

8 days a week

A Guide to entertainment in the Metro Detroit area

THEATER

CENTURY THEATRE: Fully Committed opens Wednesday, Sept. 5, 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, and 1:30 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, Detroit. \$27.50-\$37.50, (313) 963-9800

GEM THEATRE: Dinner with Friends opens Wednesday, Sept. 5, 2 p.m. Wednesday, 8 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, Detroit. \$27.50-\$37.50, (313) 963-9800

POWER CENTER: The *Vagina Monologues* Thursday, Sept. 6 to Friday, Sept. 12, at the Power Center, Ann Arbor. \$20-\$40, (734) 763-TKTS(248) 645-6666

PURPLE ROSE THEATRE: World premiere of Annie Martin's *Completing Dahlia* continues to Sept. 1, at the theater, Chelsea. \$22.50-\$32.50, (734) 433-7673

COMMUNITY THEATER

MT. ZION CENTER FOR PERFORMING ARTS: Presents Gospel Art Studio performers in *Candies in the Window*, a dramatic play on the life of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a German theologian and resistance worker executed by the Gestapo, 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 1, at the arts center, Waterford. Advanced reserved seats \$8, \$7 students/seniors/groups of 20 or more, (248) 391-6166

VILLAGE PLAYERS: Season opens with *Father of the Bride*, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 14-15, 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16, (248) 644-2075, www.villageplayers.com

COLLEGE THEATER

HENRY FORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE: *Poor Gyn* Thursday-Sunday, Aug. 16-26, in Adray Auditorium of the MacKenzie Fine Arts Building on the campus, Dearborn. (313) 845-9900

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

INTERACTIVE CHILDREN'S LUNCH THEATER: "Saturday with the Johnson's" 11:30 a.m. Aug. 18, Sept. 8 and 22, and Oct. 6 and 20, at Geniti's, Northville. (248) 349-0522 or visit the Web site for a coupon www.geniti.com

LIVONIA YOUTH THEATRE: The sound of *Music 7 p.m.* Thursday, Aug. 16 and Saturday, Aug. 18, at the Livonia Civic Center Library. \$5, \$3 children. (810) 344-7774

MARQUIS THEATRE: *Pooh Visits Storyland Live on Stage* 10:30 a.m. Thursday-Friday, Aug. 14-17 and 21-24, 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18 and 25 and Sept. 8 and 15, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 9, 16, no children under age three. (248) 349-8110

SUMMER CONCERTS

GAZEBO CONCERT SERIES: Rich Eddy's *Rockin' Oldies Band* 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 22, at Burgh Historical Park, Southfield. (248) 424-9022

MUSIC IN THE PARK: Marc Thomas & Maz the Moose now Wednesday, Aug. 22, in Kellogg Park, Main Street, between Ann Arbor Trail, and Foreman, Plymouth. (734) 416-4278

MUSIC AT THE ZOO: Alberta Adams & Blues Crew 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 22; Kathy Kosins (Jazz) 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 29, on the front lawn of the Detroit Zoo, Royal Oak. \$8, \$6 seniors. Children ages 2-19. Zoo remains open until 9 p.m. on Wednesdays so visitors can enjoy the animals as well as the music. (248) 398-0900

MUSIC UNDER THE STARS: Livonia Symphony Orchestra 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 16 featuring vocalist Rebekah Walker, at Civic Center Park, Five Mile Road at Farmington Road, Livonia. (734) 468-2536

STARS IN THE PARK: Novi Community Band 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 16, in Heritage Park on Farmington Road, south of 11 Mile Road. (248) 473-1856

SPECIAL EVENTS

BRIDGE TOURNAMENT: Sessions begin at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Aug. 23-26, reservations not necessary, all levels of players, at the Finnish Center, Farmington Hills. (734) 480-9055



Classy: Actress Susan Griffiths portrays Marilyn Monroe at year's *Revin'* with Ford Charity, a Woodward Dream Cruise preview party, 6-11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 17 in downtown Birmingham. Tickets \$175 per person, call (248) 433-8600 for details. The fun continues 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18. Seven communities — Birmingham, Berkley, Ferndale, Huntington Woods, Pleasant Ridge, Royal Oak, and Pontiac, along the 16-mile Woodward corridor — are planning a variety of day-long activities on the cruise route or in downtown parking lots and on streets. Visit www.dreamcruise.org for details.

