

# 8 days a week

A Guide to entertainment in the Metro Detroit area

## THEATRE

**THE CENTURY THEATRE**  
"Forbidden Hollywood," April 4-June 27, Century building, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit, 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays (\$20.50), 7:30 p.m. Thursdays (\$20.50), 8:30 p.m. Fridays (\$34.50), 6:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Saturdays (\$34.50), 1:30 p.m. Sundays (\$29.50), and 5:30 p.m. Sundays (\$24.50), (313) 962-2913

**FOX THEATRE**  
"The Wizard of Oz," 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, April 8-9, noon, 3:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 10, and 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Sunday, April 11, at the theater, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit, (248) 433-1515/(313) 983-6611

**GMA THEATRE**  
"I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change," runs through June 27 at the theater, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit, (313) 963-9800 or (248) 645-6666

**MACOMB CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS**  
"Meet Me in St. Louis," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 15, 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, April 16-17, and 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 17, at the center, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township, \$30, \$27 students/seniors, 80% family of four, (810) 286-2222/(800) 585-3737

**MEADOW BROOK THEATRE**  
"The Rocky Horror Show," Wednesday, Sunday, April 14-May 9, at the theater in Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester, \$24-\$35, previews April 14-16 \$19.50-\$35, (248) 377-3300

## OPERA

**ELIZABETH PARCELS**  
The Detroit coloratura soprano sings songs and arias by Mozart, Donizetti and Bellini, and offers commentary on the music during a concert noon Wednesday, April 14, in the Forum Recital Hall at Schoolcraft College, 19500 Grosse Pointe, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia, Free, (734) 462-4400, ext. 5218

**VERDI OPERA THEATRE OF MICHIGAN**  
Canton Project Arts presents "Discover Opera" featuring live performances by the Verdi Opera Theatre preceded by an informative presentation "Opera: What It's All About," and a display of rare opera posters, 3:30 p.m. (4 p.m. concert), Sunday, April 18, at the Summit on the Park, Canton, \$10, (734) 397-5417

## COLLEGE

**EMU THEATRE**  
"The House of Blue Leaves," this award-winning play is a farce about a middle-aged zoo attendant who longs to fulfill his dream of becoming a famous songwriter, Friday-Saturday, April 9-10, 8 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, at Quik Theatre on Eastern Michigan University's campus, Ypsilanti, \$7, Thursday, \$12, Fridays-Saturdays, \$10 Sunday, (734) 487-1221

**UD MERCY THEATRE**  
"Billie Blues," Neil Simon's play set in a U.S. Army boot camp during World War II, Friday, April 9, to Sunday, April 11, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Sundays, in the McAuley Theatre on the campus at 200 W. Outer Drive, Detroit, \$10, \$8 seniors/students, (313) 993-1130

**U-M THEATRE**  
Workshop production of "Orphan Train," a classic American melodrama about poverty, community, family and hope by Leighton Playwright Dennis North, directed by Guy Saville of Purple Rose Theatre Company, through April 11, at the Truett-Holmes, Ann Arbor, \$14, \$7, (734) 764-0450

**U-M THEATRE DEPARTMENT**  
"Candide," by Leonard Bernstein, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, April 15-17, and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 18, The Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor, \$18 and \$15 reserved seating, \$7 student seating, (734) 764-0450

**WVS HILBERTY THEATRE**  
"The Playboy of the Western World," a literary classic from Ireland about a playboy who cons his way into becoming the romantic hero of a small peasant village, runs through May 8 in rotating repertory, at the theater, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit, \$10-\$17, (313) 577-2972

**WVS STUDIO THEATRE**  
"The Subject Was Roses," the Tony Award and Pulitzer Prize-winning drama chronicles the homecoming of a World War II veteran, through April 8, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Sundays, in the Theater, 4743 Cass Ave., at Hancock, Detroit, \$8, \$9 students/seniors, (313) 577-2972

## COMMUNITY THEATRE

**HARTLAND PLAYERS**  
"A Thousand Clowns," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, April 16-17 and 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 18, at Herland Music Hall, 3615 Ave., \$8, \$7 students/seniors, (810) 220-3521

