

8 days a week

A Guide to entertainment in the Metro Detroit area

THEATER

DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE
"Camp Logan," Celeste Bedford Walker's play about the Houston riot and court martial of 1917, through Sunday, March 21, 8:30 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays, at the theater, 13103 Woodward, Detroit, (313) 668-1247

FISHER THEATRE
"Rob Becker's Defending the Covenants," through Sunday, Feb. 21, at the theater, in the Fisher Building, Detroit, 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturdays, and 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sundays, \$34.50, \$38.50 and \$44.50, (248) 645-0666/(313) 872-1000

COLLEGE

U-M THEATRE

Timberlake Wertenbaker's "Our Country's Good," a compelling drama that explores the human bond between captives, captors and the redemptive power of art, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 11-13, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, at the Lydia Mendelsohn Theatre, central campus of University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, \$18, \$14, \$7 students with I.D. Contains adult language and situations, (734) 764-0450

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY

"Death and the Horseman" by Vole Soyinka, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 12-13; matinees, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, presented by the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance in the Varner Studio Theatre on campus, Rochester, \$10, \$8 seniors, \$4 students, (248) 370-3013/(248) 645-0666

COMMUNITY THEATRE

FARMINGTON PLAYERS

"The Fantasticks" by Tom Jones and Harvey Smith, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Feb. 12-13, Feb. 19-20 and Feb. 26-27; 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14 in the Players Barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, (248) 553-2955

PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD

"The Sound of Music," 8 p.m. Fridays-Sundays, Feb. 19-21, Feb. 26-27, and Friday-Saturday, March 5-6, and 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28, Water Tower Theatre on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile Road, Northville, \$11 in advance, \$12 at the door, (248) 820-2211

ST. DUNSTON'S THEATRE GUILD OF ORANSTON

"Heart and Music," Broadway's best in song, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 12-13, 400 Lane Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills, \$15 for show and 6:30 p.m. reception (funds go to the purchase of lighting equipment for the outdoor Greek Theatre, (248) 844-0658

STAGECRAFTERS

Musical comedy "Promises, Promises," by Neil Simon, based on the movie "The Apartment" by Billy Wilder and I.A.L. Diamond, music by Burt Bacharach and lyrics by Hal David, through Feb. 14, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, at the historic Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak, \$12-\$14, (248) 541-6130

WAYNE STAGE IN ADULT COMMUNITY THEATRE

"The Curious Savage," a comedy by John Patrick, 7:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Feb. 12-13 and 19-20, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, at the State Wayne Stage IV Theatre on Michigan Avenue, Wayne, \$10, \$5 seniors/students, (734) 721-7400

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

DETROIT PUPPET THEATRE

PuppetART presents "The Firebird" from an old Russian folk tale, noon and 2 p.m. Saturdays, Feb. 13 and 20, at the theater, 28 E. Grand River, between Woodward Avenue and Farmer, Detroit, \$6.50, \$5 children, \$20 families of two adults/two children. Also workshops following 2 p.m. Saturday performances, (313) 961-7777/(248) 557-8590

TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS

Presents Tinderox Tales, a collection of humorous folk tales with voluntary audience participation, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, in the Civic Center Library Auditorium, 32777 Five Mile, East of Farmington Road, Livonia, \$4, (734) 486-2410

YOUTH THEATRE

Young Family Dancers perform authentic African dance, music and song, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, at Music Hall, Detroit, \$8, \$7 advance, \$8 for a Saturday pre-show, (313) 963-2366

SPECIAL EVENTS

"ART CHAT"

By the artist and curator of the exhibit "Extraordinary Stitches: The Art of Sew and Insew," on the use of textiles in the work of modern Jewish artists, 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb.



Black History Month Celebration: Dramatic presentations, cooking demonstrations, and hands-on activities such as creating your own traditional African kufi hats and paper beads are some of the activities being offered at Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn on weekends throughout February. The museum celebrates the unique contributions of African-Americans to world music with "Rhythm Rising: Exploring American's Musical Roots," with weekend concerts by some of metro Detroit's leading musical groups. The museum is at Oakwood Boulevard and Village Road, west of the Southfield Freeway and south of Michigan Ave. Activities included with museum admission, \$12.50 for adults, \$11.50 people age 62 and over, \$7.50 kids ages 6-12. Children under 5 and members admitted free. Call (313) 271-1620 for information.

