

8 days a week

A Guide to entertainment in the Metro Detroit area

THEATER

CENTURY THEATRE: *Mind Games* continues through July 29, at the theater, Detroit. \$24.50-\$34.50. (313) 963-9800

DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE: *Moms Mabley: The Naked Truth* continues to March 18, at the theater, Detroit. \$15. (313) 868-1347

FISHER THEATRE: *Tellulah* continues to Sunday, March 4, 8 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, at the theater, Detroit. \$30-\$47.50. (248) 645-6666

REGIME: The musical opens March 27 and continues to April 15 (\$35-\$75); Rob Becker's *Defending the Caveman* April 18-29 (\$35-\$45).

FOX THEATRE: *Smoochy Joe's Cafe*, starring Gladys Knight, March 27-April 1, at the theater. Showtimes vary. \$23.75-\$38.75. (313) 993-6811

GEM THEATRE: *The Tropical Pickle* continues through Aug. 26, at the Gem Theatre, Detroit. \$24.50-\$36.50. (313) 963-9800

MASONIC TEMPLE THEATRE: *Disney's Beauty and the Beast* Thursday-Sunday, Feb. 22-25; *The Civil War* starring Larry Gatlin Wednesday-Sunday, March 7-11 (\$19-\$55), at the theater, Detroit. (248) 645-6666

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE: *Killing Time* continues to Sunday, March 11, at the theater on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester. Performance times vary. \$21-\$37.50. (248) 377-3300/(248) 645-6666; discussions: "Death and Life: A Religious Perspective" with Professor Charles Mabee the universities' potestant chaplain and professor of religious studies noon Tuesday, March 6 in 112 Vandenberg Hall at Oakland University, Rochester, Free.

PERFORMANCE NETWORK: The comedy *Maggie Rosa* continues to March 4, at the theater, Ann Arbor. (734) 663-0681

ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY: Perform a cycle of Shakespeare's history plays *Henry VI, Parts I, II and III* and *Richard III* Saturday-Sunday March 10-11 and 17-18 and Tuesday-Thursday, March 13-15, at the Power Center for the Performing Arts, Ann Arbor. \$30 to \$80 (stage seats), 4 play cycle seats \$108 to \$250 (stage seats). (734) 764-2538

COMMUNITY THEATER

FARMINGTON PLAYERS: Spend an evening in a haunted house when the Players present *The Uninvited*, a ghost tale set in the 1940s on the English coast 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 23-24, and 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, at Barnes & Noble Bookellers, West Bloomfield. \$12. (248) 553-2955

GENESIS TROUPE: *Our Town* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 23-24 and 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, at St. Kenneth's Catholic Church, Plymouth. \$5. (734) 981-3163

NOVI THEATRES: *The Music Man* 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 2-4 and 9-10, and 3 p.m. Sunday, March 4 and 11, at the Novi Civic Center Stage. \$15. (248) 347-0400

PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD: Presents the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical *South Pacific* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 16-17, Feb. 23-24 and March 2-3; 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, at the Water Tower Theatre, Northville. \$12, \$8 ages 18 and under. (248) 349-7110

RIDGEDALE PLAYERS: *Carousel* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 2-3, 9-10, 16-17 and 23-24, and 3 p.m. Sunday, March 11, 18 and 25, at the playhouse, Troy. \$13 \$12 on Sundays for seniors/students; coffee and sandwich afterward included. (248) 988-7049

STAGECHAPTERS: *Songs for a New World*, A New Musical Revue! continues to Sunday, March 4, Baldwin Theatre, Royal Oak. \$9, reserved. (248) 541-6430

COLLEGE THEATRE

BONSTELLE THEATRE: *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* March 2-4 and 9-11, at the theater on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. \$8-\$10. (313) 577-2960

EMU THEATRE: *Arms and the Man* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 23-24 and Tuesday-Thursday, March 1, 11, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, March 11, at the theater on the campus of Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti. \$13 Friday-Saturday, \$11 Sunday, and \$8 Thursday. (734) 487-1221



Musical: Jay Russell (Lumiere), Janet MacEwen (Mrs. Potts), Monica Wemitt (Madame de la Grande Bouche), Grant Norman (Beast), Danyelle Bossardet (Belle) and Ron Bagden (Cogsworth) in the Third National touring Company production of Disney's "Beauty and the Beast," playing through Sunday, March 4, at the Masonic Temple Theatre in Detroit. The full-length, Tony Award-winning musical stage production of the classic fairy tale features the Academy Award-winning score from the animated film and several new songs. Tickets \$18-\$62, performance times vary, call (248) 645-6666.

