

8 days a week

A Guide to entertainment in the Metro Detroit area

THEATER

CENTURY THEATRE: "Always...Patsy Cline" continues at the theater, Detroit. \$12-25-\$17.25 through Tuesday, March 7, \$24.50-\$34.50 beginning Wednesday, March 8. (313) 963-9800/(248) 645-6666.

DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE: "Valley Song," through Sunday, March 19, 8:30 p.m. Thursdays, Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays, at the theater, Detroit. \$15. (313) 868-1347.

FOX THEATRE: "Smokey Joe's Cafe" starring Gladys Knight opens Tuesday, Feb. 29 and continues through Sunday, March 5, at the Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$20-\$45. (248) 433-1515.

GEM THEATRE: "Escanaba in da Moonlight," a comedy by Jeff Daniels, through March 26, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sundays, at the theater, 33 Madison Ave., Detroit. \$24.50-\$34.50. (313) 963-9800.

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE: "All My Sons" continues to Sunday, March 5, at the theater, Rochester. \$24-\$35. (248) 377-3300.

COLLEGE

U-D THEATRE COMPANY: "The Dumb Waiter and More" continues to Feb. 27, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, in the OnStage Theatre on the University of Detroit campus. \$10. \$2 with ID, call for seniors/students with ID. (313) 993-1130.

WSU BONSTELLE: "The Skin of Our Teeth" Friday-Sunday, Feb. 25-27 and March 3-5, at the theater, Detroit. (313) 577-2960.

WSU HILBERRY: "Five by Tenn" opens March 10 continues to May 6, at the theater, Detroit. (313) 577-2972.

COMMUNITY THEATRE

FARMINGTON PLAYERS: Perform John Steinbeck's "Of Mice and Men" 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 24-26, at the Farmington Players Barn, Farmington and Orchard Lake roads. \$12. (248) 553-2955.

PLANET ANT: "Comedy of Errors," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Feb. 25-26, March 3-4, March 10-11 and March 17-18, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, Feb. 25 and 26, and 7 p.m. Sundays, Feb. 27 and March 5, and 12 and 19, at the theater, Hamtramck. \$10. (313) 365-4948.

PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN: "Nightwatch" 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 3-4, 10-11 and 17-18, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, March 12, at the theater, Dearborn. \$11. (313) 561-7175.

PLOWSHARES THEATRE COMPANY: "A Soldier's Play" continues through Sunday, Feb. 27, 7:30 p.m. Thursdays-Fridays, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturdays, and 6 p.m. Sundays, at Detroit's Holistic Development Center. \$15-\$18. (313) 872-0279.

PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD: "Oliver," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 25-26 and March 3-4, and 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, at the Water Tower Theatre, Northville. \$12. \$8 students. (248) 349-7110.

STAGECRAFTERS: "Forever Plaid," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 25-26, March 3-4 and 10-11, and 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27 and March 5, and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 12, at the Baldwin Theatre, Royal Oak. \$9. (248) 541-6430.

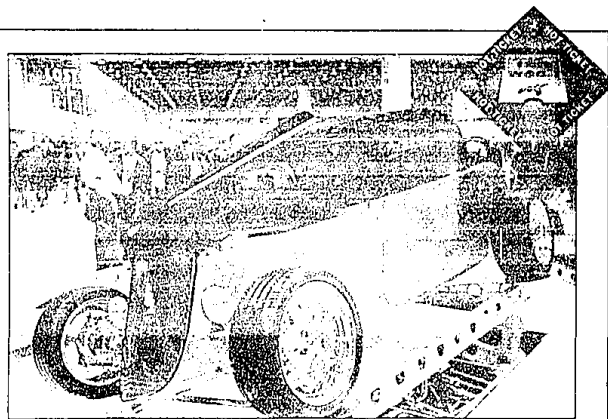
THEATRE GUILD OF LIVONIA: "Redford: 'Godspell'" continues through Saturday, March 11, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays, at the theater, Redford. \$12. (313) 531-0554.

TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS: "A Chorus Line," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 25-26 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, at Scottish Rite Cathedral Theatre in Masonic Temple, Detroit. (313) 535-8962.

DINNER THEATRE

SIACI THEATRE: "Flanagan's Wake," 8 p.m. Thursdays-Fridays, and 10 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sundays. \$25 Thursdays and Saturdays, and \$30 Fridays-Saturdays, and "Tony n' Tina's Wedding," 7:30 p.m. Thursdays-Fridays, 4:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sundays, at 40 W. Pike, Fontaine. (248) 745-8668/(248) 645-6666.

FOX LAIR DINNER THEATRE: Presents "Murder at the Howard Johnson's," a hilarious comedy



Hot Rod Heaven: Custom cars like this 1934 Ford Highboy Coupe are among 800 exhibits on display at the 48th annual Big Kmart Detroit Autorama, Friday-Sunday, Feb. 25-27 at Cobo Center in Detroit. The show features customized cars, trucks, vans, motorcycles, hot rods and celebrity appearances. Admission \$12.50 adults, children under 12, \$5, children under 3, free. Call (248) 650-5560.

runs Saturday nights only, 6 p.m. cocktails, 7 p.m. dinner (show follows), at Fox Hills Golf Club, Plymouth. \$29.95. (734) 453-7272.

RAMADA HOTEL DINNER THEATRE: "Fools," a comic farce by Neil Simon, opened Thursday, evening Feb. 3 and continues on alternate Thursdays, 7 p.m. dinner, show follows, at the theater, Southfield. \$25. (248) 544-0283.

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

PUPPETART: "Kolobok," the Russian version of "The Gingerbread Man," 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, at the Detroit Puppet Theatre. \$7, \$5 children. (313) 961-7777.

YOUTHTEATRE: "Ishangi African Dancers" 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27 at Music Hall, Detroit. \$8 advance, \$9 at door. (313) 963-2366.

SPECIAL EVENTS

CABARET EVENING: Features Grosse Pointe Memorial Church soloists singing music from Broadway and movie scores 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. \$35, includes dinner, must be purchased by Sunday, Feb. 20. (313) 882-5330.

JAZZ JAMBALAYA: New Orleans style with jazz by the Ron English Trio 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, at the Rochester Community House. \$15. (248) 651-0622.

MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION: "Put a Little Jazz in Your Life," 7 p.m. Saturday, March 4, dance the night away to the sounds of Tom Saunders and the Detroit All-Stars Band and enjoy delicious New Orleans cuisine, vocal choir Scool Jazz will also perform, in the Waterman Center on the Schoolcraft College campus, Livonia. \$30 if purchased before Friday, \$35 afterwards. (734) 462-4417/(734) 462-4435.

MOTOR CITY EXTRAVAGANZA: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, at the Knights of Columbus, Livonia. \$2. (248) 426-8059.

OUTDOORAMA: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturdays, Feb. 26 and March 4, until 6 p.m. Sundays Feb. 27 and March 5, 3-9 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Feb. 28-29 and Thursday-Friday, March 2-3 and noon to 9 p.m. Wednesday, March 1, at the Novi Expo Center. \$6.50, \$3 ages 12 and under. (800) 777-6720.

FAMILY EVENTS

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERT: The Detroit Symphony Orchestra performs Beethoven, Dvorak, Sousa, Tchaikovsky and Berlioz, 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, at Orchestra Hall. (313) 576-5111.

BENEFITS

JAZZ DANCE THEATRE: a dance concert featuring established repertory works and a recent premiere 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 24, at the Power Center for the Performing Arts, Ann Arbor. \$12. \$8 students/terrors. (734) 995-

3242.

RACKHAM SYMPHONY CHORUS: Present "Hearts & Voices for the Homeless" concert to benefit Doorstep Homeless Shelter, 8 p.m. Friday, March 3, at St. Lucy Catholic Church, St. Clair Shores. \$10 recommended donation. (313) 343-3466/(810) 447-4221.

