

# 8 days a week

## A Guide to entertainment in the Metro Detroit area

### COMMUNITY THEATER

#### MACOMB SUMMER THEATRE

"The Runner Stumbles," a courtroom drama based on a true story in Upper Michigan, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 31-Aug. 1 and Aug. 7-8, at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield, Clinton Township. \$12, \$10 seniors/students, \$9 groups of 10 or more. (810) 256-2222

#### OUR TIME PRODUCTIONS

"P.S. Your Cat is Dead," risqué adult gay comedy with some nudity, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, through Saturday, Aug. 29, outside courtyard at the Backpack Bar, 8832 Greenfield Road, north of Joy Road, Dearborn. \$12-50. (313) 582-0200

#### PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN

"First Dates and Fickle Hearts," a collection of classic comedies by Chekov and Shaw, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 31-Aug. 1, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2, at the theater, 21730 Madison, southeast of Monroe and Outer Drive, Dearborn. (313) 561-7615/(313) 277-5184

#### PRODUCTIONS

"The Farnside Avenue Housing Estate Townswomen's Guild Dramatic Society's Production of Macbeth," a farce by David McCullery and Walter Zelin, Jr., continues 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, through Sunday, Aug. 9, at the City of Southfield's Historic Center Theburgh, in the renovated 1854 church on the northeast corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road, one block east of Telegraph, Southfield. \$8, \$7 senior adults and children under 12. (248) 827-0701

#### WEST END PRODUCTIONS

"Sweet, Sassy and Daring," short plays by Christopher Durang with Sweet and Sassy, an evening of comedy relief, 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 31-Aug. 1, at the Wunderground Theatre, 110 S. Main St., above ACE Hardware, Royal Oak. \$12. (248) 541-1763

### YOUTH

#### MARQUIS THEATRE CHILDREN

"Raggedy Ann and Andy," Tuesdays-Fridays, Aug. 4, 11-14 and 18-21, 2:30 p.m. Saturdays, Aug. 8, 15, 22, and Sept. 13, 20 and 27, and 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Sept. 6, 13, 20 and 27, no children younger than age 3, at the theater, 135 E. Main St., Northville. (248) 349-8110 for ticket information and special school performance times and rates.

#### NOVI THEATRES

"Cinderella," 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 31-Aug. 1, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2, Nov. Civic Theatre, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi. \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door. All ages. (248) 347-0400

#### TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS

"Really Rosie," a musical comedy by Maurice Sendak and Carole King, 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 31-Aug. 1, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2, at the Theatre Guild of Livonia Reform, 15138 Beech Drive, south of Five Mile, Livonia. \$5. (313) 535-8962

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### CONCORDS D'ELEGANCE

Historic car races, Friday-Sunday, July 31-Aug. 2, Waterford Hills Race Track, Clarkston; the main event, Sunday, Aug. 2, Meadow Brook racetrack grounds, 1800 Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. (248) 500-5500

#### 149TH ANNUAL HIGHLAND GAMES

Amateur and professional competitions, Scottish fiddle demonstrations, piping and drumming, dancing championships, Scottish arts and entertainment, hosted by St. Andrew's Society of Detroit, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, at Greenmead Historical Park, Newburgh Road, south of Eight Mile, Livonia. \$5. (313) 832-1849 or <http://www.hIGHLANDgames.com>

#### DRUM CORPS

Nearly 3,000 musicians will converge on Eastern Michigan University's Ryerson Stadium in Ypsilanti Friday-Saturday, July 31 and Aug. 1 for the Midwest Summer Music Games, 105 of Drum Corps International's top corps from across the U.S. and Canada will present a weekend of music and showmanship. Field performances 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 31; 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1. The 2 p.m. on-stage performance is at Washtenaw International Center. One day tickets are \$12, \$18 and \$25, call (734) 483-4444. Tickets for the 2 p.m. on-stage performance are \$5, call (800) 495-9866, Ext. 3. Check out the website: [www.ypsilanti-il.com](http://www.ypsilanti-il.com)

#### PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS

The group is looking for members and former members to help celebrate its 25th anniversary with a gala ball Friday, Oct. 2, at 1901 Park Manor, Livonia. (734) 457-2992 or write to P.M.C. Box 7002217, Livonia, Mich. 48170

### BENEFITS

#### "A NIGHT OF GOOD TASTE GOES TO THE MOVIES"

Featuring a screening of the movie "The Avengers" starring Ralph Fiennes, Uma Thurman and Sean Connery, a light dinner and supper, and best tasting course of Copper Canyon Brewery, 6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 17, Star Southfield Entertainment Center and Galleria Offcentre, 25333 W. 12 Mile Road (between Telegraph Road and Northwestern Highway), Southfield. \$50 patron tickets include supper and screening, \$25 movie tickets, benefits the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute. (800) KARMANOS

#### BRIDGE

With Blue Cat, and an open house jam session, 3 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Aug. 1, VFW Hall, 1055 S. Wayne Road, Westland. \$5, \$10 includes admission and raffle ticket for a chance to win an Eddie Van Halen Wolfgang Special guitar.

### BENEFITS THE FAMILY OF GUITAR

Teacher/illness must-see Pat Patton who was recently diagnosed with cancer. (734) 722-5512 (rock/blues) FRIENDS OF FOSTER FARMHOUSE 2:10 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2, tent party featuring food, raffle and music by City Limits Blues Band, at Ali's Copper Mug, 1704 W. Maple Road, Walled Lake. 21 and older. (248) 624-9059

#### "LAUGH TO LIVE"

A benefit for the cure for sickle cell anemia, with comedian Bryan McGree, Thursday, July 30, Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle, 250 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. \$10. (248) 542-9900

#### MOTOWN "REGATTA" CRUISE

Begins at 6:30 p.m. with a send-off party for the deck of the Roosterstail, followed by a 1 1/2-hour race beginning at 8 p.m. down the Detroit River, a "Motown Cup" Celebration Party from 9:30-11 p.m. on the Roosterstail deck with music by the impact VII, all Thursday, Aug. 6, Ula Lazarus of WDIV TV-4 challenges "The Mystery Captain," \$60, \$50 for a corporate table of 8, proceeds benefit pediatric cancer research at Children's Hospital of Michigan. (248) 473-5755 "REGATTA ON THE RIVER" A fundraiser for the Fancub Foundation for the Arts featuring music from Tito Puente, Steel Band, an exotic island buffet from the Roosterstail, and a summer-themed art auction sponsored by Gallery Function Art of Pontiac, fashion show, 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 16, on the Roosterstail deck, on Detroit's waterfront, 1 1/2 miles east of the Belle Isle Bridge off Jefferson Avenue. \$35, \$30 Fancub members. (248) 559-1045

### FAMILY EVENTS

#### DIXBORO FAIR

Ice cream social, carnival games, silent auction, juried arts and crafts show, guided tours of 1858 Dixboro United Methodist Church, live entertainment, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, at the Dixboro Village Green, Plymouth Road and Cherry Hill, Ann Arbor. A portion of proceeds benefits Habitat for Humanity, Huron Valley. (734) 761-5068/(734) 665-5032

#### LIVONIA WOOD CARVERS CLUB SHOW

More than 100 carvers from the U.S. and Canada display their work from maple to figure carving, a highlight of the show is the Michigan Chainsaw Carving Championships both days, carving supplies, tools, woods, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 1-2, at Eddie Edger Sports Arena, 33841 Lyndon at Farmington Road, Livonia. \$1, \$2 for families. (734) 421-1000

