

# 8 days a week

A Guide to entertainment in the Metro Detroit area

### THEATER

**CENTURY THEATRE:** *Fully Committed* continues 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

**DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE:** *Missizy and the Angel Tree* continues to Dec. 30, 8:30 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays, 3 and 8:30 p.m., Saturdays and 2 and 7:30 p.m., Sundays, at the theater, 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit. \$15. (313) 868-1347

**FISHER THEATRE:** *Vagina Monologues* Tuesday, Feb. 19-Sunday, Feb. 24, 8 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday. \$23-\$45.50. (248) 645-6666. (248) 963-2366.

**GEM THEATRE:** *Dinner with Friends* continues 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

**JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE:** *Talley's Folly* continues to Dec. 30, Thursday and Sunday, 8 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday. \$16-\$28. (248) 788-2300

**MEADOW BROOK THEATRE:** *The Mystery of Irma Vep* opens for previews Wednesday, Jan. 9, opening night, 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12, continues through Sunday, Feb. 3, Oakland University campus, Rochester. 8 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday previews, \$17; 8 p.m. Friday preview \$28; 8 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, 2 p.m. Wednesday, Saturday-Sunday, \$26; 8 p.m. Friday, \$34; 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, \$38. Show times vary, (248) 377-3300.

### COMMUNITY THEATER

**THEATER GUILD OF LIVONIA:** *REDFORD:* Presents the holiday 'family musical *Bates in Toyland* 7 p.m., through Saturday, Dec. 29, at the theater, 15138 Beech Daly in Redford. \$5. (313) 531-0554

**PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN:** *Beau Jest* opens 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 11. Curtain 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 18-19, Jan. 25-26, 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 20 and Jan. 27. (313) 531-TIKES. www.playersguildofdearborn.org

### COLLEGE THEATER

**HILBERG THEATRE:** The comedy *Season's Greetings* continues in rotating repertory to Feb. 2, at the theater, Detroit. \$12-\$20. (313) 577-2972

### YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

**DETROIT PUPPET THEATRE:** *Cinderella*, a marionette ballet version of the popular story. 2 p.m. Saturdays in December, at the theater, Detroit. \$7, \$5 children. (313) 961-7771

**MARQUIS THEATRE:** *Charlotte's Web* 2:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 29-30, and Jan. 5-6, 12-13 and 19-20, and Thursday-Friday, Dec. 27-28, at the theater, Northville. \$7.50. No children under age 3. (248) 349-8110

### SPECIAL EVENTS

**COMMUNITY KWAZAZA CELEBRATION:** 1-6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 28, a Celebration of *Ujima* (Collective Work and Responsibility), movies, workshops and performance for children, adults and families, at the museum, 315 East Warren, Detroit. \$5. \$3 children age 17 and under. (313) 494-5800, ext. 0.

**IRISH CELEBRATION:** Traditionally in rural Ireland, entire communities gathered where the roads met to sing, dance and play music all night long. On Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 29-30, performers will do the same at 7:30 p.m. at the annual Crossroads Celtic, a celebration of traditional music and dance of Ireland and Cape Breton, at The Ark, 316 Main Street, Ann Arbor. \$12.50. (734) 761-1451. Want to do more than listen and enjoy the music? Guest artists Seamus Connolly, a 10-time All-Ireland fiddle

## Wild Winter Days



Holiday fun: Enjoy Wild Winter days at the Detroit Zoo. Hear Barbara Ogars Student Flute Choir 1 p.m. or storytelling 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 29. Mary Durkacs and Kathy Tomczyk sing from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 30, at the Detroit Zoo, 8450 West 10 Mile at Woodward, Royal Oak. Admission is \$8, \$6 seniors and ages 2-18, under age 1 free. For more information, call (248) 998-0900 or the Wild Winter Events Hotline at (248) 541-5835, or visit the Web site at www.detroitzoo.org.

die champion and Celtic pianist Barbara MacDonald Magone will hold workshops from noon to 5 p.m. both days. \$25, \$15 under age 12. For more information, call (313) 537-3489.

**RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR:** Starring the Rockettes, times vary, continues through Saturday, Dec. 29. Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$15-\$57.50. (313) 471-6611

**TOY & HOBBY EXPO:** 5-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 28, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 29, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 30, at the Novi Expo Center, I-96 and Novi Road. \$6, \$3 children, \$5 parking. (734) 455-2110

### NEW YEAR'S EVE

**ANGELO'S BANQUET HALL:** 8 p.m. to 3 a.m., dinner buffet, live night snack, DJ playing your favorite songs, dancing all night long, at the hall, Westland. \$75. (734) 427-1872 or (734) 216-9451

**ANN ARBOR COMEDY SHOWCASE:** Tim Walkoe 8 p.m. (\$25.50) and 10:30 p.m. (\$29.50) Monday, Dec. 31, at the club, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

