

Let's Go!

Your Guide to Suburban Entertainment

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Saturday, 1:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Detroit. \$24.50-\$37.50. (313) 963-9800
Detroit Repertory Theatre: *Red Hot Mamas*, a comedy by David W. Christner, continues to June 23, 8:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, 13103 Woodward, Detroit. \$15. (313) 868-1347

COMMUNITY THEATER

Stagers After 2nd Stage: The Laramie Project 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 21-22, June 27-28 and June 29-30, and 7 p.m. Sunday, June 23, for mature audiences, at the Baldwin Theater, 415 South Lafayette, Royal Oak. \$10, (248) 541-6430
Village Players of Birmingham: The *Ellie Greenwich Musical*, a musical romp through the 1960s, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 5-6 and 12-13, at the Playhouse, 34660 Woodward, Birmingham. \$14. (248) 644-2075

DINNER THEATER

Gonitti's: Wild, Wild, Western Michigan June 20-22 and 29, at the restaurant, 108 East Main, Northville. \$45. (248) 349-0522

YOUTH

Junior Actors of Ridgeland: *The Beverly Hillsbillies* 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 21-22, and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, June 22-23, at the theater, 205 West Long Live Road, between Livonia and Crooks, Troy. \$7. (248) 988-7049

SPECIAL EVENT

Maskapades: Presented by Cheny & Mills, hilarious characters, unusual creatures, and amazing juggling skills highlight this performance of masks and movement 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 25, in Sears Court at the Livonia Mall, Seven Mile and Middlebelt. No charge. (248) 476-1160

Skating festival: HomeTown Olympian Todd Eldredge will take to the ice with local sweepstakes winners at The Onyx Rochester Ice Arena in Rochester Hills on 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 22 during the Chevy "It's Great to Skate" Festival. Metro-Detroit sweepstakes winners will participate in skating clinics taught by Eldredge and his coach. Outside the rink, friends, family and the general public can enjoy a fun-filled day with prizes, food, and carnival-like entertainment, including a slide obstacle course, giant tricycle races, bungee runs and pro-shot basketball. Eldredge will be available 1-2 p.m. to sign autographs. The local clinic participants are winners of a random-drawing sweepstakes, which they entered by logging on to www.usfsoa.org/chevy skatefest.

Redford Theatre: Marty starring Ernest Borgnine and Betsy Blair 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 28-29, and 2 p.m. Saturday, June 29, organ overtures begin 30 minutes earlier, guest organist all performances Gus Borman, at the theater, 17360 Lahser at Grand River, Detroit. \$3. (313) 531-4407

Real Entertainment: And Wall Street Music present Detroit's finest MCs, Money, Philbot, Tashere, and Don Juan 2 p.m. Saturday, June 22, in the Food Court at Wonderland Mall, Middlebelt and Plymouth roads, Livonia. No charge.

Rhythm and Passion: Music from Around the World, music and dance by Musica Viva World Music inspired by Cranbrook Art Museum's *Aluminum by Design: Jewelry to Jewelry* exhibition 7 p.m. Friday, June 21, as part of the *Fabulous Friday Night series*, at Cranbrook Art Museum, 39221

Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. No charge for members. (877) 462-7262

BENEFITS

Labor Legacy Benefit: View new works by Labor Legacy artists David Barr and Sergio De Glust 7



All that jazz: Bassist Ray Brown and his trio perform 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Thursday, June 20, and 9 p.m. and 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 21-22, at the Bird of Paradise, 312 South Main Street, Ann Arbor. Tickets are \$18 and up for Thursday, \$25 and up Friday-Saturday. For information or tickets, call (734) 971-8300 or visit the Web site at www.thebirdofparadise.com.

10 .m. Friday, June 21, wine and hors d'oeuvres, entertainment, In Novi. \$75, \$150 family, \$10 student, \$200 patron. (313) 961-0800. The new Michigan Labor Legacy Landmark will soon rise on the Detroit riverfront.
Polar Blast: The Detroit Zoological Society's annual *Sunset at the Zoo* fund-raiser 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) 541-5717

CLASSICAL

Detroit Symphony Orchestra: For the season finale Garrick Ohlsson plays Brahms' *Piano Concerto No. 2* 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, June 20-21, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, June 22, at the Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway. \$16-\$54. (313) 576-5111