HILBERRY THEATRE: Shakespeare's *Cymbeline* through April 5; *Antigone* by Jean Anouilh runs in rotating repertory through March 29; Luigi Pirandello's *Six Characters in Search of an Author* runs in rotating repertory until Feb. 22, performances 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Wednesday and Saturday, at the theater on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-2972

THEATRE COMPANY: Brutality of Fact 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 22-24, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, at the McAuley Auditorium on the University of Detroit-Mercy campus. \$12, \$10 seniors/students at local universities. (313) 993-1130

U-M-DEARBORN PLAYERS' CLUB: *Lysistrata* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 23-24, in the School of Management building Lecture Hall B on the campus. Free. (313) 277-8376

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

PONTIAC THEATRE IV: *Up the Down Staircase*, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 16-17, 23-24, Pontiac Northern High School. \$7, students/seniors, \$6. (248) 656-7730

PUPPETART: *The Crane Maiden*, based on a Japanese folktale 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, at the Detroit Puppet Theater, Detroit. \$7, \$5 children. (313) 961-7777

SEPTEMBER PRODUCTIONS: *The Reluctant Dragon*, 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Wednesday-Friday, March 7-9, Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium. \$5 (\$4 for groups of 20). (248) 615-0414

WILD SWAN THEATRE: *Along the Tracks* based on incidents related to the Underground Railroad in Detroit, Ann Arbor and Windsor (recommended for students in grades 3-12) 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Feb. 22-23, in the Community Arts Auditorium at Wayne State University, Detroit. \$8, \$6 children. (734) 763-8587/(734) 995-0530 group sales

YOUTH THEATRE: *Ishango* Africa entertains with traditional music, dance, storytelling and costumes 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, at the Millennium Centre, Southfield. \$5 advance, \$10 at door. (248) 657-7529 or on-line at www.youththeatre.org

SPECIAL EVENTS

AMAZING CLANS: Presents a non-violent version of the classic Victorian tale *Punch and Judy* with more than 10 large hand-carved puppet 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, at the Summit on the Park, Canton. \$3. (734) 394-8185

DAVID COPPERFIELD: Performs March 23-25, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$27.50-\$45. (313) 983-6611

CHAMPIONS ON ICE: Featuring Michelle Kwan, Brian Bissano, Viktor Petrenko, Nicole Bobek, Rudy Galindo and more, 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 20, Joe Louis Arena, Detroit. \$25-\$55. (313) 983-6608

GALA BALL: Hosted by the United Irish Society, 6:30 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, March 3, at the Dearborn Inn, Entertainment by two bands. Tickets \$75 per person, advance sales only, call (313) 581-8930 or (734) 243-3592

MARCEL MARCEAU: To perform briefly during the Ford Honors Program paying tribute to him 6 p.m. Saturday, May 12 in Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. The University Musical Society will present Marceau with its Distinguished Artist Award at that time. In addition to the performance, there will be a tribute to his legacy in Ann Arbor and throughout the world. A benefit dinner follows. (734) 764-2538

MARDI GRAS PARTY: Features the music of the Gabriel New Orleans Band and traditional New Orleans cuisine 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 26, at St. Matthew's-St. Joseph's Episcopal Church, Detroit. \$25 advance, \$30 at door. (313) 884-2337/(313) 871-4750

POLISH WEDDING GALA: Marysia and Janek are getting married and you're invited. The Highlanders Wedding Feast: A Polish Evening of Goralaki Tradition, Song and Dance takes place Saturday, April 28, presented by the Polish Alliance Dancers of Dearborn and the General Pulaski Polish Language School. \$35, \$20 for children age 12 and under. Reservations must be made by Friday, April 13. Call (313) 581-3181 (days), (734) 789-8801 (evenings)

REDFORD THEATRE: *Thunderball* starring Sean Connery 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 23-24, and 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, overtures begin 30-minutes earlier, at the theater. \$3. (313) 531-4407

