

# Let's Go!

Your Guide to Suburban Entertainment

## PROFESSIONAL THEATER

**Century Theatre: Late Nite Catechism** through June 23, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, 8:30 p.m. Friday, 5:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, 1:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Detroit, \$24.50-\$37.50. (313) 953-9800

**Detroit Repertory: Fast Ducks**, a comedy by Elena Hartwell, through May 19, 8:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, 13103 Woodrow Wilson. \$15. (313) 888-1347

**Fisher: Proof** continues through Sunday, May 12. \$20-\$47.50. (248) 645-6666. Benefit performance for Kadima, Tuesday, April 30. Tickets \$75, call (248) 559-8235

**Jewish Ensemble Theatre: Presents the world premiere of Dance Like No One's Watching.** Proviews May 9-11. Opens May 12 and continues to June 9. Show times are 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Sunday, 8 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, in the Aaron DeRoy Theatre in the Jewish Community Center, 6600 Maple at Drake, West Bloomfield. \$18-\$28, discounts for seniors and student. (248) 788-2900

**Meadow Brook Theatre: The classic rock musical Godspell** continues to Sunday, May 19. Curtain times 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday, 6 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, in the theater at Wilson Hall, on the Oakland University campus, Rochester Hills. \$26-\$38, \$17-\$26. (248) 377-3300

**Piowhara Theatre Company: The Diva Daughters Dupree**, continues to May 26, 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, and 8 p.m. May 12, 19 and 26, at the General Motors Theater in the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, Detroit. \$20 advance, \$25 at door; matinees \$15 advance, \$20 at door, and seniors/students \$15 advance, \$20 at door, \$10 previews May 2-3, 2-for-1 Thursday, \$20 for 2 in advance, \$25 for 2 at door. Group rates available. (313) 872-0279

**Purple Rose Theatre: Born Yesterday**, Garson Kanin's American comedy continues to June 15, 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, 137 Park Street, Chelsea. \$22.50-\$32.50. (734) 433-7673

## COMMUNITY THEATER

**Avon Players: Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat** May 10-12 and 16-18, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, at the Avon Playhouse, 1185 Washington Road, off Tienken, Rochester Hills. \$15, \$13 students/seniors and Thursdays and Sundays. (248) 608-9077

**Clarkston Village Players: Shakespeare's People**, a special production featuring scenes from Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, *Hamlet*, *As You Like It*, and *The Merchant of Venice* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 31-June 1, and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, June 2, at the Clarkston Village Players. \$12 Friday-Saturday, \$10 Sunday. (248) 625-8811

**Farmington Players: Perform Once Upon a Mattress**, the comedy musical based on the fairy tale, *The Princess and the Pea* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 10-11 and Thursday-Saturday, May 16-18 and May 30-June 1, and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 12 and 19 and Saturday, June 1, in the West Bloomfield Civic Theater Inside Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, between 14 and 15 Mile roads. \$15, half off for Mothers on Sunday, May 12 and children 2 p.m. Saturday, June 1. (248) 219-0800

**Homelands: Michigan Central Station**, an original play based on the stories and experiences which recall the glory days of the train station, continues 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, and 4 p.m. Sunday, through May 19, the stories were gathered by University of Michigan Residential College students in collaboration with Homelands' Collective Playwrights Workshop, at the theater, 2730 Bagley, one block south of Verner at Saint Anne street. \$10. (313) 967-0999

**Players Guild of Dearborn: Damn Yankees** continues to May 19, cur-



Kinks music: Dave Davies, a founding member of the Kinks, brings the music to the *Magic Bag* in Ferndale 8 p.m. Saturday, May 10. Tickets are \$20. Call (248) 645-6666.

tain 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday through May 18; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, May 12 and 19. Bring mom to the show for free on Mother's Day. 21730 Madison, southeast of Monroe and Outer Drive, Dearborn. \$14 reserved, (313) 561-TKTS