**BIRD OF PARADISE:** Ramone Collins. Monday, Dec. 31. (\$50, \$75 a couple), at the club, Ann Arbor. (734) 662-8310

**DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE:** See *Missizy and the Angel Tree*, evening begins at 8 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres followed by the play at 9 p.m., a buffet supper follows, at the theater, Detroit. (313) 868-1347

**GEM AND CENTURY THEATRES:** And the Century Club Restaurant are offering package deals which include an evening of theater, dinner, live music and dancing. \$39.50 to \$100. (313) 963-9800

**JD'S KEY CLUB DUETING PIANOS:** Fully catered buffet dinner, reserved seating, cash bar champagne and brunch, and the outrageous fun of dueling pianos. \$65. (248) 338-7337 or www.jdskeyclub.com

**JOY MANOR:** Prime rib dinner buffet, music by All Hill and the Love Butlers, the the manor, Westland. \$75. (734) 525-0960

**LAUREL MANOR:** Dance to the music of the Blue Genes at the New Year's Eve Gala, festivities begin at 7 p.m., dinner served at 8 p.m., at the restaurant, Livonia. \$85. (734) 462-0770

**MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CLUB:** Fred Greenlee, also Mark Sweetman Monday, Dec. 31, 9 p.m. Thursday, \$12 Friday, \$14

Saturday, (248) 542-9900

**NORTHVILLE NITE:** Celebrate New Year with your family 5-9 p.m., fun, food, carnival games, crafts, swimming, magic and entertainment, at the Recreation Center, 700 West Baseline, Northville. \$13. \$8 children age 10 and under. (248) 343-0293

**THE SECOND CITY:** Red Wings Hat Trick package (\$95 per person) - 4:50-8:30 p.m. dinner at Hockeytown Cafe, 7 p.m. shuttle to Joe Louis for the game, 9 p.m. after party. Second City Early Bird dinner package (\$85 per person) 5:30-7:15 p.m. dinner at Hockeytown Cafe, 7:30-9:15 p.m. performance of the mainstage show Mayor-Go-Round; 9 p.m. after party. Second City Night Owl dinner package (\$99 per person), 8:45 p.m. dinner at Hockeytown Cafe, 10:11-4:45 p.m. performance of Mayor-Go-Round, 9 p.m. after party; Second City Early Bird package, (\$25 per person), 7:30-9:15 p.m. Mayor-Go-Round performance, 9 p.m. after party; Second City Night Owl package, (\$39 per person) 10:11-4:45 p.m. Mayor-Go-Round performance, 9 p.m. after party begins on second and third floors of Hockeytown Cafe with dancing and merriment. Must be 21 or older for admittance. (313) 965-2222, 2300 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

### CLASSICAL

**BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:** Under the direction of Felix Resnick present a "Movie Classic" concert featuring the music from 2001, a *Space Odyssey*, *Ordinary People* and *Star Wars* 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 29, plan on arriving early (6:30 p.m.) for a mini-concert by the Painted Area Young String Orchestra and students from the Livonia Youth Symphony, at Temple Beth El, 14 Mile and Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills. \$25. (248) 645-2276

### CHORAL

**REDFORD ECUMENICAL CHOR FESTIVAL:** Numerous choirs from Redford will come together for prayerful fellowship and songs, 5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 27, Robert Bellarmine Church, corner of W. Chicago and Inkster roads. (313) 937-0608

### AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

**BIRMINGHAM CONCERT BAND:** Looking for new musicians for the 65-member adult band, all instruments welcome especially low brass and percussion, rehearsal on Wednesday in Groves High School bandroom. (248) 474-4997, (248) 647-7585 or visit the Web site at birminghamconcertband.com

**FARMINGTON PLAYERS:** Auditions for the musical *Once Upon a Mattress* 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 20, at Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, south of Maple, West Bloomfield. Call director Lisa Muslo at (248) 661-3202 for information.

**FIRST THEATRE GUILD:** Auditions for *The Hobbit* 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 3 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 6, parts available for children (age 8 and up) and adults, everyone interested in auditions should be prepared to read, in Knox Auditorium at First Presbyterian Church, 1669 Maple, between Southfield and Cranbrook roads. For performances, March 15-17 and 22-24. (248) 644-2087, ext. 151

**LIVONIA CIVIC CHORUS:** Looking for singers. The chorus begins rehearsals for a spring concert 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 8, at Frost Junior High in Livonia. All voice parts are needed. (734) 427-5397 or send e-mail to gross2g@aol.com

**LIVONIA YOUTH PHILHARMONIC:** If you are a musician in grades 1-12 with at least one year of experience and interested in playing with a youth orchestra, the Livonia Youth Philharmonic is holding auditions for its winter semester beginning Jan. 5, openings available in most sections. (734) 591-7649 or online at www.LVPM.org

**PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS:** Open auditions for the chorus 9 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 8, at Hillside Middle School, Eight Mile and Center Street, Northville. Additional auditions by appointment. (734) 455-4080

