

8 days a week

A Guide to entertainment in the Metro Detroit area

THEATER

AVENUE PRODUCTIONS/ATTIC THEATRE

"A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline," featuring Susan Arnold as "Patsy" singing 20 of Cline's most memorable songs with a five-piece band, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18, 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20, and Sunday, Dec. 28; 7:30 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays through January; 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5; Saturday, Feb. 7, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12; Saturday, Feb. 14, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Group rates available. \$22 Thursdays and Sundays, \$27 Fridays and Saturdays, Colangelo's Sunday brunch package \$33; Alibi Abbracci dinner packages \$35 and \$39. (248) 335-8101

CAPITOL THEATRE

"A Christmas Carol - The Musical," 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19-Sunday, Dec. 21, at the theater, 121 University Ave. West., Windsor, Ontario, Canada. \$12, buy 10 and get one free. Group rates available. "Holiday Nights on the Town," \$25-\$42, includes tax, tip and theater tickets and pre-theater lunch or dinner at one of 10 downtown Windsor restaurants. (All prices Canadian) (519) 253-8065 or capitoltheatre.net or http://www.mnsl.net/~capitol

DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE

"In the Sweet Bye and Bye," a comedy by Donald Driver, through Wednesday, Dec. 31, at the theater, 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit, 8:30 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays. \$15, \$40 for season subscription. (313) 868-1347

FISHER THEATRE

"Les Miserables," through Sunday, Jan. 4, Fisher Theatre in the Fisher Building, Detroit, 8 p.m. Saturdays, 7:30 p.m. Sundays, 2 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, and special holiday performance 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31. No performances Wednesday, Dec. 24, or Thursday, Jan. 1. \$15-\$58. (248) 645-6666/(313) 871-1132

JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE

"Shiva Queen," by Rebecca Rittlieb, through Dec. 31 in the Aaron DeRoy Studio Theatre, Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, and Sunday, 8 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, \$13-\$23, discounts available for seniors ages 65 and older, and students. New Year's Eve performances 7 p.m. (New Year's Eve champagne and hors d'oeuvres served, \$50 includes champagne, hors d'oeuvres and breakfast). (248) 788-2900

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE

"A Christmas Carol," 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursday and 2 p.m. Wednesdays. (523) 8 p.m. Fridays (\$27-\$50), 2 p.m. Saturdays (\$23), 6 p.m. Saturdays and 8 p.m. Saturdays (\$33-\$50), 2 p.m. Sundays (\$23), and 6:30 p.m. Sundays (\$27-\$50) through Sunday, Dec. 28, at the theater, Wilson Hall at Oakland University (Watson Boulevard and Adams Road), Rochester. Student, senior and group discounts available. (248) 377-3300

THE PURPLE ROSE THEATRE COMPANY

"Escapade in da Moonlight," a comedy about a family's deer hunting trip by Jeff Daniels, 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, at the Garage Theatre, 137 Park St., Chelsea. \$20-\$25. (734) 475-7902

COMMUNITY THEATRE

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE

An evening of holiday one acts including "The Long Christmas Dinner" and "The Sheep Thief," 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18-Saturday, Dec. 20, and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21, at the playhouse, 38840 W. Six Mile Road (and I-75), Livonia. \$8, not including bread bowl with soup and cider; group rates available. Seating limited to 50. (734) 464-6302

VILLAGE PLAYERS

"Sweet and Hot," a musical review of music by Harold Arlen, 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19-Saturday, Dec. 20, at the theatre, 751 Westwood St. (at Woodward Avenue, south of Maple Road), Birmingham. \$14, \$12 students. (248) 644-9667

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

CLARENCEVILLE YOUTH THEATRE

A group of 50 actors and singers, formerly known as the Redwood Youth Theatre, presents "The Christmas Wish," a mini-musical and two one-acts (including the Hanukkah scene from "The Diary of Anne Frank"), 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, Clarenceville High School Auditorium, 20155 Middlebelt Road (between Seven and Eight Mile Roads), Livonia. \$5. (313) 535-8902

MARQUIS THEATRE

"Aladdin," 2:30 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, Dec. 20-21, 27-28, and Jan. 3-4, and 2:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 28, Monday, Dec. 29, Tuesday, Dec. 30-Wednesday, Dec. 31, and Friday, Jan. 2, at the theatre, 135 E. Main St., Northville. \$5.00, (248) 349-8110

WILD SWAN THEATRE COMPANY

"The Town Mouse and The Country Mouse," Saturday, Dec. 20-Sunday,



You Beautiful Doll: The Holiday Doll Show 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21 at Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer St., Plymouth features dealers, collectors, doll artists and hobbyists showing and selling new, used, antique and collectible dolls of all kinds. There will also be doll making supplies, doll clothes and furniture. In addition to dolls there were Teddy Bears and stuffed animals along with dollhouse supplies and miniatures. Admission is \$4 adults, children ages 4-12, call (313) 455-2110, or its website http://www.ameritech.net/users/rppromo/doll-show.html