**Plymouth Theatre Guild/Spotlight Players: Present the comedy Moon Over Buffalo** 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 10-11 and 17-18, and 6 p.m. Sunday, May 12, at the Water Tower Theatre on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital, 41001 West Seven Mile, between Haggerty and Northville roads, Northville. \$10, \$7 children under age 18. (248) 349-7110

**Dearborn Heights Civic Theatre: Good Help is So Hard to Murder** by Pat Cook, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 10-11, May 17-18, 3 p.m. Saturday, May 11 and Sunday, May 19, \$8, seniors/students \$6, (313) 561-7364, Berwyn Center, 16155 Richardson, two blocks south of Warren, west of Beech Day, Dearborn Heights.

**Village Players of Birmingham: Annie Get Your Gun** 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 17-18, 24-25, and May 31-June 1, and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 19 and 26, at the playhouse, 34660 Woodward. \$14. (248) 644-2075

## COLLEGE THEATER

**U of M Theatre: Presents its Festival of New Works** May 14-23, includes the first act of *Madame Mao*, a new opera by Bright Sheng; a composition professor in the U of M School of Music (8 p.m. May 17 and 23, and 9 p.m. May 19), in the Trueblood Theatre, Ann Arbor. \$10. (734) 763-TKTS

## DINNER THEATER

**Genliti's: "Jokes and Smokes,"** Andy Genliti and friend Bowling Elvis J.R. Remick bring the King back to life 8:30 p.m. (doors open 6:30 p.m.) Friday, May 10, Northville. \$50. (248) 349-0522

**Viadimires: On Idaho**, murder mystery presented by Death Row Players, 7 p.m. Friday, May 17, 28125 Grand River, north of Eight Mile, Farmington Hills. Tickets \$35 per person in advance include show, meal, and one drink ticket. (248) 399-1101

## YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

**Livonia Youth Theatre: Cinderella** 6 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, May 9-

11 and 16-18, and 4 p.m. Sunday, May 12 and 19, in a performance space kitty corner from the pet shop at Livonia Mall, Seven Mile and Middlebelt. \$5. (586) 344-7774

**Marquis Theatre: Hansel and Gretel** opens 7 p.m. Friday, May 10, curtain 2:30 p.m. Saturday, May 11, 18, and 25; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, May 19, at 135 E. Main St., Northville. (248) 349-8110

**Paper Bag Productions: You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown** presented as a luncheon theater May 11-12, 18-19, June 1-2, 8-9 and 15-16, lunch at 1 p.m. followed by performance at 2 p.m., in the performance space kitty corner from the pet shop at Livonia Mall, Seven Mile and Middlebelt. \$10. (586) 344-7774

**PuppetArt: Kolobok**, a Russian version of the Gingerbread Man, plays 2 p.m. Saturday, May 11, 18, and 25, at the theater, 25 E. Grand River, Detroit. (313) 961-7777

**Novi Theatres: The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe**, 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 17-18, North Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi. \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. (248) 347-0400

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**Celebrate the Arts: Farmington Musicals** and the Livonia Mall join forces to present a festival of music, dance and the visual arts through Monday, May 13, at Livonia Mall, Seven Mile and Middlebelt. (248) 476-1160

**Festival of World Music and Dance: Features Fabian Salas and Carolina Del Rio**, star dancers in the Argentine film, *The Tango Lesson*. Presented by Musica Viva World Concerts 8 p.m. Friday, May 10, Smith Theatre, Oakland Community College, Orchard Ridge Campus, Orchard Lake Road,

south of 12 Mile Road. Blakuye African Drums Ensemble, singer, Shu Ping, Motor City Milongueros Tango Dancers, Tango Para Siempre Group, Grupo Musica Viva. \$16 in advance, \$18 at the door, \$25 reserved. (248) 522-3667

**Norwegian Constitution Day: Hosted by the Sons of Norway Nordkap Lodge**, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 18 at the Swedish Club, 22398 Ruth St., Farmington Hills. Parade, music, singing, special foods, and games for children. (248) 398-5976

**Pajama Party: Rita Kirsch and Candy Cow** present an interactive bedtime concert with singing, creative movement and puppetry 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, May 28, at the Community House, 380 South Bates, Birmingham. \$4. (248) 644-5832 to register.

