

THE WEEKEND

FRIDAY



"Armageddon" starring Liv Tyler and Ben Affleck, who recently won an Oscar for "Good Will Hunting," continues at area theaters.

SATURDAY

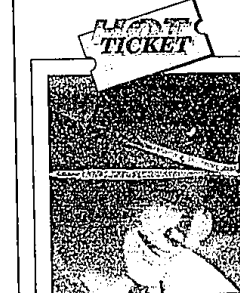


Chumbawamba with special guest Sister Soleil perform at 8 p.m. Meadow Brook Music Festival at Oakland University in Rochester. Call (248) 377-0100 or visit <http://www.palacet.net> for more information.

SUNDAY



The Canton-based band The Articles perform as part of "Moonstomp III" with Easy Big Fella and the Robustos, 8:30 p.m. at the Magic Stick in the Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets are \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door for the all-ages show. Call (313) 833-9700 for more information.



Hot Tix: The Michigan TasteFest runs through Sunday, July 5, in the New Center Area of Detroit and features a variety of entertainment, including country singer Michael Peterson at 7 p.m. Saturday, July 4, and a taste of metro Detroit's finest restaurants. For more information, call (313) 872-0188 or visit <http://comnet.org/taste-fest>. All concerts are free.

GIRL POWER

Local women show their stuff at this year's Lilith Fair

Blanketed by sunlight and engulfed by sticky heat, Lori Amey intently watched last year's Lilith Fair performers at Pine Knob and vowed that someday she would be a part of the all-women music festival.

"I didn't mean this summer," Amey said buoyantly. "It's weird how things happen."

Amey, a former Livonia resident now living in Commerce Township, along with Detroit R&B/blues singer Thornetta Davis and Windsor singer-songwriter Julie Kryk were chosen to open the Lilith Fair shows at 3:30 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, July 6-8, at Pine Knob Music Theatre in Independence Township.

The three women were among

78 females who submitted tapes and biographical information to Ritual Inc. in Detroit in hopes of earning the coveted Lilith Fair spot. Maria Cukr, a promoter for Ritual, said the decision was a lot harder than she thought.

"I went into it thinking, 'I'm sure there will be a lot who are OK and a few that would really stand out.' But as they performed, it got harder and harder with each person," Cukr said.

"Julie Kryk, she's really young and Jewel-like. Thornetta, is well, fabulous. And Lori, I had never heard of her. Where did she come from? She performed really well," she added.

Singer Kari Newhouse was a runner-up and won a prize package. She will step in if Kryk,

Amey or Davis are unable to perform on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, respectively.

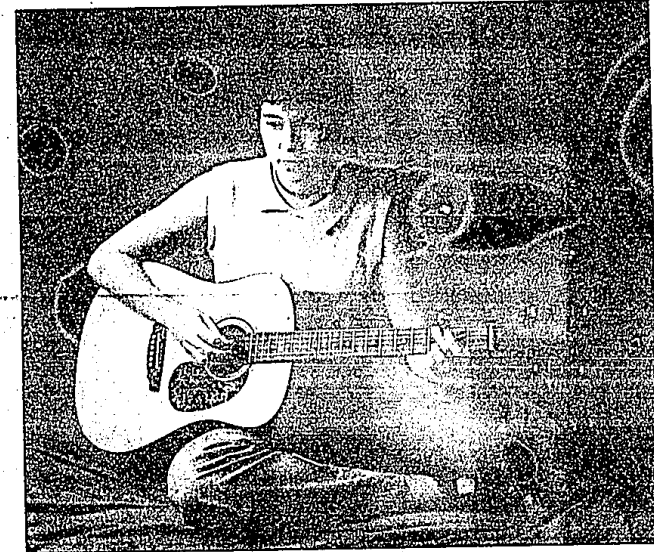
Chalk it up to fate

Being chosen to play Lilith Fair is one of the "good things that have been happening" since Amey released her CD "Nothing to Say" in March.

Record companies have been nosing around and she has scheduled gigs here and in Chicago. Amey said she owes most of it to her producer Larry Pachecowhom she met while ordering the "Nashville Red Book" over the phone.

"I decided to take a trip (to Nashville) in August 1997

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Hitting the stage: Lori Amey, a former Livonia resident, is going from playing Cup O' Joe coffeehouse in Novi to the Village Stage at Lilith Fair Tuesday, July 7.

Lilith Fair comes to Pine Knob Music Theatre 175 and Southdown Road Independence Township 3:30 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, July 6-8. Tickets are \$39 pavilion - \$26.50 lawn. For more information - (248) 377-0100 or visit <http://www.palacet.net>

The line-up

(subject to change)

MONDAY, JULY 6:

ON THE VILLAGE STAGE

- Julie Kryk 3:30-3:50 p.m.
- Sheri Jackson 3:55-4:15 p.m.
- Kendall Payne 5:20-5:40 p.m.

ON THE SECOND STAGE

- Litany 4:20-4:40 p.m.
- W'as Devesport 4:55-5:15 p.m.
- Sister 7 6:10-6:40 p.m.

ON THE MAIN STAGE

- Me'Shell Ndegocello 5:40-6:10 p.m.
- Sinead O'Connor 6:45-7:30 p.m.
- Indigo Girls 7:50-8:40 p.m.
- Natalie Merchant 9:45-10:11 p.m.
- Sarah McLachlan 10:10-11 p.m.

