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## POPS/SWING

**BIRD OF PARADISE ORCHESTRA:** 9 p.m. Monday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$7 cover. (734) 662-8310 (big band, swing, bop)

**DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:** "That's Amore" 8 p.m. Thursday, April 19, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 20-21 and 3 p.m. Sunday, April 22, Orchestra Hall. (313) 576-5111 or www.detroit-symphony.com

**JIM PARAVANTES & COMPANY:** 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday through April, at Excelsior, Southfield. (248) 358-3395

## CHORAL

**CALVIN COLLEGE ALUMNI CHORUS:** Presents a spring concert, Friday, American Sampler, 8 p.m. April 27, at Ward Presbyterian Church, Northville. No charge. A free will offering will be taken to benefit the Southeast Michigan Calvin Alumni Chapel scholarship fund. (616) 957-6800

**DETROIT ORATORIO SOCIETY:** In collaboration with the Detroit Institute of Arts present Handel's opera *Acis and Galatea*, a timeless tale of endless love, sung in English. It's ideal for the first time opera goer, 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, April 26-27, in Kresge Court at the Detroit Institute of Arts. \$28. (248) 650-2655

**FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CHORUS:** "Tune That Name" Includes performances by the chorus, The Perfect Blend, and Kelly Garver Nieto (Miss Michigan 1996) on the country fiddle 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 11-12, at Farmington High School, Shawassaw, west of Orchard Lake Road. \$10, \$5 seniors/students, price at door and Web site \$12. (248) 788-5322 or www.farmingtonchorus.com

**FORD CHORUS:** The Ford Motor Company chorus sings pops, 7:30 p.m., May 19 and 3 p.m., May 20, at Stout Middle School, 18500 Oakwood, Dearborn. Tickets, \$10 adults, \$5 seniors and students. (313) 323-8173

**ITALIAN SONGS AND ARIAS VOCAL COMPETITION:** Features 10 finalists from Michigan high schools 4 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at the Italian American Cultural and Community Center, Warren. \$7, \$5 seniors/high school students. (734) 455-8955/(810) 751-2855

**LIVONIA CIVIC CHORUS:** Perform a musical comedy, "Dial M 4 Music," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 4-5, at Clarenceville High School, Livonia. \$10, \$5 seniors/students. (248) 542-2946

**LIVONIA YOUTH CHOIR:** Perform a spring concert 4:30 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at Faith Lutheran Church, Livonia. No charge. (734) 425-1749

**OAKLAND UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY CHORUS:** 8 p.m., Friday, April 20, in Varner Recital Hall on the university campus, Squirrel at Walton Boulevard, Rochester Hills. (248) 370-2030

**UMS CHORAL UNION:** Joins with the Greater Lansing Symphony Orchestra to perform the Berlioz "Requiem" 4 p.m. Sunday, April 22, at III Auditorium, Ann Arbor. \$10-\$22. (734) 764-2538

## JAZZ/BLUES

**DIXIELAND:** The New Windsor/Detroit Jazz Club presents the Chuck Moss Paint Creek Jazz Society, 4-7 p.m. Sunday, April 22 at the Monaghan Knights of Columbus Hall, 19801 Farmington Road (between Seven and Eight Mile roads), Livonia. Tickets \$10 in advance, \$13 at the door. Call (248) 476-2674

**MR. B'S BLUES & BOOGIE PIANO ORGY:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, April 21-22, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$25. (734) 763-TKTS

**RON BROOKS TRIO:** 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310; with special guest 9:30 p.m. (first of 3 sets) Friday-Saturday, April 20-21. \$10

**PAUL FINKBEINER'S JAM SESSION:** 9 p.m. Sunday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$2 cover. (734) 662-8310

**TOMMY GARRETT:** 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 21-22, at the Century Club in the Gem Theatre, Detroit. (313) 963-9800

**DALE GRISA TRIO:** 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, at Sweet Lorraine's in the Livonia Marriott Hotel. (734) 953-7480