**Redford Theatre: Organist John Lauter** in concert and accompanying the silent movie *Sherlock Jr.* starring Buster Keaton 8 p.m. Saturday, May 11, at the theater, 17360 Lahser at Grand River. \$10. (313) 531-4407, (313) 537-2560

**Volkswagen Festival: at Volkswagen of America headquarters**, 3800 Hamlin Road, Auburn Hills, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, May 19. Admission \$3 adults, children under 12 free. Vintage vehicle registration \$5. Swap meet space \$15. Car Corral (vehicles for sale) \$5. (574) 243-0467 or www.mvnc.net

## BENEFITS

**Birmingham-Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra: Enjoy an evening of food and music** 6 p.m. Friday, May 17, at the Townsend Hotel in Birmingham to benefit the symphony. The event will feature the BB50 Trio, and silent and live auctions with guest auctioneer Bill Spencer, an investigative reporter

**Lifetime tribute: The University Musical Society honors American mezzo-soprano Marilyn Horne with its Distinguished Artist Award** 6 p.m. Saturday, May 11, at Hill Auditorium, 825 North University, Ann Arbor. Tickets are \$15-\$60. Call (734) 764-2538.



for WKYZ-TV. The cost is \$100 per person. Guests may choose either Petite Flet Mignon with Wild Mushroom Sauce, Chicken Piccata or Baked Lake Superior White Fish as an entree. Auction items include golf outings, resort, dinner and theater packages, and jewelry. This is the major fund-raiser of the year for the BB50. (248) 645-2276

**Farmington Musicals: Hosts a Jazz Cabaret Concert** to benefit its annual scholarship competition 7 p.m. Saturday, May 11, featured artist is pianist Christo Grix and her trio, also performing the Oakland County Community Jazz Band, scholarship winners, vocalist Catherine Randall and alto saxophonist Drew DeOrto, and other members of Farmington Musicals accompanied by the OCC Jazz Band, at the Costick Center, 28600 West 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. For tickets, call (248) 471-6017

**Greenfield Village Antiques Show & Sale: Preview evening** 6-10 p.m. Friday, May 17, at Lovett Hall in Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village, Dearborn. \$100-\$350. (313) 982-6120

**Peter Blaas: The Detroit Zoological Society's annual Sunset at the Zoo** fundraiser features a strolling supper from many of the area's finest restaurants and raffle 7-11 p.m. Friday, June 21, at the zoo, 8450 West 10 Mile, Royal Oak. \$75-\$500 per person, raffle tickets \$100. Proceeds will support education and conservation programs for the Arctic Ring of Life, the zoo's polar bear exhibit. (248) 544-5717

**Music at All Saints: A "Royal" High Tea and concert**, 4 p.m. Sunday, May 19, All Saints Episcopal Church, 171 W. Pike St., Pontiac. \$15. (248) 334-4571. Benefits series.

## CLASSICAL

**Detroit Symphony Orchestra: Beethoven's Missa Solennis (Solennis Mass)**, 8 p.m. Friday, May 10, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, May 11, and 3 p.m. Sunday, May 12, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$20-\$54. (313) 576-5111. Seniors and students can purchase 50 percent off rush tickets at box office one hour prior to classical concerts based on availability.

## CHORAL

**Detroit Oratorio Society: Performs a program of Bach, Bernstein and Copland** 8 p.m. Saturday, May 11, at Birmingham Temple, 28611 West 12 Mile Road, Farmington Road. Tickets are \$18, \$15 seniors and students. (248) 788-9338 or (248) 681-4348

**Farmington Community Chorus: Made in America**, spring concert, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 10-11, Selligman Performing Arts Center, 22305 W. 13 Mile Road, corner of Lahser, Beverly Hills. Tickets \$10 at the door, available in advance by calling (616) 632-4067 or online www.farmingtonchorus.com. For chorus information, call Kathy Hall (248) 471-4516.

## AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

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

**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 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

**Miami String Quartet: Holds a master class** 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, May 14, in the Schaver Music Recital Hall in the Old Main Building at Wayne State University, Cass and Hancock, Detroit. No charge and open to the public. (313) 577-1795

**Oakland Youth Orchestra: Auditions for 2002-2003 season**, Sunday, May 12, Wednesday, May

15, Friday-Saturday, May 17-18. To register online, www.oyoml.org or call (248) 652-2526. Group consists of three separate performing groups for musicians in grades 3-12.

**Plymouth Theatre Guild/Spotlight Players: Accepting applications** for book directors, music coordinators, choreographers, music conductors, audition accompanists, rehearsal accompanists, musicians for the 2002-2003 season presentations of *Cinderella*, *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, and *Di! M! for Murder*. Applications due Friday, May 31, call (248) 349-7110

**Summer Symphony: Leon Spler, former concertmaster of the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra in Germany**, leads a one-week intensive series of rehearsals and coachings as part of the symphony's annual summer instrumental activities (June 24-30), culminates with a string ensemble performance, open to string players ages high school to adult. Auditions and fee required. (734) 677-4831

**Village Players of Birmingham: Auditions for Leader of the Pack: The Ellie Greenwich Musical** 7 p.m. May 19 and 23, at the playhouse, 34660 Woodward. Prepare any 1960 song and bring music. (248) 258-5173

## POPS/SWING/ CABARET

**Bird of Paradise Orchestra: 9 p.m. Monday**, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. (734) 662-8310 (big band, swing, bop)

## JAZZ/BLUES

**Ron Brooks Trio: 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday**, Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

**Los Gatos: 9 p.m. Wednesday**, Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

**Benny Green: Bird of Paradise: 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday**, May 10-11, at the club, 312 South Main, Ann Arbor. \$20, \$15 students. (734) 971-8300, (734) 662-8310

**Matt Michaels Trio: With vocalist April Tini plus the Wayne State University Vocal Jazz Group** 8:11:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 15; Larry Nozoro, saxophone and flute Wednesday, May 22, and vocalist Barbara Ware Wednesday, May 29, at Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren Road, two blocks east of Middlebelt. \$5 cover with dinner order, \$10 without. (734) 762-7756

**Larry Nozoro Jazz Quintet: Performs 8 p.m. to midnight**, Monday, at Mitch House's Food & Spirits, Livonia. (734) 425-5520 or visit www.larrynozoro.com

**Valery Ponomarev: The former member of Art Blakey's Jazz Messengers performs 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursday**, May 9, at the club, 312 South Main, Ann Arbor. \$12, \$9 students. (734) 971-8300, (734) 662-8310

**Tony Popa's Orleans Six: Every "other" weekend through June 1**, at Tom's Oyster Bar, Southfield. \$6. (248) 476-2674

**Bill Watrous: 8 p.m. Thursday**, May 16, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$18-\$49. (313) 576-5111

## FOLK/ ACOUSTIC

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

## WORLD MUSIC

**Maison Bleue: Garry Kaluzny's accordion** along with bass drums, fiddle, guitars, horns and percussion instruments of the Bayou play Cajun/Zydeco music 7 p.m. Friday, May 10 (18), doors open at 5:30 p.m. for those with a craving for gumbo, crawfish etouffee and muffuletta sandwiches, at the International Institute's International Coffee House, 111 Kirby Avenue East, Detroit. (313) 871-8600

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

## SOCIAL DANCING

**MoonsDancers: Ballroom dancing** to live bands, featuring swing, fox trot, waltz, cha cha and Latin, 8:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, at the Livonia Civic Center, 15218

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