Your Guide to Suburban Entertainment

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Continued from previous page Continued from previous page bass. Deadline for application is May 11. (248) 375-9534 Franklin Village Band: Adult musicians from southeastern Michigan care invited to join the Franklin Village Band. All instruments work. On the page 18 of the pa 8869 or Bob Zimmerman, (313)

535-4119 Henry Ford Community College: Auditions for Story Theatre, 7-10 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, June 4-5. Mackenzie Fine Arts Center, on campus, 5101 Evergree,
Dearborn, Second City-style scripted show consist of improvisations ed show consist of improvisations "and readings from script." Performances Aug. 15-25, course registration required. (313) 845regisu 9817

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Livonia Youth Choir: Is now looking for new members as well as a music director. Interested persons for the director position should have a degree in tion should have a degree in music performance or music education, and a demonstrated interest and love of working with young people. Auditions for choir members will be held. in September for girls and boys (with unchanged voices) who will be in grades 4-8 in the new school year. For more information, call (734) 425-1749 in September for girls and

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Oakland Youth Orchestra:
Auditions for 2002-2003 season,
Sunday, May 12, Wednesdey, May
15, Friday-Saturday, May 17-18.
To register criline, www.oyoml.org
or call (248) 652-2526, Group
consists of three separate per
forming groups for musicians in
grades 3-12.
Plymouth Theatre Guild/Spotlight
Players: Accepting applications for

Players: Accepting applications for book directors, music coordinators, choreographers, music conductors, audition accompanists, rehearsal accompanists, must-clans for the 2002-2003 season presentations of Cinderella, A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, and Dial 'M' for Murder, Applications due Friday, May 31, call (248) 349-7110 May 31, call (248) 349-7110
Ridgedale Players: Junior Actors
of Ridgedale is holding auditions
for The Beverly Hillbillies 1 p.m.
Seturday, April 27, young people
ages 13-18 are invited to audition
for production which runs June 21 ages 13-18 are invited to audition for production which runs June 21-23, at the Ridgedale Playhouse, 205 West Long Lake, between Livernois end Crooks, Troy. (248) 584-2345 stagecrafters: Auditions for Youth Theatre production of Peter Pan.

Stagecrafters: Auditions for Youth Theatre production of Peter Pan, 8:30-10 a.m. Saturdey, April 27, Baldwin Theatre, 415 S, Lafayette, Royal Oak, Show opens July 19, (248) 541-8027.

POPS/SWING/ CABARET

CABARET

Bird of Paradise Orchestra: 9
p.m. Monday, at the Bird of
Paradise, Ann Arbor. (734) 6628310. (blg band, swing, bop)
Birmingham Community Band:
Pilm Clessies Live, featuring Jack
Gogin, former WQRS radio host, 3
p.m. Sunday, April 28, Groves
High School auditorium, 20500 W.
-13 Millo.
Rockapella: Known for the
Folger's Coffee commercial, and
Where in the World is Carman San
Diego will perform 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 4 at North
Farmington High School, 33900

saurouy, may 4 at Norm Farmington High School, 32900 W, 13 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. \$15 adults, \$10 students & seniors. (248) 426-4740.

JAZZ/BLUES

Christa Grix: Jazz harpist, 7:30 p.m. Fridoy, April 26, Borders Books, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington. Ron Brooks Trio: 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, Bird of Parcolise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. [734] 682-

Loe Catos: 9 p.m. Wednesday, Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor, \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310 cover. (734) 662-8310
Paul Keller Orchestra: Featuring clarinetist Jim Wyse and vocalist Susan Chesteln 3 p.m. Sunday, April 28, at Temple Beth-El Synagogue, 14 Mile at Telegraph, Bloomileid Hills. \$15. (248) 476-

Matt Michaels Trio: With guests 8-11:30 p.m. Wednesday, at

Ron's Fireside inn, 28937 Warren Road, two blocks east of: Middlebelt, \$5 cover with dinner order, \$10 without. (734) 762-7756

order, \$10 without. (734) 762-7756
Larry Nozero Jazz Quintet:
Performs 8 p.m. to midnight
Monday, at Mitch Housey's Food
& Spirits, Luronia. (734) 425-5520
or visit www.larrynozero.com
Schoolcraft Collego Jazz Band:
Playing the music of Stan Kenton,
Buddy Rich, Woody Herman and
featuring Claricy Herman
House Jazz
Lab/Improv Group, 18600
Hoggerty, between Six and Seven
Mile roads, Livania. No charge.
Tony Pope's N'Orleans Sixt: 36
p.m. Saturday, May 4, and every
other' weekend through June 1,
at Tom's Dyster Bar, Southfield.
\$6, (248) 478-2674
Tim Flaharty Tric, With Nancy K Tim Flaharty Trio: With Nancy I perform 9 p.m. Saturday, April 27. Woodruff's Supper Club, Sixth east of Washington, Royal Oak. (248) 543-5070