**LOS GATOS:** 9 p.m. Wednesday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

**MATT MICHAELS TRIO:** 8:15-10 p.m. Wednesday, at Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren Road (east of Middlebelt), Garden City. Special guest Chris Collins, saxophone and clarinet, April 25. (734) 762-7750

**DAVID "FATHEAD" NEWMAN:** 9 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 27-28, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$20. (734) 662-8310 or the Web site at www.birdofparadise.com

**LARRY NOZERO JAZZ QUINTET:** Perform 8 p.m. to midnight Mondays beginning April 30, at Mitch Housey's Food & Spirits, Livonia. (734) 425-5520 or visit the Web site at www.larrynozero.com

**DUANE PARHAM:** The saxophonist performs 8 p.m. and 9:45 p.m. Wednesday, April 25, at Club Upscale in the Fisher Building, Detroit. \$20. (313) 882-1440/(248) 645-6666

**ROBERT PENN:** 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 20-21, at Edison's, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

**TOSHI REAGAN/NEDRA JOHNSON:** 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 24, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. No cover. (734) 763-TKTS (blues)

**SAFFIRE/THE UPPITY BLUES WOMEN:** 8 p.m. Friday, April 20, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$15. (734) 763-TKTS

**"TWISTIN'" TARANTULAS:** 8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 19, at Edison's, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

**CHUCHO VALDES:** The Afro-Cuban pianist performs 9 p.m. and 11 p.m. Thursday, April 19, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$20. (734) 662-8310

**B'JAZZ VESPER:** Renee King-Jackson and the Front Street Jazz Quintet, 6 p.m. Sunday, April 22. First Baptist Church, Willets & Bates, downtown Birmingham. Free-will offering. (248) 644-0550

**FOLK/BLUEGRASS**

**RON CODEN:** Dinner Theater featuring the Ron Coden Show Tuesday, April 24, at the Wayne Senior Activity Center, Wayne. \$18. Includes dinner, show. (734) 721-7460

**STEVE GILLETTE/CINDY MANSON:** 8 p.m. Thursday, April 19, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$11. (734) 763-TKTS

**GORDON LIGHTFOOT:** 8 p.m. Saturday, April 21, at the Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$25-\$50. (248) 433-1515

**JOHN MCCUTCHEON:** The hammer dulcimer player performs 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 21, at Royal Oak First United Methodist Church. \$15. \$12 seniors/students. \$45 family. (248) 541-4100

**LEON REDBONE:** 8 p.m. Sunday, April 22, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$17.50. (734) 763-TKTS

**THE BURNS SISTERS:** 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 25, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$11. (734) 763-TKTS

**UBAKA HILL:** Also Repercussions, an all woman all drum and percussion ensemble from Lansing, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$15. (734) 763-TKTS

**WEAVERMANIA:** 8 p.m. Friday, April 27, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$13.50. (734) 763-TKTS

**BROOKS WILLIAMS:** 8 p.m. Saturday, April 21, at Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10, \$8 members. (734) 464-6302

**WORLD MUSIC**

**MATAPAT:** Perform 8 p.m. Saturday, April 21, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. \$12, \$10 seniors/students. (248) 424-9022 (French Canadian with Celtic influence)

**RADIO IRELAND:** Will record a free concert hosted by the Detroit-Windsor Branch of Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann (Association of Irish Musicians) 7 p.m. Saturday, April 23 at the White Heather Club, Ferndale. The concert will be broadcast in Ireland and can be heard over the Internet at www.rte.ie/radio/evradio1.html. The event is being held in conjunction with the Midwest Regional Fleadh Ceoil which takes place Saturday April 28 at the Doubletree Hotel, 34500 Wick Road, Romulus. Music competitions run 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and group competitions start at 7 p.m. \$5 for either competition or \$9 for the entire day. (734) 420-0962 or (519) 948-9149

## DANCE

**ADVANCED CONTRA DANCE:** 8 p.m. Friday, April 27, at the Pittsfield Grange, Ann Arbor. \$10. (734) 665-8863

**COBBLESTONE FARM DANCERS:** 8 p.m. Saturday, April 21, (slow Jan 3-4 p.m., open band practice 4-6 p.m. free) (734) 769-4220, at the Pittsfield Grange, Ann Arbor. \$7. (734) 665-8863/(734) 426-0241

