WHISTLE STOP PLAYERS
 Presents a 50-minute production featuring vignettes from "The Shoemaker and the Elves" by the Brothers Grimm, "A Merry Christmas" from "Little Women," and "Little Cossie and Father Christmas" from "Les Miserables," 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6-Saturday, Dec. 7, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7-Sunday, Dec. 8, at the new location, East Middle School, 1042 S. Mill, Plymouth, \$4. (313) 416-4841

WILD SWAN THEATRE
 "Charlotte's Web," 2:30 p.m. Dec. 7-8, 14-15, 21, 27-29, and Jan. 2-4, and 11:30 a.m. Dec. 7, 14, 21, 28, and Jan. 4, at the Anderson Center Theater at Henry Ford Museum, 20900 Oakwood Boulevard (at Village Road), Dearborn, \$6; additional charge for admission to the museum. (313) 271-1620, ext. 383

SPECIAL EVENTS
STOMP
 Eight-member percussion group performs through Sunday, Dec. 15, at the Fisher Theatre, Fisher Building, Detroit, 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays, 2 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays. \$22.50-\$35. (313) 872-1000

FAMILY EVENTS
CHRISTMAS READINGS
 Bill Jerome, executive editor of The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers' sister newspaper Homestead Newspapers, with staff writers Carol Workens and Robert Jackson, read Christmas stories, 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, Brickcase Christmas Store, 21141 Old Novi Road (north of Eight Mile Road, east of Novi Road), Northville, (810) 348-2500

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHRISTMAS
 "It's a Cowboy Dave Christmas: The Great Reindeer Round-Up," 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit, \$7-\$27. (313) 833-3700

EASTERN MICHIGAN SENIOR AND ORCHESTRA
 10 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, Pease Auditorium, West Forest at College Place, Eastern Michigan University, 4817-2255

FRANKLIN VILLAGE HOLLY DAY
 Featuring ice sculptures, performance by The Merry Marching Band, hand-drawn carousel, visit from Santa, carolers, horse-drawn carriage tours, fire station open house, complimentary refreshments, village-wide lighting ceremony, 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, through out Franklin Village. (810) 626-6589

NOEL NIGHT
 Featuring carols, art, Santa, culture and carriage rides, 4-8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, in the University Cultural Center, Wayne State University campus, Detroit, (313) 577-5088

THE SPOON MAN
 Jimmy Krawls, "The Spoon Man," performs original comedy with audience interaction, as part of the Kids Concert series, 1:30-2:15 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7,

room 115 of the Southfield Parks and Recreation Building, 26000 Evergreen, Southfield, \$3.25; \$2.50 for groups of 10 or more. (810) 424-9039

LIGHT SHOWS
DETROIT ZOO
 "Wild Lights" walking tour features more than 50 animal creations, 5:30-8 p.m. through Monday, Dec. 30 (except Christmas Eve and Christmas day), at the zoo, Ten Mile Road and Woodward Avenue (at 169th), Royal Oak, \$3 adults; \$1.50 for children; free for children younger than 2. Detroit Zoological Society members, \$2 adults; \$1 children. Tickets are free. (810) 543-5835

DOMINO'S FARMS
 "Christmas Light Display," 15-minute drive-through display with more than 900,000 lights, 6-10 p.m. daily through Dec. 31, at the complex, Enchanted Road, off Plymouth Road about 1/2 mile east of US-23, \$5 donation weekdays; \$7 Fridays-Sundays. (313) 668-1800

CLASSICAL
BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
 "The Nutcracker" ballet, with conductor Felix Rissick and artistic director Mary C. Geiger, 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7-Sunday, Dec. 8, West Bloomfield High School Auditorium, 4925 Oakdale Lake Road, West Bloomfield, \$15 for adults; \$12 students. (810) 645-8850

BIRMINGHAM CONCERT BAND
 With the Oakland Singers Encore, an honor singing group of Oakland county high school students, perform a holiday concert, 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, Sanctuary of the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, 1800 W. Maple Rd., Eastfield, Birmingham. Free but donations to the band's scholarship fund are appreciated. (810) 644-0410

CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY OF DETROIT
 Pianist Adwaginn Pratt, 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11, Orchestra Hall, 3177 Woodward Ave., Detroit, \$5-\$35. (313) 833-3700

CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY OF DETROIT
 Perform "Those Fabulous Lochner Boys," 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13, Bollen Art Center, 5980 Rochester Road, Troy, (810) 952-5207

CRANBROOK MUSIC GUILD
 The Madrigal Chorus of Southfield will present their Chamber Ensemble 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10, Cranbrook House, Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills, (810) 763-6555

CONGREGATIONAL CHORUS
 Featuring church and instrumental music, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10, Holy Trinity Student Chapel, 511 W. Forest, Ypsilanti, Free. (313) 487-2255

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
 "A Baroque Holiday Concert," with Conductor and violinist John Brown, 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5-Friday, Dec. 6, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit, \$15-\$55. (313) 833-3700

GREAT LAKES QUARTET
 "The Madrigal Chorus," 8 p.m. as part of the Fair Lane Music Guild, Henry Ford Estate, University of Michigan - Dearborn campus, 4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn, (313) 993-5590

HOLIDAY MESSIAH
 With the UMMS Choral Union and Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra, 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University, Ann Arbor, \$8-\$18. (800) 221-1229

