

8 days a week

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"NO TO STAR WARS" BENEFIT: With New England songwriter-storytellers Charlie King and Karen Brendow, Windsor's Len Wallace, and One by One, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, St. James Church auditorium, 241 Pearson, Ferndale, \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door; \$30 benefactor. (248) 548-3920, (810) 783-5251

ONE FLIGHT UP: 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon at Junction. \$15. Call (734) 416-4278

AL PURCELL MEMORIAL CONCERT: 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28, The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$15. (734) 761-1800

JERE STORMER: With Lili Fox, North, and Fubar perform as part of a benefit for the Center for Independent Living, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27, The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$15. (734) 761-1800

WORLD MUSIC

DERIVISH: 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15. (734) 761-1451 (Irish)

PAT MCDUNN: 8-11 p.m. Friday, at Duke Humphries, Rochester Hills. (248) 601-1100 (Irish)

AL PURCELL IRISH MUSIC GATHERING: Irish music, sessions, and workshops in uilleann piping, Irish flute, and harp and making in honor of the late Al Purcell, Friday-Sunday, Sept. 28-30, The Ark, Ann Arbor and First United Methodist Church, both in Ann Arbor. (734) 420-0962, (519) 948-9149

TANNAHILL WEAVERS: 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$16. (734) 761-1451 (Scottish)

DANCE

BURN THE FLOOR: Featuring 44 champion Latin and ballroom dancers, Friday-Sunday, Sept. 28-30, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$15-\$60. (313) 471-6611

CONTRA DANCING: Fourth Friday Fling Advance Contra Dance, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28, Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor Saline Road, Ann Arbor. \$10. (734) 665-8864; English Country Dancing, 7-9:45 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2, Chapel Hill Clubhouse, 3350 Green Road, Ann Arbor. \$6. (734) 422-1170

MOON-DUSTERS: Ballroom dancing to live bands, featuring swing, fox trot, waltz, cha-cha and Latin. 8:30-11:30 p.m. Saturdays, at the Livonia Civic Center, 15218 Farmington Road at Five Mile. \$5. (248) 987-1428

RHYTHM N' SHOES: Weekly ballroom/Latin dance party with DJ, 8:30-10:30 p.m. Thursdays, at the club, 2172 Franklin Road, Bloomfield Hills. \$7. (248) 334-0299

U-M BALLROOM DANCE CLUB: Ballroom dance lesson and open dancing 4-10 p.m. Sunday, at the Union Ballroom, Ann Arbor. \$2. (734) 763-6994

UMS SERIES: Liz Lerman Dance Exchange Hallelujah with Rudy Hawkins and the Rudy Hawkins Singers 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, Power Center for Performing Arts, Ann Arbor. \$28, \$24, \$18, \$14. (734) 764-2538

WATERFORD-OAKS BALLROOM DANCING: At 2800 Watkins Lake Road, Waterford, 8-11 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5. (248) 673-4764.

COMEDY

A LITTLE BIT BLUE: An original sketch comedy show written by local playwrights Mark Holland, Mike Davis and Rami Farhat, Fridays-Saturdays through Sept. 29, at the Allen Dubois Theatre in Canton High School. (810) 403-4746 or visit the Web site at www.fourleggedproductions.com

ANN ARBOR COMEDY SHOWCASE: Soupy Sales, 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 28-29. \$19 in advance, \$21 at the door. Bert "Chili" Chellis, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Oct. 5-6, at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. Tickets for Chellis \$5 in advance, \$7 at the door for Thursday; \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door for Friday-Saturday. (734) 998-9080

HOLLY HOTEL: Sheila Lovely and Ken Severa, Friday-Saturday, Sept. 21-22; Sheila Kaye and Daylin Camer, Friday-Saturday, Sept. 28-29, at the hotel's comedy club, 110 Battle Alley, Holly. (248) 634-5208

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S: Rob Little, Sept. 28-29; Rob Haney, Oct. 4-7 (8:30 p.m. Thursday, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 7 p.m. Sunday), at the club, 5070 Schaefers Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CLUB: Lewis Black and Greg Walker, Sept. 27-29. \$10 Thursday, \$15 Friday, and \$17.50 Saturday; Steve McGrew and Dean Mink, Oct. 4-6. \$8 Thursday, \$12 Friday, \$14 Saturday. (248) 542-8900

ROYAL OAK THEATRE: Margaret Ocho performs two shows, 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10, at the theatre. \$25-\$35. 21 and older. (248) 645-6666

ST. ANDREW'S HALL: Jim Brewer's Heavy Metal Comedy Hour, 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, at the venue, 415 E. Congress, Detroit. \$20.