18, at the Janice Charech Epstein Gallery in the Jewish Community Center, 6600 West Maple Road at Drake, West Bloomfield, Free, (248) 661-7641

BIG KART AUTOMATA

Featuring 800 exhibits of hot rods and custom cars, trucks, vans and motorcycles, 4-11 p.m. Friday, Feb. 19, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20, and 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21, Cobo Hall, Detroit, \$10 in advance, \$4 for children ages 12 and younger, \$12 at the door, \$5 at the door for children ages 12 and younger, (800) 856-0068 or <http://www.kart.com>

R.O. DEMPSTER & FRIENDS

Original, jazz and classical music, 7-10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 19, at the Coffee Denway, Birmingham, (248) 646-6022

"DIVAS EXOTICA"

Capitol Records' search for America's ultimate drag queen, hosted by Drag Queen Amanda Collins, 9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17, Backstreet, 15606 Joy Road, Detroit, Cover charge, 21 and older, (313) 272-8959; And the final round at 9 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21, Menlo's, 928 W. McChicola, Detroit, Cover charge, 21 and older, (313) 863-3934

"KARMA" NIGHT/CLUB OPENING

7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, at the club, 22931 Woodward Ave., Ferndale, \$7, 21 and older. Afterward, the club will be open from 7 p.m. to 2 a.m. Thursdays-Saturdays. Full menu of fajitas, salads, shrimp, veggie sandwiches and strip steaks, and bar available, (248) 541-1600

"MARDI GRAS FAT TUESDAY"

Featuring entertainment by New Orleans jazz band, complimentary hors d'oeuvres, and a chance to win in a random drawing, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16, Flakoon's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe, 400 Monroe St., Detroit, Cash prizes for best costumes, (313) 965-4600

FAMILY EVENTS

BARBIE & FRIENDS DOLL SHOW

Barbies for sale (old and new), 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, at the Plymouth Church Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth, \$5, \$2 ages 1-12, (734) 455-2110

KIDS CONCERT

Folklorist Safiya Tackell performs music, songs, dances and stories from West African and African-American folktales, 1:30-2:15 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20, at the Southfield Center for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, south of 10 Mile, \$3.25, (248) 424-0022

"THE MAGIC OF OPERA"

"An operatic adventure for kids, with a children's chorus," with conductor Yehui Wang, soprano Rebecca Nye, soprano Elizabeth Parcella, mezzo soprano Julie DelVera, tenor Scott Piper, bass-baritone Donnell Hartmann, and the Children's Chorus of the Institute of Music and Dance and the Center for Creative Studies,

performing "Russian and Ludmilla" overture by Glinka, Die Zauberflote (The Magic Flute) by Mozart, Die Walkure: Ride of the Valkyries by Wagner, and Hansel and Gretel by Humperdinck, 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, Orchestra Hall, 3713 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Tickets at the box office, (313) 833-3700 or <http://www.detroit.symphony.com>

"PUPPET TALES FROM THE OLD OAK"

Children of all ages learn about the environment and how animals survive in winter, 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, at the Kaskin Mills Interpretive Center, Hines Drive, east of Ann Arbor Trail, Westland, \$2, advance registration required, Parking available off Hines Drive and can be reached even if road is barricaded because of flooding, (734) 261-1990

WINTER FUN DAYS

Children ages 3 to 6 can attend a variety of games and activities including face painting, Tonka On-Wheels, skating and snow sculpting, wildlife tracking, making coconut bird feeders, storytelling and a concert, Wednesday, Feb. 17 to Friday, Feb. 19, at the West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation Center and Civic Center, Drake Sports Park and Marshbank Park, Free, (248) 738-2500

BENEFITS

"PAINT THE WORD"

An art benefit where artists will be painting poetry read by Neve Cummings, an auction follows to raise money for the nonprofit Swann Gallery Educational Corporation which provides programs such as free children's art classes, 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 19, at the Swann Gallery, 1250 Library St., across from the old Hudson's building, Detroit, Free, (313) 965-4828

THE RAINBOW CONNECTION

An evening of romance, fine food and music by Alexander Zorngie, 5-8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, at the Skyline Club, 2000 Town Center, Suite 2800, Southfield, \$85 per person, with proceeds to benefit The Rainbow Connection, a nonprofit granting wishes for children with life threatening illnesses, (810) 783-9777

SUZANNE SOMERS

Guest speaker for the annual CHOICES fundraising event on behalf of the Women's Allied Jewish Campaign, March 3 at Adat Shalom Synagogue, 29901 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills. A minimum \$180 contribution required along with the \$25 admission fee. Luncheon will be served. Reservations deadline is Feb. 15, call (248) 642-4260, Ext. 181

VALENTINE'S DAY

"A CELEBRATION OF ROMANCE"

Spend the afternoon enjoying the arts at a High tea to benefit St. Mary of Redford School, dance exhibitions

of French court dances, Tango, Waltz and Swing, reading by writer Kathleen Ripley Leo, and exhibit of painting and sculpture by Wynnebeth Gallery, 3-4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft, Livonia, \$25, (734) 522-5424