STORYTELLING FESTIVAL: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 23-24 for adults (\$15), and 1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25 (\$7) for children, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. (734) 763-TKTS

BENEFITS

ANGELS' PLACE CONCERT: Features Manfred Drellich, and Mark Tisdell and Barbara Ogar performing a variety of music 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 24, at St. Hugo of the Hills Church, Bloomfield Hills. No charge but a free will offering will benefit Angels' Place, a nonprofit organization providing Christian homes and services for adults with developmental disabilities. (248) 350-2203

CARE HOUSE CONCERT: Bare Assets, four attorneys play jazz 8 p.m. Saturday, March 3, at McVee's, 23380 Telegraph Road, Southfield. To benefit Care House of the Child Abuse and Neglect Council. McVee's donates part of the proceeds from the evening's receipts at the restaurant/bar. (248) 352-8243

ELIZABETHAN ELEGANCE: The Plymouth Community Arts Council will hold its annual dinner/auction fund-raiser Saturday, March 31 at St. John's Conference Center in Plymouth. \$60. (734) 416-4278

The evening features an Elizabethan theme complete with musician Matt Watroba as Henry VIII conducting the live auction. A silent auction will tempt revelers with a huge array of art works, jewelry, sports tickets, dinners, and travel getaways. Following a sumptuous meal and the live auction, guests can dance the night away to the music of the Couriers. In addition, a putting tournament has been included with a specialty putter as the prize. A preview of auction items will be held 7-9 p.m. Friday, March 23 at the arts council.

HEART & MUSIC...TOO! A celebration of Broadway's best in song to benefit the St. Dunstan Theatre Guild Building Renovation Fund 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 22-24, 400 Lone Pine Road (between Cranbrook and Leland Roads) Bloomfield Hills. Tickets \$15, for a suggested donation of \$30 or more, guests receive preferential seating and a reception of hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, 6:30 p.m. before 8 p.m. performances, or 12:30 p.m. before 2 p.m. Sunday performance. (248) 584-0698/(248) 356-7562, www.stdunstantheatre.com

MADONNA UNIVERSITY: David Wagner will perform a recital 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, Livonia. Free will offering will go to the purchase of a two-manual mechanical action organ. (734) 432-5708

MASKORADE FOR COTS: The Manicisco Gallery presents a reception, showcasing masks that will be auctioned off to benefit COTS, 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24 at the gallery, Detroit. (313) 886-2993. COTS third annual MASKORADE auction will be 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, March 10 at the Detroit Yacht Club. This is COTS' (Coalition on Temporary Shelter) major fund-raiser. For more information, call Beth McKee at (313) 576-0219. The masks have been painted by local artists and celebrities such as hockey player Wayne Gretzky

WAYNE RESA: *Taste, Toast, and Teach*, 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 28 at the Detroit Opera House. Jazz artist Alexander Zornig is honorary chairperson. \$50. Benefits Wayne RESA Future Teachers Scholarship Program. (734) 334-1624.

CLASSICAL

BORSARELLO STRING TRIO: Performs the music of Bach, Borodin and Schubert, 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, in the intimate setting of the main gallery at the Scarab Club, 217 Farnsworth, Detroit, behind the Detroit Institute of Arts. Tickets \$15. (248) 474-8930

BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: An evening featuring a getting to know you dinner and music by the Motor City Brass Band 4:30 p.m. Sunday, March 4, followed by 7 p.m. concert by the BBSO, at Temple Beth El, Bloomfield Hills. \$65, dinner reservations deadline is March 1. (248) 645-2276/(313) 846-8888

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DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Beethoven's Symphony No. 3 *Eroica* 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, 10:45 a.m. Friday, Feb. 23, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, at Orchestra Hall. \$15-\$52. (313) 576-5111 or via the Web site at www.detroitssymphony.com

FAIRLANE MUSIC GUILD: Great Lakes Wind Quintet, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, Henry Ford Estate, University of Michigan-Dearborn. \$15/\$14 seniors/\$9 students. (313) 593-5330

