

# 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) 668-1347

**DETROIT OPERA HOUSE:** *Fame*, Thursday-Sunday, March 15-18, \$55, \$35, \$25 and \$15. (248) 645-6666

**FISHER THEATRE:** *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:** *Smoky Joe's Cafe*, starring Gladys Knight, March 27-April 1, at the theater. Showtimes vary, \$23.75-\$38.75. (313) 983-6611

**GEM THEATRE:** *The Tropical Pickle* continues through Aug. 26, at the Gem Theatre, Detroit. \$24.50-\$35. (313) 963-9800

**MASONIC TEMPLE THEATRE:** *The Phantom of the Opera* opens Wednesday, April 25 for 5 weeks (\$16-\$65), at the theater, Detroit. (248) 645-6666

**MEADOW BROOK THEATRE:** *The Ride Down Mt. Morgan* opens March 21 and continues to April 15, at the theater, Rochester. \$24.50-\$37.50. (248) 377-3300

**PERFORMANCE NETWORK:**

*Struggling* truths opens March 16

and continues to April 8, at the theater, Ann Arbor. (734) 663-0681

**PLOWSHARES THEATRE COMPANY:**

*Sisters* continues to April 8, at the Anderson Center Theater in Honky Ford Museum/Genfield Village, Dearborn. \$20. \$15 matinee/seniors/students. (313) 872-0279

**ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY:**

Perform a cycle of Shakespeare's history plays *Henry VI, Parts I, II* and *III* Saturday-Sunday, March 17-18 and Thursday, March 15, at the Power Center for the Performing Arts, Ann Arbor.

\$30 to \$80 (stage seats), 4 play

cycle seats \$10 to \$205 (stage

seats). (734) 764-2538

### COMMUNITY THEATER

**AVON PLAYERS:** The hilarious comedy *Noises Off* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 16-17, 23-24 and Thursday, March 22, and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 18, at the playhouse, Rochester Hills. \$13, student/senior/group rates available for Thursday and Sunday. (248) 609-9077

**CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS:** Peter Colley's thriller/murder mystery *I'll Be Back Before Midnight* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 16-17, and 23-24, and 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 15 and 22, at the Depot Theater, Clarkston. \$11. \$9 Thursday. (248) 625-8811

**PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN:** Arthur Miller's *All My Sons* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 16-17, at the theater, Dearborn. \$11 and all seats are reserved. (313) 561-5715

**RIDGEGLADE PLAYERS:** *Carnival* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 16-17 and 23-24, and 3 p.m. Sunday, March 18 and 25, at the playhouse, Troy. \$13 \$12 on Sundays for seniors/students; coffee and sandwich afterglow included. (248) 998-7049

**ST. DUNSTAN'S THEATRE GUILD OF CRANBROOK:** *Crimes of the Heart* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 16-17, 23-24 and Thursday, March 22, and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 18, at the theater, Bloomfield Hills. \$12, \$10 seniors/students. (248) 644-0527. Perfect performance to assist Lighthouse of Oakland

County 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 14 (7 p.m., refreshments). \$50

**STAGECRAFTERS:** *Noises Off* opens 8 p.m. Friday, March 16 at the Baldwin Theatre, downtown Royal Oak. Performances 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 8 p.m. Sunday, March 16, 25 and April 1. \$12-\$14, reserved. (248) 541-6430

**VILLAGE PLAYERS-BIRMINGHAM:**

Agatha Christie's suspense masterpiece *Witness for the Prosecution* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 16-17 and 23-24 and Thursday, March 15, at the playhouse, Birmingham. Call (248) 644-2070 for ticket information.

**DEARBORN HEIGHTS CIVIC THEATRE:** *Skidding*, the original Andy Hardy play, a comedy, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 16-17, Bemwy Center, 26155 Richardson at Bemwy, south of Warren west of Birch Bay, Dearborn Heights. \$8, \$6 seniors/students. (313) 277-7900



**Fantastic films:** *"Stanley,"* by London filmmaker Suzie Templeton, is just one of the more than 100 independent and experimental 16mm films featured in the Ann Arbor Film Festival continuing through Sunday, March 18 at the Michigan Theater, 603 E. Liberty in downtown Ann Arbor. Shows 7, 9:30 & 11 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 2, 7 & 9:30 p.m. Saturday, and 5, 7 & 9 p.m. Sunday. Individual tickets, \$7, visit [www.aafilmfest.org](http://www.aafilmfest.org) for details.