Dec. 21, Saturday, Dec. 27-Sunday, Dec. 28, and Friday, Jan. 2-Sunday, Jan. 4, Henry Ford Museum's Anderson Center Theater, 20900 Oakwood Boulevard, Dearborn. (313) 271-1620

SPECIAL EVENTS

"SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS"

With entertainment by the Rising Star Singers, 6:30-10 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21, Domino's Farms, 24 Frank Lloyd Wright, Ann Arbor. (734) 930-3957

SPORTS CARD, COMIC AND COLLECTIBLES SHOW

10 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, and 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21, Roseville Towne Center, 12 Mile and Grotto, Roseville. Free. (248) 557-1529

"STRANGLEMANIA LIVE!"

Wrestling featuring a match between rappers Insane Clown Posse (ICP) and The Chicken Boys (Confederate Fred and Al Labama) inside a 15-foot-high steel cage of horrors, a Ladies Thumbtack Death Match between Angel and Lady Vendetta, a "Three-Way" King of the Hardcore's Death Match" with Ian Rotten versus Mod Man Pondo versus Ox Harley, a "Double Tables Death Match" with Skull Guts and "Dirty" Don Montoya, and a 20-man "Over the Top" battle royal, 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$15. All ages. (313) 961-1617

TOTS FOR TOTS BENEFIT PARTY

Hosted by WFLM's Johnny and the Morning Crew, "name that holiday tune," and a seafood and roast beef buffet, 4-6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19, Tremors, Holiday Inn Livonia, 17123 Laurel Park Dr., Livonia. Everyone who donated a new, unopened wrapped toy will receive free admission to Tremors, complimentary VIP passes to the club, and entrance into the Holiday Inn's Holiday room giveaway. 21 and older. (734) 402-2196

TRADITIONAL POLISH CHRISTMAS TREE

display 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, through Thursday, Jan. 1, American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple Road (at Dequindre Road), Troy. (248) 689-3630

"WORD HOLIDAY BALL"

17:50 Frisco, Roseville, \$18 in advance, \$20 at the door, benefits The Rainbow Connection. 18 and older. (810) 778-8404

FAMILY EVENTS

DETROIT 200'S "WILD LIGHTS"

Light show featuring over 50 animated animal displays along a half-mile trail, 5:30-8 p.m. through Tuesday, Dec. 30 (except Christmas and Christmas Eve), at the zoo, 1-696 and Woodward Avenue, Royal Oak. \$3 adults, \$2 children, 2-12, free for children younger than 2. DZS members' admission, \$2 adults, \$1.50 children. 2-12, (248) 541-5935/(248) 541-5717

LIGHTS

Walk-through winter wonderland features 26 animated light displays, the more than one million lights are presented by the Henry Ford Health System, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Sundays-Thursdays, until 10:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, through Sunday, Dec. 28, in B.A.S.F. Waterfront Park, 3625 Biddle Ave. (south of Eureka), Wyandotte. \$2-\$5, \$2 seniors, \$1 for children ages four to 15. Area service organizations and nonprofits staff the event as volunteers and will receive a portion of the proceeds. (734) 246-4505/282-6233 or its website http://www.wyandotte.net/lightest

MEALS WITH SANTA

Lunch with Santa, and special guest Ken Dumm, comedian/magician, 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, Mr. B's Roadhouse, 595 N. Lapeer Road (M-24), Oxford. Kids will visit with Santa then he'll judge the coloring contest. \$5.95 children, \$7.95 adults; breakfast with Santa, Sunday, Dec. 21, at the roadhouse. Kids will have breakfast, visit with Santa and participate in a coloring session with Santa. \$4.95 children, \$4.95 adults. (248) 628-6500

YPSILANTI FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Featuring miniature train rides and horse-drawn wagon rides, 6-10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19-Sunday, Dec. 21, Wednesday, Dec. 24-Thursday, Dec. 25, 6 p.m.-midnight Wednesday, Dec. 21, Riverside Park along the Huron River, Ypsilanti's Historic Depot Town. Donations accepted. (734) 483-4444 or http://www.ypsi.org

CLASSICAL

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Performing J. Strauss Jr.'s "Clear Track Galop (Brahm's)," Bernstein's "Tonight," and Wagner's "All I Ask of You," with the Keith Saxon Sextet performing for dancing onstage after the concert, as "A Singing, Dancing Gala for 1998," 9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$25-\$65 includes party hats and noisemakers. (313) 833-3700