**DANCEFIRE:** A dance and rhythm jam 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 21, a multimedia event with Bone Rhythm, an ensemble of percussionists, followed by Nightfire, a new-age grays performance troupe blending dance, poetry, music, masks, costuming, and improvisational ceremony in a tribal, dream-like fusion, ends with a simple group dance in which audience is invited to participate, at the AACT Studio, Ann Arbor. \$7, \$5 seniors/students. (834) 996-1772/(734) 677-1826

**MARK MORRIS DANCE GROUP:** With the Detroit Symphony Orchestra 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 20-21, at the Power Center for the Performing Arts, Ann Arbor. \$18-\$38. (734) 764-2538

**M-GON-DUSTERS:** Ballroom dancing to live bands 8:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, at the Livonia Civic Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia. \$5. (248) 967-1428

**U-M BALLROOM DANCE CLUB:** Ballroom dance lesson and open dancing 4-10 p.m. Sunday, at the Union Ballroom, Ann Arbor. \$2. (734) 763-6984

**POLISH CENTENAL DANCERS:** And the Radomilanie Polish Folk Dance Ensemble perform 2 p.m. Sunday, April 22, at Churchill High School, Livonia. \$8. (734) 422-1731

**POLKA BOOSTERS:** Sunday April 22 dance, music by Fred Zwich and International Sound Machine. Doors open 1:30 p.m., dancing 3-7 p.m. Pct. John Lyskew, Hall, 6828 Weaverly, Dearborn Heights. \$12. (313) 937-1316, (313) 928-1822

## COMEDY

**ANN ARBOR COMEDY SHOWCASE:** Jim Hamm, Thursday-Saturday, April 19-21, at the club, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

**JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB:** Willie Tipton & Lester Thursday-Saturday, April 19-21, at Palsano's at the club, Dearborn. (313) 584-8895

**MARK RILEY'S COMEDY CASTLE:** Heywood Banks, also appearing Gary George Thursday-Saturday, April 19-21, at the club, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9900

**SECOND CITY:** Previews for "eBay of Pigs" continue to official opening 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 25, at the club, Detroit. \$18 Thursday and Sunday, \$20 Friday-Saturday. (313) 965-2222

## MUSEUMS AND TOURS

**CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE:** Eco-Week Festivities, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, April 19-22, workshops, learning labs. 39221 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. \$7 adults, \$4 children 3-17 and students with ID, seniors. (810) 462-7262

**HENRY FORD MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE:** Spring Farm Days April 26-29 Includes demonstrations of sheep shearing and herding by sheep dogs; the exhibit "Kids Stuff: Great Toys From Our Childhood" continues to Sept. 16, Imax movies continue at the museum, Dearborn. (313) 273-1620

**MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY:** FOX-TV 2 reporter Lee Thomas in his one-man show *Breaking Stores*, a mix of live television and stage magic, the play uses comedy and drama to tell the real stories of people seen on the new 7 p.m. Sunday, April 21; 4 p.m. Sunday, April 22, in the General Motors Theatre, Detroit. \$17.50, \$10 students, \$12.50 per person for groups of 10 or more. (313) 494-5800

## LIVE MUSIC

**ACDC:** Suff Upper Lip Tour, with Slash's Snakepit, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 2, Joe Louis Arena, Detroit. \$35.25-\$45.25. (248) 433-1515 (rock)

**ARMSTRONG:** With Fuel, Friday, July 13, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$30. \$77.50. (248) 645-6666

**AGENTS OF GOOD ROADS:** 8 p.m. Sunday, 3 p.m. Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15. (248) 544-3030

**ALBERTA ADAMS:** 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 20-21, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4600

**LORI AMERY:** 8 p.m. Friday, April 20, Borders, Ulica. Free. All ages. (810) 726-8555

**ANTI-FLAG:** With One Man Army, Unseen, Jersey, 8 p.m. Friday, May 4, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. \$10. (248) 645-6666