### COLLEGE THEATER

**HFCC THEATER ARTS:** Black Box Productions presents *The Miss Firecracker Contest* Thursday-Sunday, March 15-18 and 22-25, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, In Adray Auditorium in the Mackenzie Fine Arts Center on Henry Ford Community College's main campus, Dearborn. \$5, seating limited. (313) 845-6478

**HILBERRY THEATRE:** *Picnic* continues in rotating repertory through Thursday, May 10. Shakespeare's *Cymbeline* through April 5;

*Antigone* by Jean Anouilh runs in

rotating repertory through March 29, performances 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Wednesday and Saturday, and at the theater, Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-2972

**THE THEATRE COMPANY:** *Between Daylight and Boonville* opens Friday, March 23 and continues to April 8, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, in McAuley Auditorium at University of Detroit Mercy. \$12, \$10 seniors/students. (313) 993-1130 or [www.udmercy.edu](http://www.udmercy.edu)

### YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

**MARQUIS THEATRE:** *Wizard of Oz* 2:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, March 17-18, 24-25 and 31 and April 1, 7, 21, 22 and 26-29, and Monday-Friday, April 16-20, at the theater, Northville. \$7.50. Children under age 3 not admitted. (248) 349-8110

**PONTIAC THEATRE IV:** *Up the Down Staircase*, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 16-17, 23-24, and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 18, at the theater, Pontiac. \$12, \$10 seniors/students. (614) 656-7730

**PUPPETART:** *Purim Shpiel* a rod puppet musical based on the Biblical Book of Esther 2 p.m. Saturday, March 17, 24 and 31, at the Detroit Puppet Theater, Detroit. \$7, \$5 children. (313) 981-7777

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**A CELTIC JOURNEY:** Of enlightenment through Celtic prayer, music and ritual 6-9 p.m. Friday, March 16, First Baptist Church, Birmingham. \$25. (248) 644-0550

**MIKE DEASY:** Guitarist presents a free concert 7 p.m. Sunday, March 25, Grace Celtic Fellowship Church, 29520 Mungen, Livonia. (734) 525-6019

**AIR FORCE LANDS IN**

**FARMINGTON:** Musicians from the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio, including a clarinet ensemble, woodwind quintet, brass quintet, and jazz band, will present a concert 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 17 at Farmington High School, 32000 Shilohwood Road, (west of Orchard Lake Road). There is no charge, a ticket is free. (248) 456-1600

**AND THE WINNER IS:** The Skating Club of Novi presents its annual Ice Show 7 p.m. Friday, March 30 and 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. Saturday, March 31, at the Novi Ice Arena. \$5. (248) 347-1010

**BUNNY HOP 'N FUN:** A Bunny Breakfast of pancakes and sausage, from 9:30-10:30 a.m., kicks off the fun for families on Saturday, April 4, at the Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen, Southfield. Includes a one photo with the Easter Bunny for family. Face painting, egg decorating, games, crafts and petting farm, for elementary school children and younger, 10 a.m. to noon.

**Breakfast** is \$5 per Southfield resident. Activities are \$5 per resident. Non-residents may buy tickets for \$7 if someone in their immediate family lives in Southfield or attends Southfield schools. (248) 354-9603

**CELEBRATION OF DIVERSITY:**

Includes Town Hall meeting

Thursday, March 22, at the Southfield Pavilion. (\$17.50), call (248) 355-3700; a youth symposium on diversity Friday, March 23 (free), at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. (248) 351-320; and a benefit concert by Harry Belafonte 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 24, at the Detroit Opera House. \$20 and up. (248) 645-6666

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

**CHAMPIONS ON ICE:** Featuring Michelle Kwan, Brian Bolante, Viktor Petrenko, Nicole Bobek, Rudy Galindo and more, 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 10, Joe Louis Arena, Detroit. \$25-\$55. (313) 983-6608

**Family Concert AND SING-A-LONG:** Features Metropolitan Singers of Southfield and the Choristers of St. Genevieve Children's Choir singing more than 20 favorite Disney songs 4 p.m. Sunday, March 25, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. Free but donations will be accepted. (248) 424-9022

**FIDDLING POET:** Ken Waldman, author of *Nova Poems*, talks about life in Alaska, performs his poetry and plays old-time fiddle music, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 22, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield. \$10 general admission; \$8 for senior citizens and students. (248) 424-9022.