CLASSICAL

DEARBORN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: "Hocus Pocus" concert features flutist Marianne Gedigian 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 25 at Edsel Ford High School, Dearborn. \$16, \$2 students. (313) 565-2424.

DEBUSSY QUARTET: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, at the Henry Ford Estate at Fair Lane, Dearborn. (313) 593-5330.

DETROIT SYMPHONY CIVIC ORCHESTRA: Perform Mozart, Haydn and Beethoven 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$4. (313) 576-5111.

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Violinist Emilio Oliveira performs 8 p.m. Thursday, March 2, 10:45 a.m. Friday, March 3, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, March 4, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$14-\$50. (313) 576-5111.

JOEL HASTINGS: The pianist performs 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 25, at Metropolitan United Methodist Church, Detroit. (313) 875-7407.

MADONNA UNIVERSITY: The faculty performs a recital 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, in Kresge Hall on campus, Livonia. \$5, and supports the music scholarship fund. (734) 432-5700.

TIANO STRING QUARTET: 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 25, at Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor. \$10-\$25. (734) 769-2999.

OPERA

CANTON PROJECT ARTS: Presents the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, a special presentation of the history of opera in America precedes the concert at 2:30 p.m., an artists reception follows the concert, at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. \$15. (734) 397-6450.

COMIC OPERA GUILD: "Carmen" 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 24-26 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, at the Lydia Mendelsohn Theatre, Ann Arbor. \$18, \$10 seniors, \$7 students/children. (734) 973-3264.

POPS/SWING

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Pops with Sandy Duncan, 10:45 a.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 24, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 25-26, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$14-\$47. (313) 576-5111.

JIM PARAVANTES & COMPANY: "Frank Sinatra Tribute," 8:30 p.m. to midnight, Fridays-Saturdays through February, at Andiamo Italia West, 6676 Telegraph Road at Maple, Bloomfield H. (248) 865-9300.

AUDITIONS

AVON PLAYERS: "Moon Over Buffalo" 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 3-4, 10-11 and 17-18 and Thursday, March 16, and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 5 and 12, at title

Theater, Rochester Hills. \$13. (248) 608-9077.

BROADWAY KIDS 2000: Open auditions for boys and girls ages 8 and up, 3-6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, proper dance attire required, in room 107A of Jewish Community Center, West Bloomfield. For performances April 16 and 30 and May 7 and 14. (248) 354-0545/(248) 352-2797.

DESTINATION EARTH LLC: An independent production company is seeking extras for the science fiction film "Nobody Knows." Filming will take place in Detroit and surrounding cities in late February and early March. The film is about a man from the year 2039 who appears in Texas on the day of the Kennedy assassination, Nov. 22, 1963. He is able to prevent the murder of the president and as a result, history changes in surprising different ways. For more information, call Nicole Sylvestre (248) 980-8504.

NOVI THEATRE'S CHILDREN'S ANNEX (AGES 10-13): "Charlotte's Web," 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 24, Novi Civic Center. Production dates May 19-21; actors must pay \$125 participation fee once cast. (248) 347-0400.

RIDGEPALE PLAYERS: Auditions for "Moon Over the Brewery" 7 p.m. Monday, March 6, at the playhouse, Troy. For performances May 5-21. (248) 549-8553.

SOLO CONCERTO COMPETITION: The Bohemians Club (also known as The Musicians Club of Greater Detroit), hosts its competition for orchestral instruments (high school and college students ages 16-22), must submit performance tape by April 1. For application, e-mail: Coughlin@aol.com.

STAGECRAFTERS: Auditions for "The King & I" noon Sunday, Feb. 27 (registration at 11 a.m.), at the Baldwin Theatre, Royal Oak. For performances May 12-14, 18-21, 25-26, and May 31-June 4. (248) 541-8632.

THEATRE GUILD OF LIVONIA: REDFORD: is searching for directors, choreographers, musical directors, and all others interested in musical comedy theater. Call (313) 531-0554 for information, or deliver resumes and letters of interest to the Theatre Guild, 15138 Beech Daly, across from the Township Hall in Redford.