**BACKSTREET BOYS:** With Shaggy, Krystal, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 24, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$29.50-\$49.50. (248) 645-6666

**BADLY DRAWN BOY:** 9 p.m. Saturday, April 28, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. \$15. (248) 645-6666

**JOHN BASSSETT AND THE BLUES INSURGENTS:** 10 p.m. Fridays, Center Street Pub, Detroit. (313) 965-3651

**THE BLACK CROWES AND OASIS:** "Tour of Brotherly Love" with Superheros, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, June 2, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$21.50-\$42.50. (248) 645-6666

**BLANCHETT:** With Deanna Naragana of Lambchop, 9 p.m. Saturday, April 28, Gold Dollar, Detroit. (313) 833-6873

**BLOWTUP:** Saturday, April 28, New Way Bar, Ferndale. (248) 541-9870

**BLUE RODEO:** 8 p.m. Saturday, April 28, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. 18 and older. \$15. (313) 961-MELT

**BLUES TRAVELER:** 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 14, State Theatre, Detroit. All ages. \$25. (248) 645-6666

**BON JOVI:** 7:30 p.m. Sunday-Monday, July 15-16, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$29-\$68. (248) 645-6666

**JONATHAN BROOKE:** 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 27, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. 18 and older. \$20. (248) 645-6666

**BROOKS AND DUNN'S NEON CIRCUS AND WEST WEST SHOW:** Featuring Montgomery Gentry, Tuffy Keith and Keith Urban, with Cleatus T. Judd, doors open at 3 p.m. Sunday, July 8, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$29.50-\$49.50. (248) 645-6666

**THE BROTHERS GROOVE:** 10 p.m. Mondays, Flitt Avenue Billiards, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922; 10 p.m. Thursdays, Music Menu, Detroit. (313) 964-MENU

**BILL BRUFORD'S EARTHWORKS:** 8 p.m. Friday, June 1, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$22. (248) 544-3030

**LJ BUKEM:** Friday, April 27, Motor Detroit, details to come.

**ERIC CLAPTON:** With Doyle Bramhall & Smokeystack, 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 6, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$39.50-\$75. (248) 645-6666

**MIKE "AGENT X" CLARK:** Bestdowns every Thursday, One X, Michigan Ave., Detroit. www.beatdownsounds.com (house)

**THE CLARKS:** 8 p.m. Thursday, May 3, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$8. (248) 544-3030

**COLDPLAY:** With Grandaddy, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 7, State Theatre, Detroit. All ages. \$21.75. (248) 645-6666

**NATALIE COLE:** 8 p.m. Friday, June 15, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$25-\$65. (248) 645-6666

**DICK DALE:** With the Twinstin' Tarantulas, 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$15. (248) 645-6666

**DIDO:** With Travis, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 5, DTE Theatre, Independence Township. \$24.50-\$37.50. (248) 645-6666

**DETROIT BLUES SOCIETY HERITAGE SERIES:** Featuring Alberta Adams, Bettye LaVette, RJ's Blues Crew, Bobby Murray, The Blue Salt Band and guests. 5-9 p.m. Saturday, May 12, Music Menu Cafe, Detroit. \$7 donation. (248) 262-8890

**DOO WOY REUNION TOUR:** Return to '50s and '60s Motown with the Buck Ram's Platters, Speedo and the Cadillac, The Tokens, The Drifters featuring Charlie Thomas, The Penguins and The Shirelles, 8 p.m. Friday, April 20, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$30-\$50. (248) 433-1515

**TERRY FARMER:** 8:30 p.m. Friday, April 20, Crazy Madonn Bookstore and Teacore, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-2757

**FESTBALL:** With The Atomic Numbers, 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 24, Magic Bag, Ferndale. (248) 544-3030

**FATBOY SLIM:** With Darren Emerson, DJ Scanty Sandwich, 9 p.m. Thursday, May 3, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. All ages. \$23. (313) 961-MELT

**THE GREAT AUSTRALIAN BITE:** With INXS, Midnight Oil and guests, Men At Work, 6:30 p.m. Friday, June 15, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$18-\$38. (248) 645-6666