LYRIC CHAMBER ENSEMBLE
 "An Old-Fashioned Christmas," with guest organist David Wagner of classic rock station WQRS, 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, Paul on the Lake Church, Lakeshore Drive, Grosse Pointe, \$18 adults; \$15 students and 17-21 and seniors 60 and older; \$5 children 16 and younger. (810) 357-1117

JULIANE MARKAVITCH
 Classical pianist performs 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, University Lutheran Chapel, 1511 Washenaw, Ann Arbor, (313) 745-0764

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
 "The Nutcracker Ballet," 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13, and 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14-Sunday, Dec. 15, Plymouth-Salem High School, 46181 Joy Road, Canton, \$15 adults, seniors and college students; \$8 children. (313) 455-2132

RACHMANINOV SYMPHONY
 "Messiah," 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13-Saturday, Dec. 14, St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, East Jefferson at St. Antoine, Detroit, \$12 in advance; \$15 at the door. (313) 341-3468

ROYAL OAK COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA
 "Holiday Pops" concert, 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, Kimball High School, 1500 Lexington, Royal Oak, \$15 family; \$7 adults; \$5 students/seniors. In advance at Royal Music Center, 512 N. Main St., Royal Oak, (810) 548-4894

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN BRASS ENSEMBLE RECITAL
 Featuring students Peter Witte, Deric Milligan, and Mitch Williams, performs music by Tomasi, Husa, Gabrieli, Copeland and Grieg, 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8, McIntosh Theatre, School of Music, Moore Building, 1100 Baile Dr., University of Michigan north campus, Ann Arbor, Free. (313) 764-0594

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN CHAMBER PLAYERS
 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, recital hall in School of Music, Moore Building, 1100 Baile Dr., University of Michigan north campus, Ann Arbor, Free. (313) 764-0594

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE
 Featuring "Steve Reich's Drumming," 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, McIntosh Theatre, School of Music, Moore Building, 1100 Baile Dr., University of Michigan north campus, Ann Arbor, Free. (313) 764-0594

ROYAL OAK AND A WOMAN'S PREROGATIVE
 Bookstore and Cafe in Ferndale, (810) 548-3872

EASTERN MICHIGAN SYMPHONY WOMEN'S CHORUS
 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, Holy Trinity Student Chapel, 511 W. Forest, Ypsilanti, Free. (313) 487-2255

EMMANUEL
 Featuring Sandi Potty, Michael W. Smith, Twila Paris, Ray Boltz, Anointed, City Cross, Susan Ashton, Avalon, Chris Willis, Larnell Harris, as part of the "Young Messiah Tour," 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lower Road), Auburn Hills, \$13.50-\$22.50. (810) 377-0100

FORT STREET CHORALE
 With the Chamber Orchestra performs Handel's "Messiah," 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6-Saturday, Dec. 7, and 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, at Fort Street Presbyterian Church, 631 W. Fort, Detroit, \$12, with group rates available. (313) 961-4533

THE ORBURNERS
 A capella male chorus, 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13, as part of the Detroit Chamber Winds' Nightnotes program, Haggan World of Rugs, 850 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham, \$18. (810) 382-9323

HENRY FORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE WINTER CHORAL CONCERT
 With the HFCC Concert Choir, Show Choir, and Vocal Soloists, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 11, Adray Auditorium, MacKenzie Fine Arts Center, at the college, Farmington Hills, (313) 645-6474

WINTER NIGHT CABARET
 Featuring University of Michigan students, 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 9, Kervynwood Concert House, Ann Arbor, (313) 790-2099

LARRY NOZDERO ORCHESTRA
 Performers and hosts ballroom dancing 7:30 p.m. Sundays, Bedford Inn, 28000 Grand River, Farmington Hills, (810) 474-4800

UPSTAGED PRODUCTIONS
 Singa showtimes, 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13, Borders Books and Music, 5601 Mercury Dr., Dearborn, Free. (313) 271-4441

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AVON PLAYERS
 Audition for "The Nerd," 6-10 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, and 7-10 p.m. Monday, Dec. 9, at the playhouse, 1185 Washington Road (at Tenen Road), 1 1/4 miles east of Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. Script is available at the second floor information counter of the Rochester Public Library (not for check out). Performances are Jan. 24-26, Jan. 31-Feb. 2, and Feb. 6-8. (810) 641-8401

NANCY GURWIN PRODUCTIONS
 Auditions for the musical "Annie" at the Avon Community Center-West Bloomfield branch, 6600 W. Maple, Glis, 6-15, should prepare to sing, dance and script read beginning at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10. Adult auditions start at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 11, with callbacks for both age groups at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12. Anyone can audition. (810) 988-7032 or (810) 354-0545.

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 Performs its Christmas program with pianist Fontaine Laing, the Congregational Ringers and organist, 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12, Congregational Church of Birmingham, 600 Cranbrook at Woodward Avenue, Birmingham, (810) 647-8329

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 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10, Cranbrook House, 380 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills, (810) 751-2435

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 "Christmas Favorites," 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 8, Dearborn High School Auditorium, 19501 Outer Dr., Dearborn, \$5 adults; Free for children younger than 12. (313) 943-2359

DETROIT CONCERT CHORUS
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DETROIT TOGETHER MEN'S CHORUS
 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, Millennium Theatre Center, 15600 J.L. Hudson Dr., Southfield; 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12, Fellowship Inn, 2000 Oakwood Avenue, Detroit; 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13, Pinescroft (at Dryden Avenue, south of 169th, west of Woodward Avenue), Ferndale, \$12 in advance at Chosen Books in

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