**SHAKESPEARE**  
A workshop production of "The Tempest," April 8 to May 2, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Sundays, special celebration April 23-24 in honor of Shakespeare's birthday, at Planet Art, 2357 Condit, east of I-75, Hamtramck, \$10, suggested donation, (313) 305-4948

**TROY PLAYERS**  
"Sue's Magnolia" by Robert Harling opens 8 p.m. Friday, April 9 and continues 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, April



**Family event: Tahir and his alligators are one of the featured acts in the Royal Hanneford Circus at The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Drive for eight performances Thursday, April 8 through Sunday, April 11. Show times are 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 8; 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 9; 10:30 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 10, and 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday, April 11. Tickets \$12 and \$8 reserved and \$5 general admission. All seats \$4 opening night. All seats for the Friday matinee are \$5. Children 12 and under and seniors 65 and over will receive \$2 off \$12 and \$8 tickets for all shows except the performance on April 8 and the 11 a.m. performance on April 9. Call (248) 645-6666.**

## DINNER THEATRE

10, April 16-17 and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 18, at Hamilton Elementary School, 5625 Northfield Parkway, Troy, \$10, (248) 879-1285

## BACI ABBRACCI ITALIAN CHOPHOUSE

"Tony n' Tina's Wedding," an interactive theater show with patrons having an Italian dinner, and dancing to a live band performing traditional Italian wedding songs, has an open-ended run, at the restaurant, 40 W. Pike St., Pontiac, 7:30 p.m. Thursdays-Fridays, 4:30 p.m. and 9 a.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sundays, \$50 Thursdays and Sundays, \$55 Fridays and Saturdays, in advance at 8 W. Lawrence St., Pontiac, (248) 745-6666/(248) 645-6666

**SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN ARTS CONSERVATORY**  
"Did He Say... Murder?," an interactive mystery about the murder of the grand son of the last owner of the Nelson Hotel in Plymouth, a production by Such and Such with dinner by Palermo's Italian Restaurant, 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 16, at the conservatory, 5701 Canton Center Road, (north of Ford Road, off Maben Road), Canton, \$64, \$120 couples, (734) 453-7590, ext. 200

## YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

**MARQUEE THEATRE**  
"Velvetine Rabbit," 2:30 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays through April 25, and 2:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, April 9-10, at the theater, 135 E. Main St., Northville, \$7, (248) 349-8110

**MASONIC TEMPLE**  
Scolastic's Maple School Bus Live, "A Bright Idea," an all new original musical production based on the award-winning Fox-TV series and the best-selling book, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, April 17, at the theater, Detroit, \$21.50, \$17.50, \$13.50, benefits Cystic Fibrosis and Cystic Fibrosis research, (248) 645-6666/(313) 873-1132 group sales

**NOVI THEATRES**  
"The Adventures of Peter Rabbit and His Friends," 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 16-17, and 3 p.m. Sunday, April 18, at the Novi Civic Center Stage, 45175 W. 10 Mile, \$8, \$7 advance, (248) 347-0400

**PAPER BAO PRODUCTIONS**  
"Jack and the Beanstalk," runs Saturdays-Sundays to May 23, 1 p.m. Saturdays (lunch at noon) and 2 p.m. Sundays (lunch at 1 p.m.), at the Historic Players Club, 332 E. Jefferson, between Mount Elliott and McDougall across from Harbortown, Detroit, \$10, \$5 includes lunch and show, (810) 662-6111

**YOUTH THEATRE**  
"You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 10, at the museum, 335 E. Warren Ave., Detroit, (313) 494-5800/(616) 276-7004

**YOUTH THEATRE**  
"The Secret Garden," New York's Theatreworks/USA turns the classic into a more compassionate play, 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, April 10-11, at the Historic Players Club, 332 E. Jefferson, between Mount Elliott and McDougall across from Harbortown, Detroit, \$10, \$5 includes lunch and show, (810) 662-6111

**AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY**  
Students from Interlochen Arts Academy and their instructors will give workshops and a performance at the Historic Players Club, 332 E. Jefferson, between Mount Elliott and McDougall across from Harbortown, Detroit, \$10, \$5 includes lunch and show, (810) 662-6111