DETROIT DRUM SCHOOL: Drum Ensemble concert 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 24, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. \$10, \$7 ages 5-12, \$5 seniors. (248) 424-9022

REDFORD THEATRE: *Star Trek III: The Search for Spock* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 17 and *Star Trek IV: The Voyage Home* 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, organ overture 30 minutes prior to film showing, at the theater, Detroit. \$4 (313) 537-2580

JD'S KEY CLUB: 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18, Woodward Dream Cruise Party, featuring games, giveaways, dueling pianos and more. Wear 50s-60s attire. Admission is free at the club, Pontiac. (248) 338-7337

WALDFEST: A Bavarian Summer Festival including folk dance, song, children's program noon to 9 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 26, at the Austrian Park, Macomb Township. \$4, children under age 16 free. (810) 786-9058

WORLD PREMIERE: *Crossbow 5* Entertainment presents the world premiere of their movie *Biker Zombies from Detroit* 7:30 p.m., and 10:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 17 at Center Stage, 39940 Ford Road, Canton. \$10, (734) 398-6612.

Biker Zombies from Detroit is a horror/comedy contrasting the deadly streets of outer Detroit against the poish and protected upscale community of Grosse Pointe. After a series of horrific murders are committed in the Detroit area, it seems an evil darkness has descended on the streets of Grosse Pointe.

PICNIC AT THE PARK: at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 W. 11 Mile Road, west of Middlebelt. Farmington Hills, 5-8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 28. Moonwalks, entertainment by high school bands, clowns, face painting, balloons, hot dogs available for nominal cost. (248) 353-4100.

BENEFITS

ARTS DU JOUR: An event to preview Arts, Beats & Eats, featuring cuisine from metro Detroit restaurants, a silent art auction, fashion show, music by Alexander Zonjic & Friends, Karen Newman and the M-80s, 7-11 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 26, on the north side of the Somerset Collection, Troy. \$100, (248) 334-4600 or visit the Web site at www.artsdujour.org

SILENT AUCTION: As part of the annual African World Festival Kick-off reception, the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History will hold a silent auction 8

p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 15 at the museum, Detroit. \$25 non-members, \$20 members. Proceeds benefit the African World Festival, an outreach program sponsored by the museum. (313) 494-5800, ext. 0. The festival takes place Aug. 17-19 at Hart Plaza. Included in the Aug. 15 auction are art works in a variety of media including painting, prints, clay, photography, sculpture, and jewelry.

CLASSICAL

ANN ARBOR SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Opens its season with Stravinsky's *Petrushka* and Tchaikovsky's *Symphony No. 4* 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, pre-concert lecture with conductor Arlo Lipsky at 7 p.m., at the Michigan Theater, Ann Arbor. \$18, \$26, \$32, (734) 994-4801

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Opens its 2001-2002 season with Brahms *Symphony No. 4* with soprano Heidi Grant Murphy 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 13, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 576-5111

OPERA

DETROIT OPERA HOUSE: *Learning @ the Opera House* continues with lectures, lecture/workshops, performances and demonstrations for children, young adults, adults, seniors and special programs for the entire family Monday-Saturday to Aug. 26, at the opera house. (313) 961-3500

CHORAL

HOLMAN-CLIMAX MEN'S CHOIR: From Cornwall, England perform a concert 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 21, at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard Dr. at West

Chicago in Livonia, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 21. No admission charge. (734) 422-0494

AUDITIONS/OPPORTUNITIES

BEL CANTO CHORAL GROUP: Looking for women of all voices to perform repertoire of light classical, show tunes, light opera, seasonal and ethnic favorites through the metro Detroit area. (313) 640-0123