MADONNA UNIVERSITY: The faculty will hold a music recital 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, the recital includes solo and ensemble pieces for flute, clarinet, guitar and piano by Beethoven, Chopin and other composers, and vocal Broadway and operatic selections by Donna Kallie, Helene Rottenberg, Will Horwath, Barbara Wiltzie, and Linette Popoff-Parks. Guest artists are Cathy and Irving Feldman, in Kresge Hall on campus, 38600 Schoolcraft Road at Levan in Livonia. \$5 and benefits the music scholarship fund. (734) 432-5709

PRAGUE CHAMBER ORCHESTRA: With the Beaux Arts Trio 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 7, at Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. \$14-\$40. (734) 764-2538

PRO MUSICA SOCIETY: Features Kristjan Jarvi and Absolute Ensemble offering a range of music from Bach and Beethoven to Jimi Hendrix 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28, at the Detroit Institute of Arts. \$30. (313) 866-5639

SPHINX COMPETITION FINALS CONCERT: Competition promotes the development of young black and Latino string instrument musicians, 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$10. (313) 576-5111

TINY TOTS SERIES: For ages 3-6 "Fun Dances from Faraway Lands", 11 a.m. Saturday, March 3, at the Seligman Performing Arts Center, Detroit Country Day School, Beverly Hills. \$11. (313) 576-5111

UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY: Prague Chamber Orchestra, joined by Beaux Arts Trio, 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 7, Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. \$40, \$30, \$20, \$14. (734) 764-2538, (800) 221-1229

WSU CONCERTO COMPETITION CONCERT: 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 26, in the Community Arts Auditorium on the Wayne State campus, Detroit. Free. (313) 577-1795

WSU WIND SYMPHONY: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 6, at St. Peter and Paul Church, Detroit. Free will offering. (313) 846-2222, ext. 119

AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

ALL-MALE CHORUS: Looking for singers with the ability to carry a tune for Wayne Chapter of SPEBSQSA, rehearsals 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, ability to read music not required, at Newburg United Methodist Church, Livonia. (734) 722-2186

BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Young Artist Competition for middle and high school instrumental and piano students March 12-14, cash prizes. For an application, call (248) 645-2276 or visit the Web site at www.bbsocompetition.org

CALL FOR DANCERS: Auditions for an intensive summer program, directed by Jillana, former principal dancer with the New York City Ballet, will be held 4-6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24 at Sunny Sanford's School of Dance, Livonia. Registration is 30 minutes before audition. \$15 audition fee and photo in first arabesque required. (734) 484-7440. The workshop, held in New Mexico, is designed for pre-professional dancers ages 11-17. Guest teachers include former ballerina Maria Tschefel and New York City Ballet principal dancer Kyrle Nichols. The school will also offer a six-week session of ballet classes with Jacob Lascau for intermediate and advanced dancers 9:30-11 a.m. Wednesday beginning March 7. Teachers are welcome.

FARMINGTON PLAYERS: Auditions for males ages 17-45 for *Staging 17* 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, March 5-6, at Barnes & Noble Bookstore, West Bloomfield. For performances April 27-May 19. (248) 553-2955

NOVI THEATRE'S CHILDREN ANNIER: Raggedy Ann & Andy auditions, 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 13 and Thursday, March 15, (ages 10-14). The Novi Center Stage, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi. Performances Friday-Sunday, May 18-20. Actors must pay \$125 participation once cast. (248) 347-0400

PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD: Auditions for four women and seven men for *Vaudeville: A Play with Music* 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, March 5-6, at Watertown Theatre on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital. For performances May 4-5, 11-13 and 18-19. (248) 349-7110/(734) 455-2468 or visit the Web site at www.causeway.com/plg

TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS: Begins a 6-week winter workshop Saturday, Feb. 24, student in K-12 may choose classes or take the full program. (313) 535-8962

VSA ARTS OF MICHIGAN: The Southeast Region Committee of VSA Arts of Michigan (formerly Very Special Arts Michigan) is looking for children and adults with mental and physical challenges to perform at its Celebrate Arts-Ability Festival Friday-Saturday, May 4-5 at Wonderland Mall in Livonia. Deadline to apply is Thursday, March 15. Special needs school and community groups and solo acts from the metro Detroit area will display their dance, vocal and instrumental music achievements at the festival. Shoppers and performers will explore their creativity through hands-on art, music and movement activities. For more information or applications, call (248) 646-3347