VILLAGE PLAYERS OF BIRMINGHAM: Auditions for "Forever Plaid," requires 4 strong male vocalists, 7:30 p.m. Sunday and Tuesday, March 5 and 7, at the theater. For performances May 12-27. (248) 540-6950.

VOICES IN TIME: Has a limited number of openings in all voice parts, rehearsals for spring/summer season begin in late February. (248) 449-6540.

CHORAL

CAITRA ACADEMY: 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. \$15, \$12 seniors/students. (248) 358-9868.

RENAISSANCE CHORUS: "Through the Years," a performance of barbershop harmony 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, March 4 at Clarenceville High School Auditorium, Livonia. \$12 at the door, \$11 adults and \$10 students in advance. (734) 421-1425.

JAZZ

AMIGO: 8:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 25, at Edison's, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150.

BROTHERS GROOVE: 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 24, at Edison's, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150.

TODD CURTIS: Thursdays, at Ello's, Birmingham. (248) 647-2420.

KENNY GARETT QUARTET: With Kurt Eiling Quartet 8 p.m. Friday, March 3, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$16-\$62. (313) 576-5111.

GEM JAZZ TRIO: Performs 7-11 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, at the Gent's Club Restaurant, Detroit. (313) 963-9800.

MATT MICHAELS TRIO: With vocal-ist Sunny Wilkinson 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 23, at Ron's Fireside Inn, Garden City. \$5 cover. Reservations recommended for the Jazz Room. (734) 762-7758.

MARK MOULTRIP: 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, at Edison's, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-1150.

HIGH K. TRIO: 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, at Big Fish, Dearborn. (313) 336-6350.

JANET TENAI TRIO: 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 25, at Tom's Oyster Bar, Southfield. (248) 356-8881.

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

JACKIE ROUSH: The punk-folk artist performs Friday, Feb. 25 at the Grand Cafe, Farmington. Free. www.JackieRough.com

POETRY/SPOKEN WORD

POETRY NIGHT: Presented by Third Eye Production 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 25, at Truth Bookstore, Southfield. (248) 557-4824.

POETRY SOCIETY OF MICHIGAN: Workshop for poets looking for more members, 2-4 p.m. third Tuesday of month, in the Jenkins rooms on the third floor of the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road. (734) 762-7586.

DANCE

ADVANCED CONTRA DANCE: 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 25, at the Pittsfield Grange, Ann Arbor. \$7. (734) 665-8863/(734) 426-0241.

STARDUST BALLROOM: Dance parties 9 p.m. Fridays, lessons also available, at the dance studio, 28651 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield. \$5. (248) 358-5678.

SWING DANCE CLASSES: 5-9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, at Wonderland Mall, Livonia. (734) 522-4100.

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY DANCE: "Approaching Extremes," the 71st annual Spring Dance Concert features works by the Detroit Dance Collective, Alice Danielson & Dancers, Eric Willard-Perkins, and Kirk/Chavez/Parks, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 25-26, at Music Hall for the Performing Arts, Detroit. (313) 577-4273.

COMEDY

ELDORADO COUNTRY CLUB: Jim McLean with Gary George and Dee Pleeten 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 25-26, at the club, Commerce Twp. (248) 824-1050.

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB: Brad Lowrey Wednesday-Saturday, Feb. 23-26, also Randy Eply and Rich Higginbottom; Steve McGraw, and Kirk Noland Wednesday-Saturday, March 1-4, at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, Livonia. 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Third Level Improv and new talent nights, 8 p.m. Sundays. (313) 264-0555.

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S: Victoria Jackson Friday-Sunday, Feb. 25-27, at the club, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885.

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE: Brad Upton Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 24-26, at the club, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9900.

SECOND CITY: "Paradigm Lost" 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday; additional shows 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday at 10:30 p.m. The 10:30 p.m. shows, and 8 p.m. shows

Wednesday-Thursday, and Sunday, are followed by an improv set at no additional cost. \$10. Wednesday-Thursday, and Sunday: \$17.50 Friday, \$19.50 on Saturday. (313) 965-2222, (248) 645-6666 or online at www.ticketmaster.com.