**PLYMOUTH ORATORIO SOCIETY:** Rehearsals start 7:15 p.m. Monday, Jan. 7, at Discovery Middle School, 45093 Hanford Road, Canton. No auditions required. The choral group performs Beethoven's Ninth Symphony with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra March 18 and with the Detroit Symphony Civic Symphony

Orchestra March 24 at Orchestra Hall. (734) 455-8353

### CHRISTIAN

**SPIRITBOUND:** At Calvary Baptist Church, Joy Road between Lilley and Main) Canton, 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 30. (734) 455-0022

### POPS/SWING/ CABARET

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

**DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:** The Colors of Christmas, Pablo Bryson, Shaena Easton, Michael McDonalds and Oleta Adams join the orchestra for performances 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 23, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$15-\$82. (313) 576-5111

### JAZZ/BLUES

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

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

**RAMONA COLLINS:** Monday, Dec. 31, (\$50, \$75 a couple), at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. (734) 662-8310

**PETE FOUNTAIN:** 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12, Music Hall Center for Performing Arts, 350 Madison, Detroit. \$22-\$50, student, senior, group discounts available. (313) 962-3665

**MATT MICHAELS TRIO:** 8:11-30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 9, with guest artists, Larry Nozoro, alto sax and flute; Jan. 16 vocalist April Tini and the Wayne State University Vocal Jazz Group; Jan. 23 Ursula Walker vocals, Buddy Budson, piano; Jan. 30 vocalist Barbara Ware, Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren Road, two blocks east of Middlebelt Road. (734) 762-7758

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

**RF'S RHYTHM ROCKERS:** 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 20, at Edison's Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

**SUNNY WILKINSON:** Friday-Saturday, Dec. 28-29, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$10, \$7

students. (734) 662-8310

### FOLK/ACOUSTIC

**LARRY ARBOUR:** 7 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, at Flying Fish Tavern, 17600 W. 13 Mile Road, east of Southfield Road. (248) 647-7747

### WORLD MUSIC

**PAT MCCURRY:** 8:11 p.m. Friday, at Duke Humphries, Rochester Hills. No cover. (248) 601-1100 (Irish)

### DANCE

**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 Road. \$5. (248) 967-1428

**RHYTHM 'N' SHOES:** Weekly ballroom/Latin dance party with DJ, 8:30-10:30 p.m. Thursday, 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) 783-6984

**COUNTRY WESTERN DANCE:** Sponsored by Wolverine Silverspur Dancers, 7:30-11:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 11, Italian American Cultural Center, 12 Mile Road, east of Hoover, Warren. Free dance lesson and snacks. \$7. (810) 673-0668, djl@home.com

**POLKA BOOSTERS:** Inaugural Dinner Dance, Sunday, Jan. 13, PVT. John Lyskawa Hall, 8828 Waverly, Dearborn Heights. Doors open 12:30 p.m., dinner 1:30 p.m., dancing 3-7 p.m. \$20 Includes beer and set-ups, call Ann (313) 937-1316 or Ray (313) 562-3175

### COMEDY

**ANN ARBOR COMEDY SHOWCASE:** Devin McPeak, Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 27-29; Tim Walkoe, Monday, Dec. 31, at the club, Ann Arbor. (734) 998-9080

**FOX THEATRE:** Rick Smiley headlines the Def Comedy Jam, with Mike Epps, Ricky Harris, Horst John and DJ Showtime, 9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 30, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$32.50-\$42.50. Tickets for Sept. 15 performance will be honored. (248) 645-6668

**Joey's Comedy Club at Palace's:** at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

**MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CLUB:** Fred Greenlee, \$150 Mark Sweetman Monday, Dec. 31, \$6 Thursday, \$12 Friday, \$14 Saturday. (248) 542-9900

**SECOND CITY:** New on Tuesdays, *Law & Disorder* and *Standing on Ceremony*; Jammin' Wednesdays features *The Best of Second City*; Mayor-Go-Round showtimes on Thursday-Sunday at Second City Detroit. Ticket prices and showtimes vary. \$5-\$20. (313) 965-2222

### MUSEUMS AND TOURS

**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 syncopation, continues to Jan. 6, at the museum, 39221 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. \$7 adults; \$4 children ages 4-17; students with ID and senior citizens ages 65 and older; free for children ages 3 and younger. 1-877-462-7262 or www.cranbrook.edu

**DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM:** *Poish Presence in Detroit* exhibit continues, at the museum. Free with regular museum admission. (313) 833-1419

**HENRY FORD MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE:** (MAX movies 'NSync and Super Speedway continue at the museum), Dearborn. (313) 271-1620

**MEADOW BROOK HALL:** Tours continue through June, 1:30 p.m. Monday-Sunday, and 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Sunday, late served 3:40 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15, Feb. 19 (\$30, prepaid reservations required), at the hall in Rochester. Reservations required. (248) 370-3140 or www.meadowbrookhall.org