

8 days a week

A Guide to entertainment in the Metro Detroit area

THEATER

CENTURY THEATRE: "Always...Patsy Cline" continues to Aug. 27, at the theater, Detroit. \$24.50-\$34.50. (313) 963-0900/(248) 645-6666

FISHER THEATRE: "Cabaret" continues to Sunday, May 14, at the theater, Detroit. \$35-\$65. (248) 645-6666

GEM THEATRE: "Escanaba in da Moonlight," a comedy by Jeff Daniels, through June 25, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesday, 2 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, 33 Madison Ave., Detroit. \$24.50-\$34.50. (313) 963-9800

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE: "Crimes of the Heart" continues to Sunday, May 14, at the theater, Rochester. \$24-\$35. (248) 377-3300

COLLEGE

WSU HILBERRY: "The Marriage of Figaro" runs in rotating repertory to Saturday, May 20; "Five by Tenn" continues to May 6, at the theater, Detroit. \$11-\$18. (313) 577-2972

COMMUNITY THEATRE

AVON PLAYERS: "Sweeney Todd," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 5-6 and May 12-13 and Thursday-Saturday, May 18-20, and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at the theater, Rochester Hills. \$15; student/senior/group rates available. (248) 606-9077

COMMUNITY THEATRE OF HOWELL: "Brigadoon," Saturday-Sunday, May 13-14, and Friday-Sunday, May 19-21, at McPherson Middle School. \$12. \$10 seniors/children. (517) 545-1290

EMPATHETHEATRE: 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 12, at Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor. \$15. \$12, \$8 students/seniors. (734) 913-9733

FARMINGTON PLAYERS: "Kiss Me Kate," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 5-6, Thursday-Saturday, May 11-13 and May 18-20, and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 7, 14, 21, and 27, at the barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. \$15. (248) 553-2955

GROSSE POINTE THEATRE: "West Side Story," 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, May 4-6, and Thursday-Saturday, May 11-13 and 18-20, and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 7 and 14, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Fries Auditorium. \$16. (313) 891-4004

JACK-IN-THE-BOX: "The Butler Did It," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 5-6, and 7 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at the University of Michigan Dearborn School of Management Building, Auditorium B. \$10 at door, \$9 advance, seniors/students \$8 at door, \$7 advance. (734) 797-JACK

ROCHESTER COMMUNITY PLAYERS: "Guys and Dolls," 8 p.m. Saturday, May 6; 2 p.m. Sunday, May 7; and 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 12-13, Upstage Theater, 21728 Grand River, Old Redford area of Detroit. \$13. (313) 537-7716 or (313) 532-4010

PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD: "Seabiscuit," a comedy by Marshall Karp, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 5-6, May 12-13 and May 19-20, and 6 p.m. Sunday, May 14, Water Tower Theater on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile Road, west of Haggerty. Tickets \$10, \$7 children ages 18 and under. (248) 349-7110

PONTIAC THEATRE IV: "Anne Warbucks," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 5-6 and 12-13, and 2 p.m. Saturday, May 13, at Pontiac Northern High School. \$8, \$7 seniors/students. (248) 681-6215/(248) 377-9039

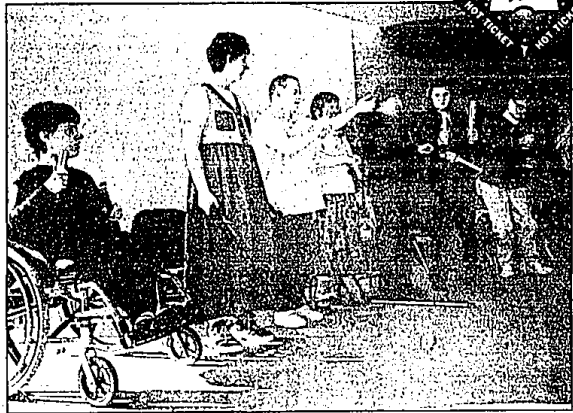
STAGECRAFTERS: "The Ring and I," opens May 12 and continues to June 4, American Sign Language performance Thursday, May 25, at the Baldwin Theater, Royal Oak. \$14-\$16. (248) 541-6430

DINNER THEATRE

MICHIGAN STAR CLIPPER DINNER TRAIN: "Angelina" and Bo's Comedy Wedding," presented by Theatre Arts Productions, 5 p.m. Sundays. Tickets \$69.50 per person, includes 3 hour train ride, five course dinner, and entertainment. (248) 960-9440