FOLK/ACOUSTIC

Larry Arbour: Acoustic, folk rock 7-10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Flying Fish Tayern, Beverly Hills, (248) 647-7747

647-7747 Alex de Grassi: At the Villege Players Club of Birminghom, 34660 Woodward Ave. Doors open 7 p.m. show 8 p.m. Saturday, April 27, \$15, \$10 stu-dents, (248) 433-3429. Workshop for a small group of guitarists, Sunday, April 28, Limited to 15 students, cost \$50 for three hours of instruction, visit ww.Michigan-FGS.org to register www.Michigan-FGS.org to register.
Burt Hollday & the Daylorda: 2
p.m. Saturday, May 4 at the
Farmington Chic Theatre, 33332
Grand River at Farmington Road
and 9 p.m. Saturday, May 4,
South Lyon Theatre, corner of 10
Mile and Main. \$20, (248) 4737777.

WORLD MUSIC

Pat McDunn: 8-11 p.m. Friday, at Duke Humphries, Rochester Hills. No cover. (248) 601-1100 (irish) Pipe Bands in Concert: The Pipers & Band Society of Ontario. Windsor-Detroit brench present its annual Two Band Night featuring the Toronto Police Pipe Band and annual Two Band Night featuring the Toronto Police Pipe Band and the Windsor Pipe Band 7 p.m. Saturday, April 27, both bands will be competing in the World's Pipe Band Championship in Scotland in August, also on the April 27 program is Ceitle music by Colin Paige and Len Walloce as well as Highland Dancers performing, at the Monaghan K of C Hall, 1980.1 farmington Road, Livonia, 315 at the door, Scotlish fare available, (248) 477-7542
The Diggers: B:30 p.m. Thursday, April 25, at Scan O Calleghan's rish Pub, 821 Penniman, Plymouth, Live Irish music

Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday. (734) 459-6666

CLASSIC/ MODERN DANCE



Stephen Sondhelm music: Mark McCleese (left), Lori Gardley and Steve Kryda are three of the actors in the comedy nussical "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 26:27 and May 3-4, at Mason Middle School, 3835 West Walton, between Clintonville and Sashabaw roads, Waterford. Tickets are \$9, \$8 students and seniors. (248) 673-9799.

Detroit Dance Collective: Present Detroit bance Collective: Pressional Its 22nd annual spring dance con-cert featuring new pieces Includ-ing Carnival of the Annuals set to the music of Camille Saint Seen 8 p.m. Friday, April 26, Ford Community & Performing Arts Center, 15801 Michigan Avenue at Greenfield, Dearborn, \$18, \$12 seniors/students. (313) 943-

Michigan Classic Ballet: Seasons of Spring dance concert 2 p.m. Sunday, April 28, at the Gelger Classic Ballet Academy, 782 Denison Court, Bloomfield Hills. \$5, (248) 334-6964

SOCIAL DANCING

Blackberry Creek Dancers: Blackberry Creek Dancers: Country western dence 7 p.m. Friday, April 25, at the Italian Cultural Center, Warren. \$10, (810) 202-7558 Moon-Dusters: Ballroom dancing to live bands, featuring swing, fox trot, waltz, che-che and Latin, 8:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, at the Livonia Civic Center, 15218 Farmington Road at Five Mile Livonia Civic Center, 15218 Farmington Road at Five Mile Road, \$5, (248) 967-1428 Rhythm N' Shoes: Weekly ball-room/Latin dance party with DJ. 8:30-10:30 p.m. Thursday, 2172 Franklin Road, Bloomfield Hills. Frankin Road, Bloomfield Hills. \$7. (248) 334-0299 U-M Ballroom Dance Club: Baltroom dance lessons and open dancing 4-10 p.m. Sunday, at the Union Baltroom, Ann Arbor. \$2. (734) 763-6984

POETRY/ SPOKEN WORD

Poetry Lounge: Join the Open Mic octry series at Affirmati Lesblan and Gay Community Center, 195 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale, Bring original and/or



Award-winning duo: Nickolas Ashford and Valerie Simpson bring their Motown hits to Music Hall Simpson of the Performing Arts 8 p.m. Saturday, Center for the Performing Arts 8 p.m. Saturday, April 27. Tickets are \$25.\$40. Call (313) 963-2366. Since beginning their music career in 1964, the due have won more than 50 ASCAP awards. nublished noems to read or just come to listen. Poetry Lounge every third Wednesday through April In the Pittman-Puckett Art (248) 398-7105

