

# Guays 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:** 7 for 2 continues to Sunday, May 20, 8:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, at the theater. No performances Easter Sunday. (313) 868-1347

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

**JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE:** *Horowitz and Mrs. Washington* by Henry Denker, previews through May 13; opens 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 13, shows May 16-20, May 23-27, May 30-June 3, June 6-10; 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, and Sunday; 6 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday. Aaron DeRoy Theatre, lower level Jewish Community Center, corner of Maple & Drake, West Bloomfield. \$16-\$26. (248) 788-2900 or Jetsy@aol.com

**MASONIC TEMPLE THEATRE:** *The Phantom of the Opera* is through Saturday, May 26. \$16-\$68. (248) 645-6666

**MEADOW BROOK THEATRE:** *Little Shop of Horrors* continues to May 20, Rochester. Showtimes vary. (248) 377-3300

**PLOWSHARES THEATRE COMPANY:** *Ma Rainey's Black Bottom* continues through May 27, at the Anderson Center Theater in Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn. \$20. (313) 872-0279

**PURPLE ROSE THEATRE:** Presents Dennis E. North's *Orphan Train: An American Melodrama*, through June 16, Chelsea. Showtimes vary. Tickets \$22.50-\$32.50. Call (734) 433-ROSE

### DINNER THEATER

**HARMONIE CLUB:** *Tony 'n' Tina's Wedding*, the off-Broadway interactive theater production continues through May 26, 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 4:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, and 4:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, Detroit. \$55-\$65. (313) 961-5211/(248) 645-6666

**MURDER MYSTERY THEATRE:** Genitll's Hole-in-The-Wall of Northville presents *Playing Dead...Family Style*, at the theater through May 21. Tickets include dinner, show, tax and tip for \$45 per person. Call for showtimes. (248) 349-0522

**WEST END PRODUCTIONS:** *Always Patsy Cline*, 6:30 p.m. Friday, 4 p.m. Sunday, through May 20, Como's Restaurant, Ferndale. \$35. Includes dinner and show. (248) 541-1763

### COLLEGE THEATER

**HILBERRY THEATRE:** *The Rover*, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 11-12, and Thursday-Saturday, May 17-19, and *Picnic* 8 p.m. Thursday, May 10, Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-2972

**OAKLAND UNIVERSITY:** Adaptation of Rudyard Kipling's *Just So Stories* 10 a.m. May 22-25, May 29-31, June 1, June 4-8, 7 p.m. June 1-2, June 9-9, Warner Studio Theatre, Matinee tickets \$5, evening \$10, \$8 seniors, \$5 students.

### COMMUNITY THEATER

**CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS:** *Ten Nights in a Barroom* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 11-12 and 18-19 (\$11), and 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 10 and 17 (\$9), at the Depot Theater, Clarkston. (248) 625-8811

**FARMINGTON PLAYERS:** Present *Stalag 17*, the World War II drama about a German POW camp 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, through May 19 at Barnes & Noble, West Bloomfield. \$12. (248) 553-2955

**STAGECRAFTERS:** *Children of Eden*, a musical, May 11-June 3 at the Baldwin Theatre, downtown Royal Oak. \$14-\$16, (248) 541-6430.

**PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN:** *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* continues to May 19. Shows 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, May 13, Dearborn. \$14. (313) 561-TKTS

**PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD:** *Vivian: A Play with Music* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 11-12 and 18-19, and 8 p.m. Sunday, May 13, at the Water Tower Theatre on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital. \$10, \$7 ages 18 and under. (248) 349-7110



**Shrek fun:** Dreamwork's new animated film, "Shrek," doesn't open until May 18, but families can participate in Mother's Day activities at a *Shrek Fun Fair on Saturday at the Star Southfield Entertainment Centre, located on 12 Mile, between Telegraph and Northwestern in Southfield. Farmington High School students created a mystical, medieval entranceway in the theater complex lobby to welcome children and their families. Youngsters can sing in a karaoke contest at 10 a.m., and try winning a year membership to Fitness USA for their mothers. They'll also pot sunflowers and decorate a cookie for mom. A coloring contest and on-line essay contest complete the fun. Call (248)372-2222.*

**RIDGE DALE PLAYERS:** *Run for Your Wife* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 11-12 and 19-19, and 3 p.m. Sunday, May 6 and 20, \$11, \$10 seniors/students on Sundays, at the theater, Troy. (248) 988-7049

**SRO PRODUCTIONS:** *The Secret Affairs of Midred Wild* May 11-13, 18-20 and 25-27, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, at Burgh Historical Park, Southfield. (248) 827-0701

**TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE:** Shakespeare's *Tempest of the Shrew* continues to May 20, at the theater, Livonia. \$10. (734) 464-6302

**PONTIAC THEATRE IV:** *Inherit the Wind*, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, May 31 to June 2, Pontiac Northern High School, 1051 Ariens. \$7 adults, \$6 students/seniors. (248) 681-8215.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