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

NOVI THEATRE CHILDREN'S ANNE: "Charlotte's Web," 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 19-20, and 3 p.m. Sunday, May 21, at the



Staff Photo by Bob Bessner

Special artists: The Fine Chimes are just one of the groups performing at the VSA Arts Festival 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, May 5, and noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 6, at Wonderland Mall, Plymouth Road and Middlebelt, Livonia. More than 150 musicians and dancers with special needs will celebrate the skills they learn in VSA Arts programs throughout the year. Founded by Jean Kennedy Smith in conjunction with the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, VSA Arts (formerly known as Very Special Arts) provides programs in dance, music, drama and the visual arts for persons with disabilities. For more information, call (248) 646-3347.

Novi Civic Center Stage, \$10, \$8 advance. (248) 347-0400
PUPPETART: "Crane Malden, a Japanese tale with marionettes and puppets in traditional Japanese costumes and masks, 2 p.m. Saturday, May 6, 13, 20 and 27, at the Detroit Puppet Theater, 25 E. Grand River. \$7, \$5 children. (313) 961-7777
TEDE E. BEAR PRODUCTIONS: Nancy Guriin presents "Broadway Kids 2000," a new musical review, 2 p.m. Sunday, May 7 and May 14, Aaron DeRooy Studio Theatre at the Jewish Community Center, West Bloomfield. \$10, \$9 seniors, \$8 children. (248) 352-7172/(248) 354-0545
MOSSAIC YOUTH THEATRE OF DETROIT: "Crossing 8 Mile" 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 5-6; 2 p.m. Sunday, May 7, Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts. \$15 adult, \$11 student/seniors, \$8 ages 18 and under. (248) 645-6666. (313) 554-1422

SPECIAL EVENTS

BLUES CLUES LIVE: Join Blue, Steve and friends on a quest for the most spectacular place, 10 performances, times vary, Thursday-Sunday, May 4-7, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$14.50-\$25.50, includes notebook and crayon. (248) 433-1515
COLLECTIBLE TOY SHOW: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at the Plymouth Cultural Center. \$5, under age 10 free. (734) 455-2110
FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS: Farmington area arts organizations present art exhibits, concerts, theater, dance and poetry readings, through Sunday, May 7, at William M. Costick Activities Center, 28600 Eleven Mile Road (gate four), Farmington Hills. (248) 473-1816
FIFTH OF MAY - NIGHT OF ART: Annual Cinco de Mayo, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, May 4, at Detroit Public Library's Bowen Branch. (313) 843-9598/(313) 842-7010
ICE COMPANY 200: Spotlights more than 100 skaters, 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, May 11-13, and noon 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sunday, May 14, at the Southfield Sports Arena. \$8.50-\$9.50. (248) 354-9357
MEET YOUR BEST FRIEND: At the Detroit Zoo during an adoption weekend with animals from the Michigan Humane Society and 18 other local animal welfare organizations including Horses Haven and Rabbit Rescue, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, May 6-7, at the zoo, Royal Oak. (248) 398-0900
MUSIC: A LIFE FOR THE CENTURY: The Birmingham Musicale and Farmington Musicale present free concerts by school choruses and instrumental groups

(elementary through high school), adult professional and amateur soloists and ensembles, and community choruses, Sunday-May 7 to Thursday, May 11 during regular hours, at Tel-Twelve Mall, Southfield.
SHOW N' SHINE CAR SHOW: Featuring hundreds of street rods, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 7, Riverside Park, Ypsilanti. (734) 483-4444

BENEFITS

CELEBRATING LIFE: A Broadway-style review performed by the cast of "Cabaret" with Lead Thompson, 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 8, at Temple Israel, West Bloomfield. \$36, \$72, to benefit Michigan Jewish AIDS Coalition and Broadway Cares: Equity Fights AIDS. (248) 594-6522

FAMILY EVENTS

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERT: The Detroit Symphony Orchestra presents "Beyond the Galaxy" 11 a.m. Saturday, May 6, at Orchestra Hall. \$8-\$31. (313) 576-5111

CLASSICAL

DETROIT SYMPHONY CIVIC SYMPHONIA: Concert features a performance of Faust overture, written by 14-year-old Colin Tucker, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at Orchestra Hall. \$4-\$5. (313) 576-5111

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Highlights from Richard Wagner's Ring Cycle, 8 p.m. Friday, May 5, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, May 6, and 3 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at Orchestra Hall. \$19-\$50. (313) 576-5111