OPERA

Great Lakes Lyric Opera: Perform Thomas Arne's *Love in a Village* and Thomas and Sally 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 21-22, in the main auditorium at Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, south of 10 Mile. \$12, \$10 seniors/children. (248) 354-9603. For information, call (248) 547-2027

FREE SUMMER CONCERTS

Carlton concerts: 7 p.m. Monday, June 24, Jeff Davis, cellonist, University of Michigan, Ann and Robert H. Lurie Carlton Tower, North Campus, University of Calif., Berkeley, performs. (734) 764-2539
Music in the Air: Pete "Big Dog" Fetter (Chicago style blues) 7 p.m. Friday, June 21 (Mike and Dave start off the night at 6 p.m.), in Kellogg Park on Main Street, between Ann Arbor Trail and Penniman, Plymouth. (734) 455-1453

Stars in the Park: Jazz vocalist Kimmie Horn 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 20, in Heritage Park on Farmington Road, between 10 and 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. (248) 473-1857
Summer Concert Series: Streetcorner, best of doo-op and oldies 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 27, in Heritage Park Amphitheater, on Canton Center Road, south of Cherry Hill, behind the Canton Township Administrative Offices and Canton Library.

AUDITIONS

Barebone Theatre Productions: Auditions for all high school and

college age students for Cinders 7 p.m. Sunday, June 23. Cinders is intended for mature audiences and has adult language and content, rehearsals begin June 25 with performances Aug. 8-9, at St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild, 500 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 203-3580
Dance Camp: Michigan Dance Express is presenting its annual dance camp July 20-23 and July 24-27, at Camp Copconic in Fenton, for ages 8-16, features daily dance classes in jazz, ballet, tap, modeling, swing and more, also includes traditional camping activities such as swimming, canoeing. (734) 397-9755 or (313) 562-1203
Detroit Symphony Orchestra: And Greenfield Village hold auditions for the second annual National Anthem Singing Contest 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 25, singers must be age 18 and under, contestants compete for the chance to sing the *Star Spangled Banner* with the DSO at one of the Salute to America concerts July 3-6, at Greenfield Village. To register for audition, call (313) 576-5476 or visit the Web site at www.detroit-symphony.com

Franklin Village Band: Adult musicians from southeastern Michigan are invited to join the Franklin Village Band. All instruments welcome, but there is a special need for flutes and clarinets. The band rehearses Monday evenings in the Franklin Community Church social hall on Franklin Road between 13 and 14 Mile. For more details, call Bill Frisk, (248) 474-9869, or Bob Zimmerman, (313) 535-4119
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 take place in September for girls and boys (with unchanged voices) who will be in grades 4-8 in the new school year. (734) 425-1749

Summer Symphony: Leon Spierer, 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

Wayne Renaissance Chorus: Looking for new members for its barbershop chorus. Don't think you can sing well enough? You probably sing better than you

think. For more information, call (734) 728-6865 or (734) 722-6315, or visit us 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 18, at Newburgh United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia.

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)

JAZZ/BLUES

Ren 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
Kimmie Horn: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 20, Heritage Park, Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. Free. (248) 473-1856

Matt Michaels Trio: With vocalist Barbara Ware 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 26, at Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren, two blocks east of Middlebelt. \$5 cover charge with winner order, \$10 cover without winner. (734) 762-7756
Larry Hoxter Jazz Quintet: Performs 8 p.m. to midnight Monday, at Mitch House's Food & Spirits, Livonia. (734) 425-5520 or visit www.larryhoxter.com

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

Larry Arbour: Acoustic, folk rock 7-10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Flying Fish Tavern, Beverly Hills. (248) 647-7747
Bailey Jester: Georgia-based original acoustic music 8 p.m. Saturday, June 22, at Tinty House Theatre, 28840 West Six Mile, Livonia. \$10, \$8 theatre members. (734) 464-6302

WORLD MUSIC

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

SOCIAL DANCING

Dance Elite Ballroom Studio: 8 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, July 13, at Bloomfield Ave. Shoppe II, 6315 Haggerty, West Bloomfield. No charge. (248) 926-8522
Moon-Dusters: 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 Farmington Road at Five Mile. \$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 lessons and open dancing 4-10 p.m. Sunday, at the Union Ballroom, Ann Arbor. \$2. (734) 763-6984

COMEDY

Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase: Improv night with Tilt Thursday, June 20 and 27, Steve Bills Friday-Saturday, June 21-22, Bill Thomas Friday-Saturday, June 28-29 at the club, 314 East Liberty. (734) 996-9080

Joey's Comedy Club: Manny Shields Thursday-Saturday, June 20-22, Jim Hamm Friday-Saturday, June 28-29 in Paisano's, 5070 Schaefer, Dearborn. (313) 584-8865

Knock Knocks Comedy Club: Features Jenny McNulty, Mary Miller, and emcee Chrissy Burns 9 p.m. Wednesday, June 26, at Texas Smoke, 543 North Main, Rochester. \$5 cover. (248) 601-1925 for information. Please arrive by 8:30 p.m.