BLOOMFIELD PLAYERS COMMUNITY THEATRE: Auditions for *The King and I* 6:30 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Aug. 28-29, at Laher High School, Bloomfield Hills. For performances Nov. 9-11 and 16-18. (248) 433-0885

COBBLESTONE FARM DANCERS: 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, (slow jam 3-4 p.m., open band practice 4-6 p.m. free), at the Pittsfield Grange, Ann Arbor. \$7, (734) 665-8863/(734) 426-0241

DANCE GALLERY STUDIO: Offers a ballet intensive workshop with Slavka Jolinkova Monday-Friday, Aug. 20-24, Level I requires one to two years of ballet (\$100), Level II, two or more years of ballet (\$150), at the gallery, Ann Arbor. (734) 747-8885

HENRY FORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE: Auditions for *Winnie-the-Pooh* 7-9 p.m. Monday, Aug. 20 and Wednesday, Aug. 22, high school Juniors through adult age actors, in the Mackenzie Fine Arts Center on campus, Dearborn. For 13 performances running Nov. 23 to Dec. 2. (313) 845-9817

LIVONIA CIVIC CHORUS: Searching for a director. Rehearsals are held 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays September through May at Frost Middle School in Livonia. The chorus, composed of approximately 60 singers, presents two concerts a year at Christmastime and in the spring. (734) 427-5397

Rock: Black Rebel Motor-cycle Club returns with local operators PAIK and The Dirty Shame, 10 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 16, Gold Dollar, Detroit. Call (313) 833-6873.



LIVONIA YOUTH CHOIR: Auditions for girls and boys (boys must have unchanged voices) in grades 4-8 (ages 9-13) residing in Livonia and surrounding communities 6:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 5, at Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, west of Middlebelt, Livonia. (734) 425-1749

LIVONIA YOUTH PHILHARMONIC OF MICHIGAN: Call Wendy Bernard at (734) 591-7649 or visit the Web site at www.ypm.org for information about the philharmonic and auditions for the 2001-2002 season.

MADRICAL CHORALE: Auditions for male vocal parts and altos 5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 28, at Southfield-Lothrop High School. (248) 352-9527

METRO DANCE JUNIOR COMPANY: Call for dancers ages 7-10 years old with two years ballet and one year jazz training for performances, conventions and master classes through 2001-2002 season, company class and rehearsals Saturdays beginning mid-September, no audition required. (734) 207-8970

ARS NOVA: A semi-professional 22-voice choral ensemble based in Royal Oak that rehearses weekly, and performs regularly throughout metro Detroit. Is seeking new members, particularly tenors. Auditions will be held in late August and early September. Potential members should be prepared to sing a short selection of their choice (accompanist will be provided), sight-read a short section of music and vocalize to demonstrate their range. To schedule an audition, or for more information, call Dr. Craig Scott Symons (248) 414-7242 or e-mail at csymons@home.com. The 2001-2002 concert season is comprised of four concerts, and includes compact disc recording project.

PARK PLAYERS OF N. ROSEDALE PARK: For Harper Lee's *To Kill a Mocking Bird*, play by Christopher Sergel, directed by Sarah Hedeon for Park Players of N. Rosedale Park. Cast of adults and children. 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 13; 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, at the N. Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale, Detroit. For more information call, (734) 425-5942. Show dates Friday-Sunday, Nov. 9-11, Friday-Saturday, Nov. 16-17.

PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD: Auditions for 18 females (ages 6-50) and five males (ages 18-50) for *Little Women* 7 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Sept. 4-5, at the Water Tower Theatre, Northville. For performances Nov. 9-10, 16-18 and 23-24. (248) 437-8545/(248) 349-7110

SRO PRODUCTIONS: Auditions for *Visiting Mr. Green* 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 27, in the historic church on the corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road, one block east of Telegraph, Southfield. For Friday-Sunday performances Oct. 12-28. (248) 827-0740

TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS: Auditions for Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat and for its 2001-2002 season including the *Tinderbox Showchord* 7-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7 (ages 13 to adult), 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8 (ages 5-12), and 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 9 (ages 13 to adult), bring sheet music in your key and be prepared to dance. (313) 535-8952 or send e-mail to nll@paol.com