HOTEL SAVARINE SOCIETY ORCHESTRA

Dance to the music of the orchestra 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, at the Southfield Center for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, \$8, (248) 424-9022

KERRYTOWN CONCERT HOUSE

Two shows for Valentine's Day Sunday, Feb. 14, a songfest with David Owens and his barbershop quartet at 4 p.m., and love songs and poetry with Joanna Hastings and Friends at 8 p.m., at the concert house, 415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor, \$10, \$7, \$5 students for each show, (734) 769-2999 or <http://www.kch.net>

"A NIGHT OF HEART AND SOUL"

A Valentine's Day celebration with Regina Belle, Peabo Bryson and Najee, 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, at the Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit, \$35, \$27.50, \$43-1515/(248) 645-6666

MARVIN'S BISTRO

Johnny Trudell Quintet performs 9-10 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, at the restaurant, 15800 Middlebelt, Livonia. Special Valentine's Day menu, call (734) 522-9600

SWEET ADELINES GREAT LAKES CHORUS

Give your special person a singing valentine delivered by a quartet from the Sweet Adelines anywhere in Macomb or Oakland county, anytime 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 12-13 or noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, Donation \$25 in person, \$10 by phone, (810) 264-1018/(810) 725-2446

VFW POST 3323

Give your loved ones, sponsored by Sillettoes, 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, VFW Post 3323, 1055 S. Wayne Road, Westland, \$22 includes food, snacks, beverages, door prizes, 21 and older, (734) 722-7907

CLASSICAL

LETTIE ALSTON AND FRIENDS

Works by the composer and others including James Lentini and James Hartwig, guest pianists Flavio Varani and Erika Schroth in "Pathway to Eclecticism," 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13, in Varner Recital Hall on Oakland University campus, Rochester, \$12, \$10 seniors, \$6 students, (248) 370-3013

BIRMINGHAM MUSICALS

"A Parade of American Music," soprano So You Kim, flutists Johanna Beth Sennett and Phillip Dikeman, and saxophonist Betty Hixon, 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11 at the Community House, 360 South Bates, Birmingham, \$2 guest donation, (248) 475-5978

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

"Classical Rums" with conductor Leslie Dunner, tenor James N. Moore

Jr., the Drazel Dazzard Choral, and its director Drazel Dazzard, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, Orchestra Hall, 3713 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets at the box office, (313) 833-3700 or <http://www.detroit.symphony.com>

DETROIT POLYTON YOUTH SYMPHONY

Featuring works by Benjamin Britten, J.S. Bach, G. Rossini, A. Hovhanness, and H. Berlioz, 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, at the Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor, \$25, \$15, \$10, (734) 769-2999 or <http://www.kch.net>

"MUSIC IN FREUD'S VIENNA"

Features pianist Louisa Nagel, mezzo-soprano Deanna Relyea and a University of Michigan string quartet performing music heard in turn-of-the-century Vienna when Freud was living and working there, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, at the Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor, \$25, \$15, \$10, (734) 769-2999 or <http://www.kch.net>

PEPE ROMERO

Guitarist performs with the Orpheus Chamber Orchestra, 8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 15, Rockham Auditorium, 915 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor, \$22, \$30, \$34, \$38. All ages, (734) 764-2538 or <http://www.uma.org>

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Featuring guest conductor Anthony Elliott and Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 5, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20, at Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium, Joy and Canton Center roads, \$12, \$10 senior/college students, (734) 451-2112

LORI SIMS

The pianist performs a solo recital, 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18, at the Henry Ford Estate-Fair Lane on the campus of the University of Michigan-Dearborn, \$3, \$2 seniors, (313) 593-5555

MAXIM VENGEROV

Violist performs with pianist Igor Urush, 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University Ave., Ann Arbor, \$45, \$35, \$20 and \$14. All ages, (734) 764-2538

BARBERSHOP

"PARADE OF HARMONY"

The 60th annual event is headlined by "The Gas House Gang" and "Updown Sound," 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 19 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20, at Clarenceville High School Auditorium, Middlebelt south of Eight Mile, Livonia, \$13 Friday, \$15 Saturday, all seats reserved, (248) 559-7082

POPSWING

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

"Broadway Today! The Most Popular Songs From Today's Hottest Shows," with conductor Eric Kunzel, soprano Elizabeth Borer, baritone Daniel Narducci, Livingston County Choral, and Cantata Academy, 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 19-20, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21, Orchestra Hall, 3713 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets at the box office, (313) 833-3700

SHAKEN! NOT STIRRED

9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 12, Boulders, 1020 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Free, 21 and older, (734) 459-4150 (swing)