**INDOOR SUPERFAIR:** The indoor carnival, with rides, games, exhibits and food, runs through March 25 at the Silverdome in Pontiac. Admission, which includes unlimited access to all rides, is \$10, Monday through Thursday, \$12, Friday through Sunday. Non-riding parents are admitted free when accompanied by a child with a ticket. Parking is free. (248) 456-1600

**EAST LANSING FILM FESTIVAL:**

Opens 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 22, continues through Sunday, March 25. Wells Hall on the campus of Michigan State University, East Lansing. Screenings 7:11 p.m. Friday, March 22; 1:30-11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Sunday, March 25. \$5 general, \$3 students. (517) 332-8076 or [www.eiff.com](http://www.eiff.com)

**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

**OSCAR NIGHT AMERICA PARTY:**

Features a movie-themed dinner and live auction 6:30 p.m. Sunday, March 25, at The Roostertail, Detroit. \$135, benefits the Detroit Film Theatre at the Detroit Institute of Arts. (313) 833-7969

**OSCAR NIGHT AT EXCALIBUR:** 6:30 p.m. Sunday, March 25, at the restaurant, Southfield. \$65, includes 5-course dinner. (248) 359-3355

**POLISH WEDDING GALA:** Marysia and Janek are getting married and you're invited. The Highlanders' Wedding Feast: A Polish Evening of Gorski Tradition. Songs and Dance takes place Saturday, April 28, presented by the Polish Alliance Dancers of Dearborn and the General Pulaski Polish Language School, the evening begins with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres followed by the wedding, a full course authentic Polish feast will be served after entertainment by MuzaMix, at the American Polish Cultural Center, Troy. \$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), or send e-mail to [buslas@attic@aol.com](mailto:buslas@attic@aol.com). More information is available at <http://polishalliance.dancers@hypernet.net>

**REDFOR THEATRE:** *Bad Day at Black Rock* starring Spencer Tracy and Walter Brennan 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 23-24, and 2 p.m. Saturday, March 24, overtures begin 30-minutes earlier, at the theater, S3. (313) 531-4407

**SWIECONKA:** Polish Easter lunch and performance by the Redomianka Polish Folk Dance Ensemble 12:30 p.m. Sunday, April 8, at the Sill Post No. 232, Dearborn Heights. \$19, \$13 children age 12 and under, deadline for reservation is March 31. (734) 427-8640

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### BENEFITS

**DETROIT WALDORF SCHOOL:**

Award-winning Irish musicians and

dancers, including Grupul Col, fea-

turing Sean Gavin of Redford,

National Scottish Fiddle champion

Jeremy Kittel and Barbara Ogle

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.

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Features Maenf Driedlein, and

Mark Tisdall and Barbara Ogle per-

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**CELEBRATING LIFE:** Michigan Jewish AIDS Coalition present a musical revue featuring the cast of

*Regtime: The Musical* 7:30 p.m.

Monday, April 2, at Temple Israel,

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**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 conduct-

ing the live auction. A silent

auction will tempt revellers with a

huge array of art works, jewel-

ry, 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.

**SONGS OF TRIUMPH/SONGS OF**

JOY: The Legacy of Roland Hayes

features Indra Thomas, Florence

Quivar, Vinson Cole and Mark

Rucker in a recital 4 p.m. Sunday,

March 25, at the Detroit Opera

House. \$15-\$75. (248) 645-6666.

Proceeds will support processing the Roland Hayes Manuscript

Collection housed at the Detroit

Public Library.

**WAYNE RESA:** *Taste, Toast, and*

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

### CLASSICAL

**CRANBROOK MUSIC GUILD:**

Presents sisters Ani (violin) and

Iida (viola) Kavafian and Anton Nel,

plains 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 20, at

Christ Church Cranbrook,

Bloomfield Hills. \$25, \$15 stu-

dents. (810) 751-2435

**DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:**

Violinist Hilary Hahn plays Barber

10:45 a.m. and 8 p.m. Friday,

March 16 and 8:30 p.m. Saturday,

March 17, and 3 p.m. Sunday

March 18 in the "Introduction to

the Classics" series, at Orchestra Hall. \$15-\$52, box seats \$45-\$71.

(313) 576-5111 or via the Web

site at [www.detrotisymphony.com](http://www.detrotisymphony.com)

**LES VIOLONS DU ROY:** 8 p.m.

Thursday, March 22, at St. Francis

of Assisi Catholic church, Ann

Arbor. (734) 764-2538

**CLASSICS ON THE LAKE:** Series at

St. Mary's College, Orchard Lake,

features flutist Alexander Zonin

and Detroit Symphony Orchestra

harpist Patricia Mast-Fletcher, 3

p.m. Sunday, March 25, Shrine

Chapel, \$15 adults, \$10 students,

\$30 or \$20 respectively for con-

cert/afterglow. (248) 706-5355

**REDFORD CIVIC SYMPHONY:**

Cabaret concert 3 p.m. Sunday,

March 25, at Hilbert Junior High

School, Redford. Free. (313) 538-

1652

**SONNET QUARTET:** DSO musicians