#### OKLAHOMA COUNTRY 4-H FAIR

Featuring lumberjack show, racing pigs, car show, gospel talent search, and "big events" monster trucks, rodeo, demolition derby, motorcycle, figure 8 car race and demolition derby, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Sunday, Aug. 3-9, Springfield Oaks Activity Center, Dearborn. \$8 per car, \$7 adults, \$3 children from 5-12, and free for children ages 4 and younger for "big events" (248) 825-8133/(248) 634-8830

#### KATHARINE PARADE AND FESTIVAL

India's ancient Parade of the Giant Chariot on Belle Isle beginning on the island side of the bridge 11 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 2, followed by festival of dance, drama and music, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Belle Isle Shelter #5). (313) 331-6740/(313) 885-8999

### SUMMER CONCERTS

#### BANDS OF MICHIGAN

7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 30, Wilson Farm, Livonia. Free. All ages. (734) 421-2000, ext. 351

#### DAVID BENNETT

The clarinetist performs Wednesday, Aug. 5, at North Park Methodist Church, 20857 W. 11 Mile Road, just west of Middlebelt Road, Farmington Hills. CLOUINS AROUND REDFORD Perform for National Cancer Institute, Saturday, Aug. 1, Performing Arts Pavilion behind William Faust Public Library, 6123 Civic Center Parkway, Westland. Free. All ages. (734) 326-6123

#### COMMUNITY CHORUS

8 p.m. Thursday, July 30, Heritage Park, west side of Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile roads, Farmington Hills. Free. All ages. (734) 473-9570

#### THE COURTIERS

7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 5, gazebo at Burgh Historical Park, northeast corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road, Southfield. Free. (248) 424-9022 (big band jazz)

#### WILLY GEORGE BAND

7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 7, gazebo next to Village Commons on Grand River Avenue, downtown Farmington. Free. All ages. (248) 473-7283 (alternative pop)

#### THE HOPE ORCHESTRA

7:30 p.m. Friday, July 31, gazebo next to Village Commons on Grand River Avenue, Farmington. Free. All ages. (248) 473-7283 (alternative pop)

#### HOT ICE

7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 6, in the amphitheater in Heritage Park, on Canton Center Road, south of Cherry Hill, Canton. Free. All ages. (734) 397-5110 (Motown soul)

#### JAZZHEAD

8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, Greenfield



Scottish tradition: Alexandra Bennett 7, dances as Harold Higgins plays. They will be participating in the 149th annual Highland Games, Saturday at Greenmead Historical Park in Livonia.

## Scots gather for Highland Games

They're calling it "The Fling in the Motor City," and if you're Scottish, or interested in all things Scottish, you'll want to be at the 149th Annual Highland Games, Saturday, Aug. 1, at Greenmead Historical Park in Livonia.

Dancing is one of the highlights of this year's games, the second to be held at Greenmead.

In the morning, dancers from the Midwest area and Canada will compete in a dance competition hosted by the St. Andrew's Society. The United States Inter-Regional Highland Dance Championship competition begins in the afternoon. Dancers from all over the U.S. and Canada will be competing for the national title in five different age categories from children to adults. To qualify for this competition, the dancers had to win regional competitions.

Dance events continue on Sunday at the Field House on the University-Michigan Dearborn campus. A pre-championship competition in the morning is open to all dancers who have never won a championship. The North American Highland Championship will follow. Three premiere pipers will accompany the dancers.

The games are a good place to dig for your Scottish roots. Over 30 clans will be represented. There will be vendors selling Scottish goods, Scottish food for sale, and activities for children.

They're bringing in Longhorn Highland Cattle, and there will be sheep herding

and duck herding demonstrations by Highland Border Collies and Sheep Dogs throughout the day.

Be sure to visit the 18th Century Scottish military camp. You can watch military drills and hear the firing of muskets.

#### 149th Annual Highland Games

When: 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1

Where: Greenmead Historical Park, Newburgh (at Eight Mile Road), Livonia.