COMEDY

Second City: New female revue, Chickelicious joins Two for Tuesdays — Show and Osamalama Ding Dong at 8 p.m. Chickelicious featuring Lisa Maxine Metion of West Bloomfield Maxine Melian of West Bloomfield Ashley Ann Back of Bloomfield Hills and Cara Lee Burk of Rochester Hills, runs 8 p.m. Tuesday through May 14. Touring company presents The Best of Second City, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jihad It Up to Here shows 8 and 10:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 8 p.m. Sunday. Ticket prices and show times vary, \$5-\$20. (313) 985-2222

show times vary. \$5-\$20. (323) 965-2222 Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase: Tim O'Rourke 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, April 25-27, additional shows 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturda 314 E. Liberty, (734) 996-9080

CALL FOR ARTISTS

Art Dash: Looking for artists to donate work for a fund-raising vent for Arbor Hospice Thursday

event for Arbor Hospice Thursday, May 30 at 51, John's Golf and Conference Center, Plymouth. (248) 348-4950 Art on the Green: The Franklin Arts Council Is seeking artists in a variety of media for the 23nd annual Labor Day Fine Arts Short Art on the Green, in Franklin Village 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 2, For an application, cali (248) 594-3093 ArtServe Michigan: Applications ArtServe Michigan: Applications

Artserve Michigan: Applications are now available for the 2003 Creative Artist Grant program including creative writing, music, film, video, and inter/multidisciplinary categories. Deadline for entry is Friday, May 17. Application can be downloaded from the library at from the library at www.ArtServeMichigan.org. Questions, call Christine Schefman at (248) 557-8288 Detroit Festival of the Arts: Detroit Festival of the Arcts.
Looking for artists for it annual
festival Sept. 13-15 in the
University Cultural Center.
Deadline for entry is April 26.
(313) 577-5088

(313) 577-5088
Detroit Zoo: Looking for artists to create works of art on 6-foot polar bear fiberglass forms for Polar Palooza, an Arcitic celebration to take place this summer. If Interested, call Lisa Wisniewski at ArtServe Michigan (248) 557-8288, Ext. 12. The zoo is also looking for sonspars for the 100 tooking for sponsors for the 100 fiberglass polar bears to be exhibit ited in Royal Oak. For more Infor-mation, call (248) 398-0900 or visit the Web site at www.detroit-

zoo.org Livonia Arts Commission: Is looking for artists and crafters for its 26th annual Arts Festival Saturday-Sunday, June 8-9, in Greenmend Historical Park in Livonia. For an application, call the com-munity resources department at (734) 466-2540. Exhibitors are also wanted for the display

cases in the Livonia Civic Center Library. Artists or collectors should contact Donna Eno at (734) 261-5870. VSA arts of Michigan: Looking for professional artists who are interested in sharing their creative processes in dance, dramp, literated, music, poetry and the visual arts with students with disabilities. Artists must be interested in learning how to accommodate students with a variety of disabilities. Qualified artists will be trained at the R.A. MacMullan Conference Center at Higgins Lobe inc Center at Higgins Lake in Roscommon Saturday-Tuesday, June 15-18, Following training VSA arts of Michigan will provide we for artists in artist-in-residence for artists in artist-in-residence programs in K-12 schools throughout the state. Interested artists should send resumes to Artist-inResidence initiative. VSA arts of Michigan, 51 West Hancock, Detroit, MI 48201. For more Information, call (313) 832-3303 or the state of the

cases in the Livonia Civic

send e-mail to vsaml@ic.net. ART CLASSES/ WORKSHOPS

Ann Arbor Art Cantarn Adult and youth courses including ceramics, jewelry making, figure sculpting and drawing, Renalissance painting, tilemaking, mosaics, gloss blowing, pottery, puppetry, wheel-thrown clay and more. 117 W. Libetry, Ann Anbor. (734) 994-8004, Ext. 1010. Ant Gallery/Studies Margaret Coppony and Kir Rowe teach

Cooney and Kay Rowe teach watercolor classes in April, Carol Knotts teaches pastel. In Sheridan Square Shopping Center Sheridan Square Shopping Center, Garden City, (734) 261-0379 Art of Living Studio: Drawing, scarf-dyeling and awakening your artistic vision classes, book con-versation and poetry nights, 11 Broadway, Lake Orion, (248) 693-2632