TERRY FARMER

Formerly of the pop/rock bands Let's Talk About Girls and The Beat Tones, Farmer performs a concert of classical guitar music, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 23, Salem United Church of Christ, 33424 Oakland, Farmington. Free. All ages. (248) 474-6880

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

"Family Holiday Spectacular," 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19, and 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21, Chrysler Theatre, Cleary International Centre, 201 Riverside Dr. W., Ontario, Canada. (800) 387-9181

RENAISSANCE

OWAIN PRYDE

8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18, O'Mara's, 2555 W. 12 Mile Road, Berkley. Cover charge, 21 and older. (248) 399-0750

POPSWING

ATOMIC FIREBALLS

9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge, 21 and older. (419) 248

335-8100

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

With Roberto Flack, Al Jarreau, Melissa Manchester, Jeffrey Osborne, and Perfected Praise Choir of Marvin Winans, as part of "The Colors of Christmas" concert, 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19-Saturday, Dec. 20, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$21-\$75. (313) 833-3700

SHEILA LANDIS

With Rick Matle, 10 p.m.-1 a.m. Friday, Dec. 19, Tuscan Grill, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages; with Rick Matle, 10 p.m.-1 a.m. Friday, Dec. 26, Jimmy's, 123 Kenilworth, Grosse Pointe Farms. Cover charge, 21 and older. (248) 652-1600/(313) 886-8101

LARVAL

With Poignant Plecostemus, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5, 19 and older, (event jazz) (734) 996-8555

PHIL LASLEY TRIO

9 p.m.-1 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Edna's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (tearophones, piano, bass, tri.) (248) 645-2150

M.A.S. (MUTUAL ADMIRATION SOCIETY)

9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19-Saturday, Dec. 20, D.I. Harrington Chop House, 2086 Crooks Road (at M-59), Rochester Hills. Cover charge, 21 and older. (Jazz) (248) 852-0550

SHAHIDA NURALLAH AND FRIENDS

9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$40, \$75 per couple. (734) 662-8310

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JIM WYSE'S JAZZ QUINTET

8-11 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21, Sunrise Sunset Saloon, 15222 Charlevoix, Grosse Pointe Park. Free. 21 and older. (313) 822-8080

ALEXANDER ZONIC

9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19-Saturday, Dec. 20, and Friday, Dec. 26-Saturday, Dec. 27, The Chi Express, 630 Woodward Ave. (two blocks north of Jefferson Avenue), Detroit. \$7.50, 21 and older; 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21, J.D.'s Club 2001, 31 N. Walnut, Mount Clemens. Cover charge. All ages. (313) 963-8424/(810) 485-5154

WORLD MUSIC

BLACK MARKET

9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (reggae) (248) 543-4300

UNUSUAL

10 p.m.-2 a.m. Friday, Dec. 19, Woody's Diner, 260 Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (reggae)

Friday, Dec. 19, St. Fabian Church,

32200 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington. Free. All ages. (248) 681-1483

RENAISSANCE VOICES

Holiday concert features "Festival of Lessons and Carols" service which is performed annually at King's College in Cambridge, England, as well as "Ceremony of Carols" by Benjamin Britten, 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21, Christ Episcopal Church, 120 N. Military (at Cherry Hill Road), Dearborn. \$8, \$5 for students and seniors. (313) 317-6566

THE SALVATION ARMY

"1997 Festival of Carols," 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, Chrysler Theatre, Cleary International Centre, 201 Riverside Dr. W., Windsor, Ontario. (800) 387-9181

HIGHLAND PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

The Wonders of His Love, Highland Park Baptist Church Chancel Choir and guest concert pianist Michael Falciotto, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20; 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21, 28600 Lahser Road, Southfield. Tickets complimentary, but recommended, call (248) 357-5464.

JAZZ

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GROOVE COLLECTIVE

With JHQ, 9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$20 in advance, \$25 day of show, 18 and older. (acid jazz) (313) 833-9700

KODJ KODJ

7-11 p.m. Saturdays in December, O'Mara's, 2555 W. 12 Mile Road, Berkley. Free. 21 and older. (248) 399-6750

KATHY KOSINS

7:30-10:30 p.m. Wednesdays (except Dec. 24) through Dec. 30, beginning at 9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31 at the Oakland Grill, 32832 Woodward Ave. (south of 14 Mile Road), Royal Oak. With her vocal, piano, bass trio, 8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 26, Edison's, 220 Merrill, Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 549-7700/(248) 645-2150

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MICHAEL O'BRIEN AND FRIENDS

9:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21, Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road (between Woodward Avenue and Southfield Road), Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (Acoustic Irish) (248) 642-1135

ODD ENOUGH

With The Lash as part of customer appreciation day, 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19, Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road (between Woodward Avenue and Southfield Road), Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (Irish) (248) 642-1135

STONE CIRCLE

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