FORD HONORS PROGRAM: Tribute to Isak Stern 7 p.m. Friday, May 5 at Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. (734) 764-2538

MICHAEL GEORGE: The classical guitarist performs 8 p.m. Saturday, May 6, at Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor. (734) 769-2999

OPERA

VERDI OPERA THEATRE OF MICHIGAN: The finals of the sixth annual Italian Songs and Arias Vocal Competition for Michigan high school students takes place 4 p.m. Sunday, May 7 at the Italian American Cultural Center in Warren. \$7. \$5 seniors/high school students. (734) 455-8895/(810) 761-2855

AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

DREAM CATCHER YOUTH CHOR: Auditions for new members 4-6 p.m. Saturday, May 6, at Immanuel

Lutheran Church, Macomb Township. (810) 296-5583
JUNIOR ACTORS OF RIDGEDALE: Auditions for "You Can't Take It With You," 2 p.m. Saturday, May 6, at the theater, Troy. (248) 398-2725

MICHIGAN THEATRE AND DANCE TROUPE: Open auditions for dancers age 16 and older. (248) 552-5001

PLOWSHARES THEATRE: Performing Arts Training Workshop begins Monday, May 1 and runs to June 19, at the Hermitage Museum & Fine Arts Center, Detroit. \$150. (313) 872-0279

RIDGEDALE PLAYERS: Auditions for "Taming of the Shrew" 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 22, at the theater, Troy. (248) 682-2175

TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS: Performing arts sessions continue to Saturday, June 3, at Masonic Temple, Detroit. (313) 535-8962

CHORAL

ANN ARBOR CANTATA SINGERS: 7 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at First Presbyterian Church, Ann Arbor. \$10, \$5 seniors/students. (734) 476-4803

ANN ARBOR CONSORT: 2 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at Holy Trinity Chapel, Ypsilanti. \$10, \$7 seniors/students. (734) 665-7823

DETROIT CONCERT CHOIR: "Opera Stars Tonight," soloists and full chorus perform highlights from your favorite operas, 8 p.m. Friday, May 12, Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, Grosse Pointe Farms. 8 p.m. Saturday, May 13, St. Hugo of the Hills Church, Bloomfield Hills. "Meet the Artists Reception" follows each concert. \$15 adults, \$10 seniors and students. (313) 882-0118

FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CHORUS: It's a Grand Night For Singing 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 5-6, Farmington High School on Shawwassee Road, west of Orchard Lake Road. (248) 788-5322 or www.farmingtonchorus.com

CHORUS: Presented by the Community Concert Association of Troy, 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, Athens High School, 4333 John R. Troy. Tickets \$15 at the door. (810) 979-8406 or (248) 435-5307

QIMBLE: The 14-voice coed a cappella ensemble from the University of Michigan performs 7 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at Newburg United Methodist church, Livonia. A free will offering will be taken. (734) 455-7427/(734) 422-0149

MADRIGAL CHORALE OF SOUTHFIELD: "Movie Magic," 4 p.m. Sunday, May 7, St. Hugo of the Hills, Stone Chapel, 2215 Opdyke Road, Bloomfield Hills. \$15. (810) 445-6199

OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE MASTERWORKS CHORALE: Give their spring concert, "Your Ticket

to Broadway," 8 p.m. Friday, May 5, at First Presbyterian Church of Farmington Hills. Suggested donation is \$5, \$12 for a family of 3 or more. (248) 522-3590

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS: Spring concert, Touched by Song, 8 p.m. Friday, May 5 and 7 p.m. Saturday, May 6 at First Church of The Nazarene, Novi. \$8. Call (734) 455-4080

PLYMOUTH ORATORIO SOCIETY: Performs the music of Handel and Rutter, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 6, at First United Methodist Church, Plymouth. A free-will offering will be taken (\$5 suggested donation). (734) 455-8585

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHOIR: 7 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, Livonia. Free, but donations will be accepted during intermission. (734) 462-4435

COMMUNITY CONCERTS

DAVID SYME: 3 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. \$8. (248) 424-9022

FARMINGTON COMMUNITY BAND: 3 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at the Wm. Costick Activity Center, Farmington Hills. Free. (734) 261-2202/(248) 489-3412

MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND: 3 p.m. Sunday, May 14, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. \$10, \$8 students/seniors, \$25 a family. (248) 788-6618/(248) 424-9022