Tickets: \$6 in advance, \$8 at the gate. Children under 12 free with adult. Advance tickets available at Greenmead, the Golden Girls in Royal Oak on Fourth St. (east of Main St.), or call Marty and Harold Hunter. (248) 545-1997. For general information, call (913) 882-1849.

Check out the Web site: [www.HighlandGames.com](http://www.HighlandGames.com)

Shuttle lots: Schoolcraft College, south of Seven Mile Road on Haggerty, and Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church on Six Mile Road (west of Haggerty). There is no charge for parking in these lots and complimentary shuttle buses will run every 10 to 15 minutes throughout the day, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Patron, handicap and limited general parking will be available in the Main Lot at Greenmead. Experience shows the Main Lot will be full by 10 a.m.

Schedule of events:

8:30 a.m. - Games open for the public

9 a.m. - Competitions begin, Piping, Highland Dance, Heavy Athletics

Noon - Welcoming Ceremony, Invocation & National Anthem, Lament for the Deceased, Massed Pipes and Drums, Parade of the Clans, Royal Scottish Country Dance Society.

5 p.m. - Closing Ceremony, Massed Pipes and Drums, Major Competitive Awards, Raffle Drawings.

Ongoing:

■ Heavy Athletics - Amateur, Professional

■ Highland Dancing Championships - Novice, Intermediate, Advance, Open, Broadsword Dance Competition

■ Drum Major

■ Pipe and Drumming, Individual, Pipe Band

■ Scottish Fiddle Demonstrations

■ Scottish Arts and Entertainment

■ Children's Events

■ Vendors of Scottish Goods

■ Food & Drink Vendors

Dance Championship Competition

Where: Sunday, Aug. 2, Where: University of Michigan Dearborn Field House, on Evergreen (between Hubbard Dr. and Michigan Ave.) across from Fairlane Town Center. Admission: \$5 at the door

■ Pre-championship Competition sponsored by the St. Andrew's Society, featuring premiere dancers from around the country who have never won a championship, 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

■ North American Highland Championship, featuring premiere dancers from the U.S., Canada and Scotland, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2 at the University of Michigan Fieldhouse.

At the school's north campus. Free. All ages. (734) 764-0594

#### BEVERLY BUCHANAN

4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2, at Christ Church Cranbrook, 470 Church Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-5210

### CLASSICAL

#### DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

"The Great Greek Concert," with conductor Neeme Jarvi and pianist Sergei Babayan, 8 p.m. Friday, July 31, "Brahm Beethoven" with conductor Neeme Jarvi and violinist Mark Kaplan, 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, "Summer's Fantasia" with conductor Neeme Jarvi and pianist Sergei Babayan, 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2, and "Top Gun Pop" with conductor Erich Kunzel and the Cortes Alexander Trio, 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 7, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. Tickets at Ticketmaster. (313) 576-5100 or <http://www.detroit-symphony.com>

#### POPS/BWING

#### BOSTON POPS "AMERICAN VISIONS" TOUR

With the Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra and conductor Keith Lockhart, 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, Fox Theatre, 2151 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$37.50, \$50, \$75. (248) 433-1515

#### THE NEW MORTY SHOW

9:30 p.m. Friday, July 31, Blind Pig, 208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$8 in advance, \$8 day of show, 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 (swing)

#### PATRICK MACOSKA/RICHARD CIGZAK

Carltonists perform "Serenade" and an original composition by Ronald Barnes, 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 3, University of Michigan's Ann and Robert H. Lurie

### VI ORCHESTRA

9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, July 31, Bacci Abstract, 40 W. Pike St., Pontiac. (swing) (248) 253-1300

### BRASS MUSIC

#### THE MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND

As part of Oakland Community College's "A Little Night Music" series, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 4, OCC, 7350 Coolidge Lake Road, Waterford. Free. All ages. (248) 349-0376