## FAMILY EVENTS

**CELEBRATION BASH**  
Learn to host a children's party, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 18, at the Southfield Civic Center, 26920 Evergreen Road, between 10 and 11 Mile roads, (248) 352-0990

**COLLECTIBLE TOY & MODEL SHOW**  
11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 11, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, \$25, \$15, \$5, \$2 ages 4-12, (734) 455-2110

**KIDS CONCERT**  
Mark Dvorak entertains with action songs and sing-alongs for children ages 4-10, 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 17, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, \$3.25, (248) 494-9022

**LAURENCE**  
Celebrates the release of his new children's CD with a party and performance, 2 p.m. Saturday, April 10, Encore Royale Café, 214 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, Free, All ages, (734) 668-1838

**ROYAL HANNEFORD CIRCUS**  
7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 8, 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 9, 10:30 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 10, and 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday, April 11, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr., Auburn Hills, \$12 and \$8 reserved, \$5 general admission, Discount: \$4 opening night, \$5 Friday matinee, groups of 15 or more receive \$2 off, parking is free; children 12 and younger and seniors ages 65 and older receive \$4 off \$12 and \$8 ticket except the performance on April 8 and 11 a.m. performance on April 9; and Scout groups of 15 or more receive \$12 tickets for the 10:30 a.m. performance on April 10 for \$5, (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacetent.com>

**TINY TOTTS CONCERT**  
By the Detroit Symphony Orchestra with soprano Emily Bennett and mezzo-soprano Barbara Wilde, and storytelling music Nina Kirchner, 10:15 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. Sunday, April 10, ages 3-6, at Mercy High School, 29300 11 Mile Road, at Middlebelt Road,

## BIRMINGHAM MUSICALS

10, April 16-17 and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 18, at Hamilton Elementary School, 5625 Northfield Parkway, Troy, \$10, (248) 879-1285

## BOW WOW CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH

10, April 16-17 and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 18, at The Ritz-Carlton Dearborn, Fairlane Plaza, 3000 Towne Drive, \$150, to benefit the Michigan Humane Society, (248) 852-7420

## "COLLUSION OF COOL"

A celebration of the next century of cutting-edge artists with food, music and art, 5 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, April 17, at the Crankin Academy of Art, 1221 N. Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills, to benefit the graduate art programs, (248) 645-3333

## DETROIT HISTORICAL SOCIETY GUILD

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, April 10-11, all proceeds to benefit Detroit Historical Museum, at Historic Fort Wayne, Free, for parking, (313) 852-7759

## PLANT GOLF MASTERS SHOOTOUT

11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 9-10, until 4 p.m. Sunday, April 12, at Beger's Bay and Golf, 142 E. Walled Lake Dr., Walled Lake, Proceeds of golf ball purchases benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association, (248) 669-1441

## RIDGEPALE PLAYERS

Holds its annual auction 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 17, at the playhouse, 2005 W. Long Lake, between Uviers and Crooks road, Troy, \$15, includes dinner. Proceeds benefit a theater scholarship and building fund, (248) 968-7049

## CONCERTO CONCERT

8 p.m. Friday, April 16, competition winners perform with Eastern Michigan University Symphony Orchestra, at Pease Auditorium, College Place at West Cross, Ypsilanti, Free, (734) 487-2255/(734) 487-4380

## DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Schubert's Symphony No. 8 and Bruckner's Symphony No. 7, 10:45 a.m. Friday, April 16, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 17, and 3 p.m. Sunday, April 18, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit, \$13-\$63, (313) 576-5111

## HARP HEAVEN

University of Michigan harp professor Lynne Aspes directs her students in this annual harp gala, 11 a.m. Saturday, April 10, at Kerrytown Center House, 415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor, \$12, \$5, (734) 769-2999 or [kchq.net](http://kchq.net)

## ITZHAK PERLMAN

7 p.m. Sunday, April 11, at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township, \$55, \$48 students/seniors, (810) 286-2222/(800) 585-3737

## PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

"Reed Finales: A Family Affair" features violinist conductor Russell Reed's sons David (violin) and Robert (cello) on a program of Shostakovich, Brahms and Respighi, 8 p.m. Saturday, April 17 (7 p.m. on Stage chair with food), at Plymouth Salem High School auditorium, 46181 Joy Road at Canton Center Road, Canton, \$12, \$10 seniors/college students, free for students <12, afterglow at Lincoln Park barbeque, \$12, \$10 to ticket holders, (734) 451-2112

## DAVID RUSSELL

The classical guitar virtuoso plays music by Giuliani, Leclair, Paganini, Moriconi, and a selection of Celtic melodies, 4 p.m. Sunday, April 11, at Kerrytown Center House, 415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor, \$30, \$20, \$15, (734) 769-2999 or [kchq.net](http://kchq.net)

## VERMEER STRING QUARTET

8 p.m. Saturday, April 10, program of Haydn, Verdi and Dvorak, in the Ute John-Donner Theater, Oakland Community College, Royal Oak, (248) 737-9980

## FARMINGTON HILLS

10, April 16-17 and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 18, at Hamilton Elementary School, 5625 Northfield Parkway, Troy, \$10, (248) 879-1285

## U-M PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE

8 p.m. Friday, April 16, at First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 45201 Territorial Road, south of M-14, west of Sheldon, \$8, \$7 students/seniors, \$20 families, (248) 380-5940

## ARIANNA STRANG QUARTET

With guest artist Kristy Mallett in Mozart's "Quartet for Oboe, Clarinet, Violin, and Piano," 4 p.m. Sunday, April 11, at Pease Auditorium, College Place and West Cross, on the Eastern Michigan University's campus, Ypsilanti, Free, (734) 487-2255 or [www.emich.edu/music/musicevents.htm](http://www.emich.edu/music/musicevents.htm)

## ATLANTIS TRIO

Jack Schroeder, violin; Penelope Crawford, harpsichord/fortepiano, and Enid Sutherland, cello/viola da gamba, 8 p.m. Friday, April 9, at Kerrytown Center House, 415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor, \$25, \$15, \$10, (734) 769-2999 or [kchq.net](http://kchq.net)

## BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Orchestra and pops conductor Charles Greenwell performs a concert of "Cowboy" music, and guest violinist Adrienne Jacobs, the BBBS's Young Artist Competition winner, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 18, in the Sanctuary at Temple Beth El, 7400 Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills, \$20, \$15 students, (248) 645-2276

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## POPS/SWING

### BIRMINGHAM TEMPLE CABARET

Ann Arbor's Kerrytown Mesdames Deanna Rayla and Julia Duhamel sing songs from and about Paris, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 18, at the temple, 26011 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills, \$18, \$18 seniors, \$12 students, (248) 788-9338/(248) 288-2953

### BOOTS RANDOLPH

8 p.m. Saturday, April 10, at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township, \$24, \$22 seniors/students, (810) 286-2222/(800) 585-3737

### PICTOR BORGE

With the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 8, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 9-10, and 3 p.m. Sunday, April 11, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit, \$13-\$45, (313) 576-5111

### CAPITOL THEATRE

"Lost in the Stars," a revue of some of Broadway's classic musicals and contemporary shows, featuring Tracey Atin and Joe Cardinali, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 9-10 (\$15 adults), and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 11 (\$13 seniors and students), Daniel Patrick Kelly Theatre in the Theater, 121 University Ave., Windsor, Prices Canadian, (519) 255-7729

### COLIN JAMES BIG BAND

8 p.m. Sunday, April 11, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale, \$10 in advance, 18 and older, (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbigband.com>

### THE PHOENIX ENSEMBLE

Presents a new music-theater piece "Relive the Magic: An Evening with Tony Moore," a musical for jazz orchestra inspired by the life, singing and mythology of Frank Sinatra, composer Andy Kravner plays the aging, Sinatra-like crooner Tony Moore, 3 p.m. Sunday, April 11, at the Michigan Theatre, 603 Liberty St., Ann Arbor, \$15, \$10 students, (734) 763-6567