ORGAN

SCOTT POPPIANO: Performs the music of Bach, Langlais, Vivaldi, Gidroy, Chopin and Mendelssohn, 9 p.m. Friday, May 5, at Metropolitan United Methodist Church, Detroit. (313) 875-7407

POPS/SWING

JIM PARAVANTES & COMPANY: 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday through May, at Andiamo Italia West, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 885-9300

DAVID SYME: Performs at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 3 p.m. Sunday, May 3. Tickets \$8, and include opportunity to meet David Syne after the concert. (248) 424-9041

JAZZ

SPENCER BAREFIELD: With Richard Davis, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, May 11-13, at the Harlequin Cafe, Detroit. \$10. (313) 331-0922

BESS BONNIER SEPTET: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 6, at Grosse Pointe Utrinitian Church. \$15, includes afterflow. (313) 885-4939

DETROIT BLUES SOCIETY AWARD PRESENTATION: With performance by Tempe Ted, 2:30-6 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at the Attle Bar, Hamtramck. Free. (313) 365-4194

ANN DYER: The West Coast vocal list performs 8 p.m. Friday, May 5, at the Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor. \$10-\$25. (734) 769-2999

GEM JAZZ TRIO: Performs 7-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, at the Century Club Restaurant, Detroit. (313) 963-9800

DICK HYMAN: The jazz pianist performs improvisations of Great American Songs, 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, May 6, at the Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor. \$15-\$30. (734) 769-2999

BRAD MEHLDAU TRIO: 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Thursday, May 4, at the Bird of Paradise, 312 S. Main (new address), Ann Arbor. \$15 advance, \$20 at door. (734) 682-8310

MARTY MONTGOMERY & DOUBLETAKES: 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 5-6, at Tom's Oyster Bar, Southfield. (248) 356-8881

TAMPA TED & THE BLUE KNIGHTS: 4 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at the Attle Bar, Hamtramck. Free. (313) 365-4194

ALEXANDER ZONJIC: 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at Tiffany's, Detroit. (313) 964-8900

URSULA WALKER/GUDDY BURSORE: With Dan Kotton, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, at Giovanni's, Pontiac. (248) 334-5241

SUNNY WILKINSON: 9:30 p.m. 11 p.m. and 12:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, May 5-6, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$7. (734) 682-8310

FOLK/ BLUEGRASS

JOHN LAUTER: Joins with the Fiddlers Philharmonic to present "A Little Bit of Bluegrass/Country" 8 p.m. Saturday, May 6, at the Historic Redford Theatre, Detroit.

\$10. (313) 531-4407

DANCE

WATERFORD-OAKS BALLROOM DANCING: 8-11 p.m. Friday, May 5. (248) 673-4764
EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE: "Motown in Motion," 8 p.m. Friday, May 5, at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Clinton Township. \$18-\$22. (810) 288-2222

COMEDY

FARMINGTON CIVIC THEATRE: Soupy Sales and Mary Welch, 8 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sunday, May 7, Farmington Civic Theatre. \$25. (248) 473-7777

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB: at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, Livonia. Andre Fernandes, 8 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, May 3-4; 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 5-6. Third Level Improv and new talent nights, 8 p.m. Sunday (58). (734) 261-0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S: Vic Dilibetto, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 5-7, 7 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at the club, Dearborn. Tickets \$12 Friday-Saturday, \$10 Sunday, dinner show package \$24.95 Friday-Saturday, \$22.95 Sunday. (313) 584-8885

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE: John Heffron, also Michael Jr. Thursday-Saturday, May 4-6, at the club, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9900
SECOND CITY: "Paradigm Lost" 8 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday; 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

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

ANN ARBOR HANDS-ON MUSEUM: WalkWorks, a self-directed exploration of the exhibit galleries that invites families and young visitors to become Super Sleuths; the 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, \$6, \$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. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Free admission Wednesdays; \$3, \$1.50 seniors/children ages 12-18, free for children ages 11 and younger Thursdays-Sundays. (313) 833-1805

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER: IMAX movies include "Tropical Rainforest," "Thrill Ride: The Science of Fun," "Whales," "Mysteries of Egypt" and "Everest," at the theater, 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

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: at the museum in Dearborn. Open 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 G. Wilson, 1:30 p.m. daily and 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Oakland University campus, Rochester. \$8, \$6 seniors, \$4 children ages 5-12. (248) 370-3149

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM: New exhibit, "American Vacations & Leisure," continues through August, 7:30 p.m. at the museum, Plymouth. \$3, \$1 students, \$7 fam-