SECOND CITY: Mayor Go-Round Thursday-Sunday; Jammin' Wednesday featuring The Best of Second City, at Second City-Detroit. (248) 645-6666

SECOND CITY TOURING COMPANY: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 5-6, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$20; \$15 student ID. (734) 761-1800

JERRY BEINFELD: 7 p.m. Friday and 7 and 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5-6, at the Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$47, \$62 and \$77. (248) 433-1515

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

CRANBROOK HOUSE: Tours continue to Oct. 25, walk-in-Dunham tours at 3 p.m. for \$10, and 1 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. Thursday for \$10, \$15 for lunch (reservations needed), at 390 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-3147. Tours also available at Scarsden House, call (877) 462-7282

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE: Mostly music, a hands-on, interactive exhibit that offers opportunities to listen to music from different eras and countries, and experiment with various instruments while learning about harmony and dissonance, tone and pitch, and rhythm and syntheses, Sept. 29-30, 6, at the museum, 2221 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. \$7 adults; 4-17 children ages 4-17, students with ID and senior citizens ages 65 and older; free for children ages 3 and younger. 1-877-462-7282 or www.cranbrook.edu

DETROIT 200: Wild Adventure simulator, the only motion-based zoo simulator in the nation, illustrates the importance of protecting nature to ensure the survival of animals - experience what it is like to run like a cagor, swim like a dolphin. Based on NASA's flight simulator technology, Wilderness Adventure uses slight, multi-sensory sound and almost 2 g's of motion to create a multi-sensory experience, at the zoo. \$7.50, \$5.50 seniors/students and ages 2-12. (248) 398-0900 or visit the Web site at www.detroitzoo.org

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THE BLACK CROWES: With Beachwood Sparks, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 11, Eastern Michigan Convocation Center, Ypsilanti. (248) 645-6666

BLACK MAGIC CROSSING: With WBR, Wolf Pac, MFPS, 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, Emerald Theatre, Mt. Clemens. \$8. (810) 913-1920

BLISS 68: With Michelle Penn, Lucid Jones, 7 n.m., Emerald Theatre, Mt. Clemens. All ages. \$10 advance. (810) 913-1920

BLUE CAT 7: 7 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Oct. 10-11, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. All ages. Free. (248) 644-4800

THE BLUE HAWAIIANS: 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 28-29, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. All ages. Free. (248) 644-4800

THE BLUES AIRMEN: Saturday, Sept. 29, Phil's Garden City. (734) 522-6510

BLUE SUIT TRIO: Featuring Doug Deming, 7 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Oct. 3-4, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. All ages. Free. (248) 644-4800

BOUNCING SOULS: With Flogging Molly, One Man Army, Madcap, 6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 24, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. All ages. \$12. (248) 645-6666

THE BROTHERS GROOVE: 10 p.m. Thursdays, Music Menu, Detroit. (313) 961-MENU

AL CARMICHAEL: 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 1, 8, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. All ages. Free. (248) 644-4800

ALICE COOPER: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 9, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. \$36. (248) 645-6666

CROWBAR: With Tricky Woo, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2, The Shelter, Detroit. All ages. \$10. (248) 645-6666

THE DAMNED: With Swingin' Utters, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. \$15-\$17. (248) 645-6666

DARK STAR ORCHESTRA: 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 27, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. \$16-\$19. All ages. (248) 645-6666

DC TALK: With Toby Mac, Tai and Koolha, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26, Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. \$19-\$26. (734) 763-TKTS

THE DELIVERY BOYS: 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, Cowley's Old Village Inn, Farmington. (247) 474-5941

DESTRUCTIVE RITS: With Motor City Burger, 2 Days Straight, Mind Candy, 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$6. (248) 544-3030

DETROIT BLUES SOCIETY: Presents Detroit Blues Piano Summit V, with Mike Montgomery, Kerry Price, Kenny Cox, Bob Seely, 2-4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13, Scarsden Club. \$33-9700

DETROIT CARS FEST: With The Sun Messengers, Thelma, The Floaters, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. \$20 at the door. (248) 544-7938

DIAMOND: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 5-6, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$37.50-\$67.50. (248) 645-6666

THE DONNAS: With The Kicks, The Eyeliners, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 16, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. \$12. All ages. (313) 833-9700

DOWNTOWN BROWN: With Elmore, 10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28, 313 JAC, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. \$5. (313) 962-7067