3632 and Bloomfield Art
Center: Art classes from preschool through adult. 1516
South Cranbrook Road.
Birmingham. (248) 644-0866
Creative Arts Center: Classes for children, leens and adults in art, music, drama and dance. 47
Williams Street. Pontiac. (248) 333-7849. Scholarships available for students with financial need.
D & M Studios: Taking registration for summer art camps. This year's for summer art camps. This year's theme – "Going Buggy." For more Information, call (734) 453-3710 Plymouth Community Arts
Council: Spring classes continue
In multi-media art, drawing, paintin multi-media art, drawing, painting, potery, digital imaging, and beading. Summer visual arts camps are also open for registration, (734) 416-4278. Spring art classes: With Stacl Miron in her Novi studio, watercolor, ecrylic and beginning printmaking (creating stomps) for kids and adults, (248) 668-718. Touch of Light: The Studio and Galiedie of Handblown Glass offers classes in glass blowing. Classes meet Wednesday-Friday evenings and Saturday-Sunday afternoons, 23426 Woodward Avo., Ferndale, (248) 543-1868 Ave., Ferndale. (248) 543-1868

Visual Art Association of Live Classes in various arts forms including oil, watercolor, pastel and drawing at the Jefferson Center, Room 16, 9501 Henry Ruff, Livonia. Mary Ann Adams, (734) 455-9517

ART LECTURES/ MEETINGS

Northville Arts Commission: Michael Farreit discusses the life and works of Gertrude Ste and works of Gertrude Stein, an American abstract writer (1874-1946) 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 25, at Hillside Middle School, Northville. \$10, \$5 students. (248) 449-9950

ARTS FESTIVALS

Ann Arbor National Spring Art Show: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, April 27, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, April 28. \$5. University of Michigan Indoo Track Building. (330) 896-9498 Farmington Festival of the Arts: Farmington Festival of the Arts: Live performances, displays, hands on activities, opens Saturday, April 27 with Starry Night Gala 6:30-11 p.m. and con-tinues to Sunday, May 5 (3 p.m. Community Band concert) (248) 473-1800 Judale Art & Landon

473-1800 Judale Art & Jeweiry Fair: 10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday, April 28, at the Bais Chabado Torah Center, 5595 West Mapie, east of Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, 55, (248) 932-3311 Westacres Art Show: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 27, more than 50 artists exhibit a variety of media tive entertalnment, chiliprocessing the statement of the statement o media, live entertainment, chil dren's art activities, and a silent auction to benefit the Child Abuse & Neglect Council of Oakland County, Westacres Clubhouse, 3700 Westacres Drive, south of Commerce Road, between Green Lake and Union Lake roads . \$1. (248) 360-4551 or (248) 363-

GALLERY EXHIBITS OPENING

Au Courant Design Studio and Gallery: Michigan artist Lois Teicher will be featured in Small Scale April 27 to June 1, opening reception 5-7 p.m. Saturday, April 27, 23255 Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 548-3770
Cary Gallery: Virtues, Values, Other Good Things, an exhibition by Susan Kell, opens with a recoption 6-8 p.m. Saturday, May 4 and continues to June 1, 226 Walnut Baulevard, Rochester. (248) 651-3656

Janice Charach Epstein Gallery: Assignment Rescue: The Story of Varian Frey and the Emergency Rescue Committee, a documen tary exhibit organized by the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. opens May 2 and continues to June 27 in the second level gallery. Fry has been called the "artists Schindler." called the *artists Schindler.

Celebrate, an exhibit of Michigan
Jewish artists. Jewish Community
Center, 6500 Maple at Drake,
West Bloomfield. (248) 432-5448
Coffee Studio: Landscapes Nancy Owen peen with a reception West Bloomfield. (248) 432-3446 Coffee Studio: Landscapes by Nancy Owen open with a reception 7-10 p.m. Saturday, May 4, at the shop, 600 Ann Arbor Trail,

Shop, Boo Auth Debritan, Plymouth, Garden City Fine Arts Association: Spring exhibit and sale of a variety of media includ-ing painting, drawing and sculp ture Monday-Saturday, May 6-11. opens with a recoption and opens with a recupitor 7 p.m.
wards presentation 7 p.m.
Monday, May 6, at the Garden
City Library, 2012 Middlebelt,
south of Ford, (734) 513-4044
Amold Kieln Gallery: Alphabet show opens with a reception 6-8 p.m. Friday, May 3, continues to June 8, 32782 Woodward, Royal June 8, 32782 Woodward, Royal Oak, (248) 647-7709 Lemberg Gallery: New Paintings and Works on Paper by Stephen Magsig April 27-June 1, opens with a reception 5-7 p.m. Saturday, April 27, 23241 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 591-Paint Creek Center for the Arts:

Paint Creek Center for the Arta:
Local and national artists exhibit in Painting as an Abstraction April 26 to May 24 in Main Gallery.
Woven Stillness: New Works in Tapestry in first floor gallery, opens with a reception 64 p.m. Friddy, April 26, 407 Pine Street.
Rochester. (248) 651-4110 Revolution Gallery: Rocont surpline John Street.
Landscape I, opens with a reception 5-7 p.m. Saturdey, April 27, continues to June 1, 23257
Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 541-3444