**PAINTIN' IN THE STREETS:** The creative celebration of the city will allow spectators to view the artistic process up close each Saturday in May. More than 30 local artists will take to the streets to document their vision of Detroit's architecture and street scenes. These works will then be curated and presented in an exhibition and sale at the Scarab Club June 29 to July 29. Opening reception 6-9 p.m. Friday, June 29 at the club on Farnsworth behind the Detroit Institute of Arts. "Painting in the Streets" sessions 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, May 12 in Hart Plaza and Saturday, May 19 at Greetkown and Eastern Market. For more information, call project director Jillian Omand, (248) 399-0633

### BENEFITS

**BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:** Musical Toast to announce the 27th season, 6 p.m. Sunday, May 20, Townsend Hotel, 100 Townsend Street, Birmingham. Gourmet dinner with live music, auction to benefit the symphony. Tickets \$125 per person. (248) 645-8850

**ART OF PABLO DAVIS:** The Scarab Club will be displaying Detroit artist Pablo Davis' private collection 2-8 p.m. Saturday, May 12 with proceeds to benefit construction of The Intergenerational Center, which will house adult and childcare programs and provide space for community. The building is part of an effort to help reestablish a sense of community within southwest Detroit neighborhoods. Donation \$20. 217 Farnsworth, Detroit. (313) 842-4677.

**CATCH A RISING STAR:** Auction benefiting Wayne State University's artists in progress. Sponsored by Wayne State University's College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts, with support from famous alumni, local businesses and individuals. 6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, May 11 at the Detroit Athletic Club. \$100. Includes dinner. (313) 577-5336.

**GHATTIAN INVITATIONAL:** Annual golf outing July 30, at Shepherd's Hollow Golf Course, Clarkston. \$1400 foursome, \$350 individual, benefits Jesuit education. (800) 445-1621

**FOUNDERS JUNIOR COUNCIL:** Presents an evening of fashion and fun, features the "Laundry" clothing line of leisure wear by designer Shell Segal, and John Hardy's contemporary jewelry for men and women 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 10, at the Detroit Institute of Arts. \$25 members, \$40 non-members. (313) 833-0247

**LIFECYCLE OF A WOMAN:** Fashion show featuring clothing and goods from Birmingham specialty boutiques 4-9 p.m. Thursday, May 10, at the Birmingham Country Club. \$50-\$75, proceeds benefit the Junior League endowment fund. (248) 646-2613

**Dare to dream: Rebellious Dreamers presents a benefit, A Night of Magic and Music, which features performances by singer-songwriter Joy Adler (pictured), master magician Andrew Bennett and the photography of Lynn Antisdell, 7 p.m. Monday, May 21, The Penn Theatre, 760 Penniman Ave., Plymouth. A tax deductible contribution of \$20 is asked. Call (734) 480-8396.**



### CLASSICAL

**DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:** Itzhak Perlman performs with and conducts the DSO 8 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, May 9-10, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, May 12, at Orchest Hall, Detroit. \$19-\$52. (313) 576-5111

**REDFORD CIVIC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:** Present a Cabaret Concert 3 p.m. Sunday, May 13, at Thurston High School, Redford. Free. (313) 538-1652

### OPERA

**MICHIGAN OPERA THEATRE:** Present *Falstaff* May 12-20, at the Detroit Opera House. \$18-\$98. (313) 237-7464

### AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

**BOY CHOIR OF ANN ARBOR:** Auditions open to all boys age 8-13. (734) 663-5377

**CAMP BROADWAY:** Performing summer arts summer program for ages 10-17 July 23-27 at Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, Detroit. \$350, space is limited to 41 students. (313) 962-4304

**COOKIES AND MILK:** Auditions for volunteers to perform 10-minute musical or puppet segments for children ages 0-4 and their parent or caregiver 11 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at Cookies and Milk Drop-In Play Center, Canton. (734) 207-1655

**DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE:** Registration for Summer Camp of the Arts now being accepted, ages 7-11, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 18-July 6, at the Huntington Woods Recreation Center. (313) 955-3544

**DETROIT SYMPHONY CIVIC ORCHESTRA:** Holds auditions May 15 to June 13 for three of its programs for young musicians. Auditions will be held at Orchestra Hall for the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra and the Civic Sinfonia, and the DSO Summer Institute (July 15-29) at Meadow Brook in Rochester. To request applications for the orchestras or the institute, call (313) 576-5164 or go on-line to [www.detroitssymphony.com](http://www.detroitssymphony.com). All of the programs allow students to improve their orchestral skills. While the orchestra are divided between advanced (Civic) and emerging (Sinfonia) musicians, the two-week Summer Institute music camp is open to students of all levels from the ages of 12 to 25. This year the Institute will include Jazz. Students will be given basic instruction in improvisational techniques, jazz history, theory and performance. Trinity Theatre and conductor of the DSO's Civic Jazz Orchestra Marcus Belgrove will be involved in developing this aspect of the program.