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE: Auditions for *A Night of One Act* 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Aug. 27-28, the three one act comedies are *Babel's in Arms*, *Time Flies* and *The Picketers*, reading for the auditions will be from the scripts, the plays call for seven men and three women, parts available for age 18 and up, no acting experience necessary, at the theater, Livonia. (734) 464-6302

VOCAL JAZZ: Schoolcraft College is looking for experienced singers for its vocal jazz program. Applicants must have an interest in singing jazz in groups and as a soloist. The two groups, which meet 3 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, sing in the close harmonic style of Manhattan Transfer and Singers Unlimited. All members will develop a solo singing repertoire during the semester. The vocal jazz program can be taken for college credit. All jazz performers are welcome (ages 16-80+). Rehearsals begin Aug. 28 and go at the college, 18600 Hagedy, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 420-8984 or e-mail jackple@hotmail.com

RACKHAM SYMPHONY CHOIR: Auditions for singing roles in *Amahl and the Night Visitors*, Thursday, Aug. 23. To be staged Saturday, Dec. 8, directed by Maestro Gian Carlo Menotti, composer of the holiday opera. Soprano Mary Callaghan Lynch will perform the leading role of the Mother. Auditions for the roles of Amahl, a boy soprano with unchanged voice, ages 10-13, 7-10 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 23. Auditions are by appointment only. Call Cheryl Krul between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday-Friday, (248) 738-9927. Performers interested in auditioning for the roles of the Three Kings and the Page should send a resume and a photograph to Ray Litt, president, Rackham Symphony Choir, 555 Brush Street, Number 2311, Detroit, 48226. Do not send tapes or CDs.

THEATRE GUILD: Male and female roles for an old-fashioned melodrama *No No a Million Times No* (*She's only the Farmer's Daughter*), 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 26, 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 27, Theatre Guild of Livonia-Rosedale, 15138 Beech Daly Road, Redford. Certain roles require some singing, lots of fun. Call (313) 534-0554 for more information, leave a message.

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

BOSTON POPS: 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 16, at the Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$37.50-\$75. (248) 433-1515

SINATRA THROUGH THE YEARS: Performed by Jim Paravantes & Company 7:30-11:30 p.m. Friday and 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Aug. 17-18, 24-25, and Aug. 31-Sept. 1, at Excalibur Restaurant, Southfield. (248) 358-3355

POPS/SWING

JAZZ/BLUES

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

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

DALE GRISA TRIO: 6-8 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

COGNITO: 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$27.50-\$47.50, (248) 433-1515

PAUL KELLER: And the 17 piece Bird of Paradise Orchestra play Benny Goodman's music, features Jim Wyse as Benny, 3-6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 26, at the Monaghan Knights of Columbus, Livonia. (248) 476-2674/(248) 855-1342

BILL LYMPERIS: Friday-Saturday, Aug. 24-25, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$10, (734) 662-8310

MATT MICHAELS TRIO: Louis Smith, trumpet & flugelhorn 8-11:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 22; vocalist Judi Cochill 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 23; at the Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren Road (east of Middlebelt), Garden City. Reservations recommended for the Jazz Room. Special guest Paul Vornhagen, saxophone, flute & vocals, Wednesday, Aug. 8, \$5 cover with dinner order, \$10 cover without dinner. (734) 762-7756

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

STONE TERRACE PATIO PARTY: 7-11 p.m. Tuesday (Gratitude Steel Band) and Wednesday (The Warner Commission) through the summer, at the Big Rock Chop & Brew House, Birmingham. (248) 647-7774

DENNIS & APRIL TINI: Three sets beginning 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 17-18, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$10 cover for all three sets. (734) 662-8310

URSULA WALKER/BUDDY BUDSON: 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Saturday, Aug. 17-18 Columbine's Champagne Celler, Detroit. (313) 331-0922

FOLK/ACOUSTIC

PATTY GRIFFIN: 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 17, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$25, (734) 763-TKTS

DICK BEEBLES: 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$12.50, (734) 763-TKTS