The show benefits Interim House in Detroit

TUESDAY, JULY 7:

ON THE VILLAGE STAGE

- Lori Amey 3:30-3:50 p.m.
- Dayna Manning 3:55-4:15 p.m.
- Kendall Payne 5:20-5:40 p.m.

ON THE SECOND STAGE

- Litany 4:20-4:40 p.m.
- Imant Coppola 4:55-5:15 p.m.
- Heather Nova 6:10-6:40 p.m.

ON THE MAIN STAGE

- Sinead O'Connor 5:40-6:10 p.m.
- Indigo Girls 6:45-7:30 p.m.
- Bonnie Raitt 7:50-8:40 p.m.
- Natalie Merchant 9:45-10:11 p.m.
- Sarah McLachlan 10:10-11 p.m.

The show benefits SAFE House in Ann Arbor

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8:

ON THE VILLAGE STAGE

- Thornetta Davis 3:30-3:50 p.m.
- Dayna Manning 3:55-4:15 p.m.
- Kendall Payne 5:20-5:40 p.m.

ON THE SECOND STAGE

- Litany 4:20-4:40 p.m.
- Imant Coppola 4:55-5:15 p.m.
- Heather Nova 6:10-6:40 p.m.

ON THE MAIN STAGE

- Traci Bonham 5:40-6:10 p.m.
- Me'Shell Ndegocello 6:45-7:30 p.m.
- Bonnie Raitt 7:50-8:40 p.m.
- Natalie Merchant 9:45-10:11 p.m.
- Sarah McLachlan 10:10-11 p.m.

The show benefits LACASA in Howell

RELATED PERFORMANCE:

Heather Nova performs for free at noon Monday, July 6, at Starbuck, 300 S. Main St., in Royal Oak. For more information, call (248) 548-4570.

African Rhythms

WHAT: Three concerts featuring African Music

WHEN:

- 7 p.m. Thursday, July 2
- Africa Fete w/ Salif Keita & the Wanda Band
- Papa Wemba and Molokai
- Cheikh Lo
- Maryam Mursal
- 8 p.m. Saturday, July 25
- Women of the Calabash
- 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13
- Ensemble Kalinda

WHERE: Orchestra Hall

3563 Woodward, Detroit
TICKETS: Range from \$15 to \$25 and may be purchased at Orchestra Hall or by calling (313) 576-5111.

Fete celebrates African rhythm

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
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When Cheikh Lo was growing up in Burkina Faso he listened to a lot of different music but especially Zairean Rumba which was rooted in Cuban Son music which was the rage in West Africa in the 1950s.

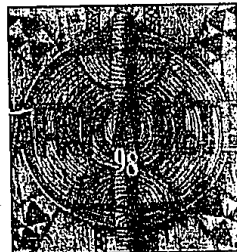
Cuban music was in turn rooted in the rhythms of Africa. What goes around comes around in music as well as life.

Cheikh Lo tonight will join popular African musicians Salif Keita and the Wanda Band of Mali, Papa Wemba and Molokai of the Democratic Republic of

Africa, and Maryam Mursal of Somalia for an "Africa Fete" at Detroit's Orchestra Hall, the first of three summer concerts at Orchestra Hall celebrating African rhythm.

On Saturday, July 25, the Women of the Calabash will perform. The company of three African American women - Madeline Yoydele Nelson, Marsha Perry Starks and Mayra Canales - use a variety of percussion instruments made from natural material including calabash, an African gourd, augmented by lyrically harmonic vocals.

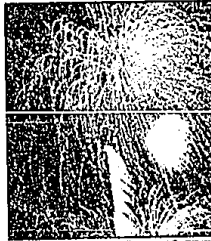
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Africa Fete '98 CD cover

HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

Detroit Symphony Orchestra set to shine under the stars



Patriotic salute: Fireworks follow "Salute to America" concerts.

"Three Cheers for the Red, White and Blue" For the past six years, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, and U.S. Army Field Band, have joined forces in a "Salute to America" at Greenfield Village in Dearborn to kick off their summer season.

"It's a beautiful location. Outdoor concerts are always comfortable," said resident conductor Leslie B. Dunner who will lead the DSO in a program of patriotic and pop favorites including Aaron Copland's "Rodeo" and Leonard Bernstein's "West Side Story."

"They will muster their forces with the Soldiers' Chorus, conducted by Col Jack H. Grogan, Jr., for Copland's "Old American Songs," and the "Battle Hymn of the Republic."



Conductor Leslie B. Dunner

and picnic dinners to enjoy on the Village Green surrounded by historic buildings. Snacks, gourmet picnic baskets, and a variety of beverages will be offered for sale.

As the premier touring musical representative for the U.S. Army, the United States Army Field Band travels world-

wide each year giving formal concerts, participating in clinics and music festivals, and making radio and TV appearances. The band has 160 members, including the 29-member Soldiers' Chorus who present their own arrangements that include operatic arias, melodies from the Broadway stage, patriotic music and current pop hits. Fireworks follow each concert.

On July 13, the DSO begins their three weekend summer concert series at Meadow Brook Music Festival. Three programs will feature fireworks finales.

This year, for the first time, the DSO is offering subscription concert packages with significant discounts.

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