**LIVONIA YOUTH CHOIR:** Auditions for boys and girls (ages 9-13) with unchanged voices for the 2001-2002 school year, must reside in Livonia and surrounding communities, a civic and tuition based organization, 4:30-6 p.m. Sunday, June 3 and 6:30-8 p.m. June 4, at Faith Lutheran Church, Livonia. Rehearsals begin in September and run weekly. (734) 425-1749

**PRIME VOCAL JAZZ:** Auditions for low bass singer, needed for established close harmony ensemble performing in Detroit/Ann Arbor area, requires strong music reading skills and excellent "ear," vocal jazz background a plus. (248) 682-6562

**RIDGE DALE PLAYERS:** Auditions for Shakespeare's comedy *As You Like It* Sunday-Monday evenings May 13-14, at the playhouse, Troy. Call for audition times (248) 853-6314 or visit the Web site at [www.ridgealeplayers.com](http://www.ridgealeplayers.com). For performances in July.

**SRO PRODUCTIONS:** Auditions for Shakespeare's *Tempest of the Shrew*, 7 p.m. May 22 in the city of Southfield's historic church at The Burgh, at Civic Center Drive and Burg Road. Performances in July and August. (248) 827-0710.

**TONY 'N' TINA'S WEDDING:** Female keyboardist/singer needed for understudy role in the interactive theater show in Detroit's Harmonie Theater. Need to read sheet music and chord charts for pop/jazz/wedding music. Acting ability a plus. Equipment provided. Compensated performance. Call for audition (248) 388-2700

### POPS/SWING

**BIRD OF PARADISE ORCHESTRA:** 9 p.m. Monday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310 (big band, swing, pop)

**TRIBUTE TO FRANK SINATRA:** Features Kevin Sands with the Craig Strain 12-piece Big Band 6 p.m. Sunday, May 13, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. \$10. (248) 478-8267/(248) 424-9022

**JIM PARAVANTES & COMPANY:** 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday through June, at Escalibur, Southfield. (248) 388-3355

**MOSE CARLETT/KEVIN WHITELEY/JACKIE WASHINGTON:** Perform songs from the 20s, 30s and 40s 8 p.m. Friday, May 4, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$13.50. (734) 763-TKTS

### CHORAL

**BOY CHOIR OF ANN ARBOR:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 12, in the chapel of Holy Trinity at Concorde College, Ann Arbor. Donations accepted at door will go to help send the boys on a Michigan tour his summer. (734) 663-5377

**BOYS CHOIR OF HARLEM:** 7 p.m. Thursday, May 10, at the Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$25-\$100. (248) 433-1515

**FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CHORUS:** "Tune That Name" Includes performances by the chorus, The Perfect Blend, and Kelly Garver Nieto (Miss Michigan 1986) on the country fiddle 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 11-12, at Farmington High School, Shawwassee, west of Orchard Lake Road. \$10, \$8 seniors/students, price at door and Web site \$12. (248) 788-5322 or [www.farmingtonchorus.com](http://www.farmingtonchorus.com)

**FINNISH AMERICAN SINGERS:** Present "Let There Be Music" 3 p.m. Sunday, May 20, at the Finnish Cultural Center, Farmington Hills. \$7 and high school and college students. (248) 478-6939/(248) 589-8829

**FORD CHORUS:** The Ford Motor Company chorus sings pop, 7:30 p.m., May 19 and 3 p.m., May 20, at Stout Middle School, 18500 Oakwood, Dearborn. Tickets. \$10 adults; \$8 seniors and students. (313) 323-8173

**MADRICAL CHORALE OF SOUTHFIELD:** 4 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at the Academy of the Sacred Heart, Bloomfield Hills. \$15. (810) 465-5973

**PRIME:** The Langford Men's Chorus and PRIME vocal jazz team up for the first time for a spring concert 3 p.m. Sunday, May 20, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Livonia. Free, donations accepted. (248) 682-6562 or visit the Web site at [www.PRIME-vocal-jazz.com](http://www.PRIME-vocal-jazz.com)

**THE GENEVA CONVENTION:** Perform sacred and popular choral music 7 p.m. Saturday, May 12, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Livonia, (734) 422-1470, and 3 p.m. Sunday, May 13, at Geneva Presbyterian Church, Canton, (734) 459-0013. No charge

### JAZZ/BLUES

**RON BROOKS TRIO:** 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

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

**TIM FLAHERTY TRIO:** With vocalist Nancy K 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, May 12, at Woodruff's Supper Club, Royal Oak. (248) 586-1519

**DAVE GRUBA TRIO:** 8 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

**ELVIN JONES:** The drummer performs with his band Jazz Machine 8 p.m. Friday, May 11, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$16-\$47. (313) 576-5111

**MIKE KAROUS'S DIXIE SYNCOPATORS:** 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, May 11 and Saturday, May 19, at Fishbones, St. Clair Shores. (810) 498-3000

**MATT MICHAELS TRIO:** Steve Wood, saxophone/flute 8:15-10:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, at Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren Road (east of Middlebelt), Garden City. (734) 762-7756