STARBUCKS DRINKERS

1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, during the Rockers game, Joe Louis Arena, 600 Civic Center Dr., Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster, All ages, (313) 963-6666 (western swing)

SWING SYNDICATE

10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, Amer's First Street Grill, 102 S. First St., Ann Arbor, \$6, 21 and older, (734) 213-6000

IV-4 ORCHESTRA

9-11:30 p.m. Thursdays, at the Soup Kitchen, 1585 Franklin, Detroit, (313) 259-1374; 7-9:30 p.m. Sundays, at the Heidelberg, 215 N. Main, Ann Arbor, \$5, (734) 663-7768

ADDITIONS

BEL CANTO CHORAL GROUP

Invites women who read music and enjoy singing to join the group. Founded 40 years ago, group members are women who enjoy rehearsing and performing a variety of music including light classical, show tunes and seasonal favorites. Rehearsal Monday evenings February-June in Southfield, Jane Miller (248) 642-3216/Parcells (313) 640-0123

B.W. PRODUCTIONS

Auditions for males and females ages 18 to adult for the semi-musical/comedy gospel "When God Comes Down From Heaven," no experience necessary but a plus, training provided, call for audition appointments, (313) 965-2372

JAZZ & SPIRIT DANCE THEATRE OF DETROIT

Auditions for modern and jazz dancers age 18 and up, 8:30-9 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays, Feb. 11, 18, 25, 26, at the Northwest Activities Center, 18100 Meyers, between Curtis and McChicola, Detroit, (313) 862-0968/(248) 342-1000

SECOND CITY-DETROIT

Rich Carter teaches the basics of improvisation, 3-6 p.m. Feb. 20 to April 17, at the Performance Network, 111 W. Huron, Ann Arbor.

\$200; also improv Headstart classes for kids ages 12-16, teaches fundamentals of teamwork while improvising in group situations, 3-6 p.m. Sundays, Feb. 21 to April 18, at the Second City-Detroit, \$150, (313) 964-5821

THEATRE GUILD OF LIVONIA-REDFORD

Accepting submissions for original one-acts by local artists in play/script format running 15-45 minutes each, deadline March 1, send four copies to the Theatre Guild, c/o Sean Kelley, P.O. Box 51574, Livonia, MI, 48150. For more information, call (313) 531-0554

JAZZ

OWING ADAMS TRIO

9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham, Free, 21 and older, (248) 645-2150 (trumpet/piano/bass trio)

MOSE ALLISON TRIO

9 p.m. and 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 19-20, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor, \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door, 21 and older, (734) 662-8310 or <http://www.90music.com>

REGINA BELLE

With Peabo Bryson and Najee, 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, Fox Theatre, 2111 Woodward Ave., Detroit, \$27.50 and \$35. All ages, (248) 433-1515

BIJAZZ VESPER

Features James Dapogny and Susan Chestain, 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21, First Baptist Church, corner Willis and Bates, Birmingham. Free-will offering is taken for musicians, (248) 644-0550

JUDIE COCHILL TRIO

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Feb. 11, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham, Free, 21 and older, (248) 645-2150 (vocal/piano/bass)

HEIDI HEPLER/MICHELE RAMO/TODD CURTIS

11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, at Vic's Market, 42875 Grand River Ave., Novi, (248) 307-7333 (vocal/piano/bass)

HERSIE HANCOCK QUARTET

8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 16, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit, \$15-\$46, and box seats for \$60, (313) 833-3700

KUZE

9 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16, as part of "Mood Indigo" night, The Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor, \$5, 21 and older, (734) 662-8310

SHEILA LANDIS

8:00 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, Borders Books and Music, 17141 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe, Free. All ages, (313) 855-1188

LARVA

With The Immigrant Sons, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor, Cover charge, 19 and older, (734) 996-8555 (avant jazz)

LOUIE LEVEVE

With Jimmy Lee Trio, 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 12-13, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor, \$5, 21 and older, (734) 662-8310

MATT MICHAELS

With guest saxophonist George Benson, 8:11:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11; Cary Kocher on vibes Thursday, Feb. 18, at Botaford Inn, Farmington, \$5 cover with cash dinner order, (248) 474-4800

MARK MOULTRUP TRIO

8:30 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Feb. 18, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham, Free, 21 and older, (248) 645-2150 (vocal/piano/bass)

SHAHIDA NURULLAH TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Fridays, Feb. 12 and 19, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham, Free, 21 and older, (248) 645-2150 (vocal/piano/bass)

POIGNANT PLEOSTOMUS

8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 19, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills, Free. All ages, (248) 652-0558

JOHN SCOFIELD QUARTET

7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18, The Ark, 310 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, \$20 in advance. All ages, (734) 761-1800 or [http://www.39](http://www.39music.com)