### STARLIGHT DRIFTERS

10:30 p.m. Friday, April 9, Rochester Hills Beer Co., 400 Water St., Rochester, Free, 21 and older, (248) 650-5050 (western swing)

### IN-4 ORCHESTRA

9:11:30 p.m. Thursdays, at the Soup Kitchen, 1585 Franklin, Detroit, (313) 259-1374; 7:30 p.m. Sundays, at the Heidelberg, 215 N. Main, Ann Arbor, \$5, (734) 663-7758

## AUDITIONS

### BW PRODUCTIONS

Auditions for performers, dancers and singers ages 8 and up (males and females) for the semi-musical/comedy gospel drama theatrical stage play "When God Comes Down from Heaven," experience necessary, (313) 865-2375

### "EXTREME GONG"

The Gong Show Network show auditions for acts, 4-6 p.m. Thursday, May 6, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale, Variety acts must be three minutes or less and anyone younger than age 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Accompaniment for any musical act must be acoustic, on cassette tape or compact disc. One act from each city will be flown to Los Angeles to appear live on "Extreme Gong" and get a chance to win a \$50,000 prize package, (312) 214-4520, ext. 26

### NEWCASTLE

Canada's premier competing drum and bugle corps is looking for young performers (ages 14-21) for the upcoming summer tour July-August, (410) 241-0088 or <http://www.newcastle.com>

### SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN ARTS CONSERVATORY

Auditions for ages 10-18 for the conservatory's Theater Performance Ensemble based on "Jack and the Beanstalk," 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 14, students should prepare a two-minute comic monologue, a fee is applicable for class participation if accepted, at the conservatory, 5701 Canton Center Road, (north of Ford Road, off Maben Road), Canton, (734) 453-7590, ext. 315

### STAGECRAFTERS 2ND STAGE

Auditions for Anne Meera's "After-Play" 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, April 19-20 (8:30 p.m. registration), at the Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak, For performances June 18-20, 24-27, (248) 541-4832

## CHORAL

### COMMUNITY CHORAL ASSOCIATION OF TROY

Presents "White Cliffs of Dover," songs of World War II and starring Laine Nelson 8 p.m. Friday, April 16, at Troy High School, 4777 Northfield Hwy., Troy, (810) 878-8408/(248) 435-5307

### EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY CHOIRS

8 p.m. Saturday, April 17, at Pease Auditorium, College Place at West Cross, Ypsilanti, Free, (734) 487-2255/(734) 487-4380

### MADONNA UNIVERSITY CHORALE

Under director David Wagner performs Gabriel Faure's "Requiem," Franz Schubert's "Ave Maria," and the music of Antonio Duffin and Maurice Green, also featured are organist Joanne Vollenoder/Rickards and trumpeter William Beger playing the music of Alan Hovhaness, 4 p.m. Sunday, April 11, at Historic Christ Church, 950 E. Jefferson, Detroit, \$8, \$5 students/seniors, (313) 432-5708

### MEADOW BROOK ESTATE

Show choir presentation "Set the Night to Music" a program of song and dance 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 9-10; 3 p.m. Sunday, April 11, Varner Recital Hall,

## Oakland University Campus, Rochester.

Tickets \$12 general, \$10 seniors, \$5 students call (248) 370-3013 or (248) 645-6666.

## JAZZ

### RON BROOKS TRIO

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 9-10, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor, \$5, 21 and older, (734) 662-8310

### JUDI COCHILL

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, April 9, at Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham, No cover, (248) 646-2150 (vocal/piano/bass/drums)

### EMU JAZZ ENSEMBLE/THE COURTIERS

8 p.m. Saturday, April 10, at Pease Auditorium, College Place at West Cross, on the Eastern Michigan University campus, Ypsilanti, \$10, \$8 seniors, \$5 students, to raise funds for the university's jazz program, (734) 487-2255 or [www.emich.edu/publi/music/musicseve.htm](http://www.emich.edu/publi/music/musicseve.htm)

### GALACTIC

9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 15, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor, \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door, 19 and older, (734) 966-8555 or <http://www.96music.com>

### GIACOMO DATES