### ORGAN

#### MOTOR CITY THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY

Movies and concerts series continues with "An Affair to Remember," starring Cary Grant and Deborah Kerr, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 7, and 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 8, the Historic Redwood Theatre, 27300 Lakeshore at Grand River. Organ overture precedes film, guest organist evenings John Luster, matinees Gil Francis. \$2.50. (313) 831-4407

### AUDITIONS

#### DARBIZON SCHOOL OF MICHIGAN

The school is offering "The Play's the Thing," a series of summer acting workshops for special needs children and handicapped young persons taught by Detroit actor Bob Carls at the school, 6250 Orchard Lake Road, Suite 110, West Bloomfield. Topics include improving their speech, movement, coordination and confidence through acting. (248) 855-5650

#### FARMINGTON PLAYERS

Auditions for two men each of whom portrays 11 characters (male and female) for "A Yuletide Christmas," 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30, at the barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. (248) 476-3781/(248) 926-0050

#### HARTLAND PLAYERS

Auditions for "A Chorus Line," 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2, and 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 3, Hartland Music Hall, 3819 Avon St., Hartland. (810) 220-3521

#### MOSAS YOUTH THEATRE SUMMER INSTITUTE

With classes in acting, singing, dancing and stagecraft for children ages 8-18, Monday-Sunday, Aug. 3-30, Wayne County Community College. \$100. (313) 554-1422

#### SECOND CITY KIDS' CAMP

Two-week day camp for kids ages 10-16 that helps children develop teamwork skills by learning how to improvise in group situations, 9 a.m. to noon or 1-4 p.m. Aug. 3-13, at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$120. (313) 954-5521

#### SUMMER MUSIC SCHOOL

Schoolcraft College is offering the opportunity for late elementary and high school musicians to perform as soloists and with a live orchestra Aug. 3-14; \$250 for two-week term. (734) 462-4400, ext. 5218

#### WANDOTTIE COMMUNITY THEATRE

Auditions for the musical "Damn Yankees," 6:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 30, at the Copeland Center, Fourth and Mulberry streets, Wyandotte. Performances start on Wednesday and end in October. (734) 438-0126

### JAZZ

#### ABLETTEDUFF AND HAYDEN TRIO

7:30 p.m. to midnight Friday, Aug. 7, Fleetwood on Sixth restaurant, 209 W. Eighth St., Royal Oak. Free. All ages. (248) 541-8050

#### ALEX ANEST

8:10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, Espresso Royale Cafe, 214 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (734) 688-1838 (jazz guitar duo)

#### RALPH ARMSTRONG TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 7, Edgelye, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free, 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

#### SEAN BLACKMAN

With John Arnold, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 5, Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Wester St., Rochester. Free, 21 and older. (248) 650-5080 (psy jazz)

#### TEDDY HARRIS TRIO

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Aug. 6, Edgelye, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free, 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

#### HEIDI HEPLER & MICHELLE RAMO

6:10 p.m. Mondays, at Toocher, 27155 Sheraton Dr., Novi. (248) 348-5555; 9:30-10:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays at Encore in the Quality Inn, 1801 S. Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 335-3760; 7:30 p.m. Fridays, at Cafe Cortina, 30715 W. 10 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. (810) 925-3393; 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, at Vie's Market, 42875 Grand River Ave., Novi. (248) 325-7323

#### FENTY HIGGINS

8:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 7, Kellogg Park, Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street, downtown Plymouth. Free. All ages. (734) 453-1234

#### JAZZDITY

9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge, 19 and older. (734) 485-5059

#### JAZZHEAD

9:30 p.m. Friday, July 31, Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Wester St., Rochester. Free, 18 and older. (248) 500-5080 (acid jazz)

#### KATHY KOSINS TRIO

8 p.m. Thursday, July 30, Duet, 3663 Woodward Ave. (at Martin Luther King Boulevard), Detroit. (313) 831-3838

#### SHEILA LANDIS TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, July 31, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham.

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