**DAVID GRAY:** Sunday, April 22, State Theatre, Detroit. Sold out.

**GUIDED BY VOICES:** With Creeper, Lagoon, 8 p.m. Friday, May 11, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. 18 and older. \$14. (248) 645-6666

**DARYL HALL AND JOHN OATES:** 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 30, DTE Energy Theatre, Independence Township. \$16.50-\$28.50. (248) 645-6666

**DI MATT HANCOCK:** Alternative from 1980s and 90s on "Love Factory" Fridays, an alternative dance Saturdays at The Groove Room, Royal Oak. Cover charge after 10 p.m. (248) 589-3344

**AL HILL:** 7 p.m. Friday, April 17, 20, Zydeco Louisiana Restaurant, Ann Arbor. (734) 995-3600; 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 18, 336 Main, Plymouth. (734) 454-6500

**DI ERIC HINCHMAN & JOHN ARNOLD:** Techno and house, Wednesdays, The Groove Room, Royal Oak. Cover charge after 10 p.m. (248) 589-3344

**BRIAN HOODE:** 7:30 p.m. Saturdays, Duke Humphries, Rochester Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 601-1100

**JOURNEY:** With Peter Frampton, John Waite, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 10, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$20-\$45. (248) 645-6666

**JULIANA THEORY:** With Squad 50, 6 p.m. Sunday, May 6, The Shelter, Detroit. \$8. (313) 961-MELT

**K-CI & J-O-JO:** 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 9, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$30-\$50. (238) 433-1515

**MARK KNOPFLER:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 4, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$29.50-\$50. (248) 645-6666

**KOTTONMOUTH KINGS:** 8 p.m. Sunday, May 6, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. All ages. \$15. (313) 961-MELT

**ROBBY KRIEGER:** Formerly of The Doors, 8 p.m. Saturday, April 28, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$18. (248) 544-3030

**DJ JAY LANGA AND IVAN PASKAL:** "Stretch" Sundays at The Groove Room beginning this month, Royal Oak. Cover charge after 10 p.m. (248) 589-3344

**ADRIAN LEGG:** 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 15, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15. (248) 544-3030

**GORDON LIGHTFOOT:** 8 p.m. Saturday, April 21, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$25-\$50. (248) 645-6666

**LIL BOW WOW:** 7 p.m. Friday, May 11, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$25-\$30. (248) 645-6666

**LOS LOBOS:** 8 p.m. Sunday, April 22, Magic Bag, Ferndale. 21 and older. Sold out.

**DJ MAC:** Dr. Funk and Hip Hop, Thursdays, The Groove Room, Royal Oak. Cover charge after 10 p.m. (248) 589-3344

**MADONNA:** Saturday, August 25, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Details to come.

**DAVE MATTHEWS BAND:** With Macy Gray, 6 p.m. Sunday-Monday, June 3-4, Comerica Park, Detroit. Tickets \$49.50 on sale, March 10. (248) 645-6666

**LARRY MAXWELL:** 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, Duke Humphries, Rochester Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 601-1100

**JOHN MAYALL:** 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 1, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$18. (248) 544-3030

**JIM MCCARTY AND MYSTERY TRAIN:** 10 p.m. Saturday, April 21, Memphis Smoke, Royal Oak. (248) 543-4300

**PAT MCDUNN BAND:** 7:30 p.m. Fridays, Duke Humphries, Rochester Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 601-1100

**METAPHYSICAL JONES:** 10 p.m. Thursdays, 133 JAC, upstairs from Thursdays, Detroit. \$5. 18 and over. (313) 962-7067

**EDDIE MONEY:** With Burning Candles, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 27, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50-\$20.50. (248) 645-6666

**JOHN MICHAEL MONTGOMERY:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 3, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$27.50. (248) 645-6666

**MYX:** With Good Charlotte, Ultimate Fakebook, 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 21, State Theatre, Detroit. All ages. \$14.75. (248) 645-6666

**"N SYNC:** 2001 Pop Odyssey Tour, 7:30 p.m