DROPPICK MURPHY: With Sick of It All, Tiger Army, 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. All ages. \$13. (248) 645-6666

BOB DYLAN: 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9, Cobo Hall, Detroit. \$25. \$37.50. (248) 645-6666

EAGLE EYE CHERY: With Leone Neess, 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 22, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$10. 18 and older. (248) 645-6666

EKOOSTIK HOOKAH: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 25, Michigan Theatre, Ann Arbor. All ages. \$15. (248) 645-6666

CESARIA EVORA: 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 2, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. \$25-\$35. 21 and older. (248) 645-6666

THE FAINT: 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 14, Magic Stick, Detroit. 18 and older. \$8-\$10. (248) 645-6666

MELISSA FERICK: 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 21, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$10. 18 and older. (248) 645-6666

FIREWATER: With AM/FM, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. 19 and older. \$8. (248) 645-6666

FIVE HORSE JOHNSON: With Hallelujah to Gone, Shenephren, Dirty Americans, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. \$8. (248) 645-6666

BEN FOLDS: 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. All ages. \$15. (248) 645-6666

GOD SPEED YOU BLACK EMPEROR: 10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. \$12. (248) 645-6666

GOLDFRAPP: 9 p.m. Monday, Oct. 1, Gem Theatre, Detroit. 18 and older. \$12. (248) 645-6666

HEMIGOOD: With Face, Peter Torque, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. \$5, 21 and older. (248) 645-6666

SCOTT HENDERSON: Canceled. Refunds at point of purchase.

DAN HICKS & THE HOT LICKS: 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 15, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15. (248) 544-3030

THE CHARLIE HUNTER QUARTET: With Keller Williams, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 10, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. \$16.50. All ages. (248) 544-7949

THE INCURABLES: Friday-Saturday, Sept. 28-29, Nik's Bar & Grill, Romulus. (734) 326-9300

JANE'S ADDICTION: With Live, Stereo MC's, 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$45.50. (248) 645-6666

ELTON JOHN: 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13, Joe Louis Arena, Detroit. \$47.50-\$87.50. (248) 645-6666

JOSH JOPLIN GROUP: 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 8, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$8. (248) 544-3030

JUDAS PRIEST: With Anthrax, Iced Earth, 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$18.50-\$29.50. (248) 645-6666

FEMI KUTI: 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 8, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. \$25-\$28. (313) 833-9700

LET FREEDOM ROCK FUNDRAISER: With Dick Wagner, The Mystery Man of Alice Cooper, Lou Reed and The Frost, with The Invaders, Scuba La Bobale, Red Mercury, Sunday Afternoon, Loose Cannon, Steve Somers Band, Lancy, Coniption, 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30, Emerald Theatre, Mt. Clemens. \$10. (810) 913-1920

BOBBY LEWIS & THE CRACKERJACK BAND: 8:30 p.m. Thursday, 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 11-13, 18-20, 25-27, Major Tooley's, Northville. (248) 456-1680

OTTMAR LIEBERT: 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 24, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. \$25-\$35. 21 and older. (248) 645-6666

MAOUIE, PIERCE & LIO: 10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27, Music Menu, Detroit. 21 and older. (313) 964-6368

MAN OR ASTRONAUT: With Atom Bomb Compagnie, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26, Magic Bag, Detroit. 18 and older. \$12. (313) 833-9700

MAXWELL: With Alicia Keys, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Oct. 9-10, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$37.50-\$75. (248) 433-1515

STONEY MAZAR & THE WESTSIDERS: 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 12-13, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. All ages. Free. (248) 644-4800

BILLY MCALOUGHIN: With Jeff Aronoff, 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$12. (248) 544-3030

MEDESKI MARTIN & WOOD: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27, Michigan Theatre, Ann Arbor. All ages. \$22. (248) 645-6666

MEGADEATH: 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. 21 and older. \$25. (248) 645-6666

MIDNIGHT OIL: With Will Hoag, 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. All ages. \$20. (248) 645-6666

WIGHTY KING KINGS: 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$12. (248) 544-3030

THE M-80S: 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 21 and 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 31, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. Tickets \$25-\$35. Workshop 2:30-4:30 p.m. (248) 544-7938

MY LIFE WITH THE THRILL KILL: With Professional Murder Music, 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 2, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. 18 and older. \$12. (248) 645-6666

NEW DEAL: 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13, Magic Stick, Detroit. 18 and older. \$10. (248) 645-6666

NEW FOUND GLORY: With H2O, RX Bandits, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 1, State Theatre, Detroit. \$25. (248) 645