SECOND CITY TOURING COMPANY: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 3-4, at the Farmington Players Barn, Farmington Hills. \$25. (248) 553-2955.

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

ANN ARBOR HAND-ON MUSEUM: Offers more than 250 interactive exhibits intended to make science fun, at the museum, Ann Arbor. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. \$8. \$4 children/seniors/students. (734) 995-5439.

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM: "On the Air! Michigan Radio & Television Broadcasting 1920-2000" exhibit continues through Sunday, April 30, at the museum, Detroit. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Free admission Wednesdays: \$3 for adults, \$1.50 seniors and children aged 12-16, free for children ages 11 and younger Thursdays-Sundays. (313) 833-1605 or <http://www.detroithistorical.org>.

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER: IMAX movies include "Tropical Rainforest" at 10 a.m. Mondays-Fridays, "Thrill Ride: The Science of Fun" at 1 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, and "Everest" and "Whales" multiple showings seven days a week, at the center, noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays and 4 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sundays, the center, Detroit. Admission to Exhibit Hall is \$3 for adults, \$2 for children ages 3-15 and adults ages 60 and older, free for children ages 2 and younger. IMAX films are additional \$4. (313) 577-8400.

DETROIT 200: Mosaic Youth Theatre performs works about amphibians 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Tuesdays through March 25 in the Wildlife Interpretive Gallery Theatre; the exhibit, "Inside/Outside: The Art of Caring" continues through Jan. 2. In the Wildlife Interpretive Gallery at the zoo, Royal Oak. \$7.50, \$5.50 seniors/students, \$4.50 ages 2-12. (248) 398-0903.

DOSSIN GREAT LAKES MUSEUM: Visit the newest exhibition "Folk Art of the Great Lakes" or "Racing on the Wind: Sailing on the Great Lakes," also a temporary exhibit on the construction and launch of the S.S. Edmund Fitzgerald, at the museum on Belle Isle, Detroit. Regular admission \$2, \$1 seniors/children ages 12-18 during the hours of 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday. (313) 852-4051.

HENRY FORD MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE: Celebrates Black History Month, at the museum, Dearborn. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, \$12.50, \$11.50 seniors, \$7.50 kids 5-12, members and children under 5 free. (313) 271-1620.

MEADOW BROOK HALL: Tours of the 110-room historic mansion built by Mattilda Dodge Wilson, widow of auto pioneer John Dodge and her second husband Alfred C. Wilson. 1:30 p.m. daily and 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Sundays; on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester. \$8. \$6 seniors, \$4 children ages 5-12. (248) 370-3140.

ROCHESTER HILLS MUSEUM: "A Stitch in Time" quilt exhibit continues through Saturday, Feb. 26, at the museum at Van Hoesen Farm, Rochester Hills. \$3, \$2 seniors/students. (248) 656-4663.

SPIRIT OF FORD: Interactive automotive science and technology experience with exhibits and theaters for all ages, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday through February, open Mondays beginning in March, across from Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village, Dearborn. \$5, \$5 seniors, \$4 ages 5-12. (313) 371-7474.

U-M MUSEUM OF ART: "The Orchid Pavilion Gathering," an exhibit of 60 Chinese works spanning nearly 900 years continues to Sunday, March 28. Chinese Lantern Festival features hands-on activities and performances to celebrate Chinese art and culture 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, at the museum, Ann Arbor. Free, but a \$5 donation is suggested. Call (734) 764-0395 or visit the Web site at www.umlimch.org -umma/

LIVE MUSIC

ALBERTA ADAMS: 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 10-11, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4999.

BRYAN ADAMS: 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 3, State Theatre, Detroit. \$29.50-\$39.50. (313) 961-MELT.

THE ALLIATORS: 10 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 24, Memphis Smoke, Royal Oak. (248) 543-4300 (blue).