Second City: 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) 965-2222

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

Cranbrook House: Tours continue to October, 3 p.m. Sunday, and 11 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. Thursday, at 300 Lone Pine Road, park across the street (Lane Pine) at Christ Church Cranbrook. \$10, \$15 for tour and noon lunch on Thursday with reservation. (248) 645-3147. Call (248) 645-3147 for private guided garden tours. Regular garden tour \$8 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday. Or visit the Scavolin House. For times, costs and information, call (877) 462-7262

Detroit Institute of Arts: Continues its Friday night programming, at the museum, 5200 Woodward Ave. With admission \$4, \$1 children, free for Founders Society members. Call (313) 833-8499 for exhibition information. (313) 833-7900 for general information or visit the Web site at www.dia.org

Detroit Zoo: Extends its hours through Labor Day weekend. Now open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, beginning in July the zoo remains open until 8 p.m. Wednesday and Saturday. Visit the polar bears and seals swimming around the Polar Passage, a 70-foot see-through tunnel, at the zoo, 8450 West 10 Mile at I-696 and Woodward, Royal Oak. Admission is \$8, \$6 seniors ages 62 and older and students ages 2-18. (248) 398-0900. The Detroit Zoo is always looking for volunteers. To volunteer or for more information, call Sue Kingsepp at (248) 541-5717

Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village: New museum hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. \$7.50-\$14. (313) 271-1620. For IMAX ticket prices and show times call (800) 747-IMAX (4629)

Meadow Brook Hall: Tours continue through June, 1:30 p.m., Monday-Sunday, and 3:30 p.m. General admission \$8, \$6 seniors/children, discounts for groups of 20 or more. (248) 370-3140 or www.meadowbrookhall.org

Plymouth Historical Museum: New permanent Abraham Lincoln exhibit, *Images of Lincoln*, acquired from Michigan collector Dr. Weldon Petz, includes lock of Lincoln's hair cut from his wound the night of the assassination, a life mask and casts of Lincoln's hands sculpted in 1860 by Leonard Volk, lifelike wax figures of Abraham and Mary Todd Lincoln in their second inaugural period clothing, 36-foot mural of the second Inaugural Ball from 1865, at the museum, 155 South Main. \$3, \$1 students ages 5-17, \$7 a family. Hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Saturday-Sunday. (734) 455-8940. The museum is also hosting a special lecture series, Fourth Sundays at Two, as part of the Civil War and Lincoln exhibit, 2 p.m. Sunday, June 30, with costume historian Pam Yockney talking about Civil War fashions. She also gives a tour of her collection

on exhibit. \$5, includes tea and scones.

Preservation Wayne: Detroit's oldest and largest preservation organization hosts its Heritage Walking Tours 10 a.m. Saturday through Sept. 28, five different tours available of Eastern Market, Downtown, Mid Town, New Center, and Auto Heritage. \$10, \$5 seniors/students, free for children under age 10. (313) 577-3559, (313) 577-7674 or visit the Web site at www.preservationwayne.org

Wright Museum of African American History: *In the Spirit of Martin: The Living Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.* continues to July 28, at the museum, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. (313) 494-5800

LIVE MUSIC

Alecia Keys: 8 p.m. Saturday, July 6, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Clarkston. \$40.50, pavilion only. (248) 645-6666

Allman Brothers Band: 5 p.m. Sunday, June 30, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Clarkston. \$46.50 pavilion, \$32 lawn. (248) 645-6666

Ambrosia: With Gary Wright, Dave Mason and John Ford Coley, 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 10, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester. \$25 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn. (248) 645-6666

B52's 25th Anniversary Tour: With Rockfours, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 2, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Clarkston. \$29 pavilion, \$17 lawn. (248) 645-6666

Britney Spears: 7:30 p.m. Monday, June 24, Palace of Auburn Hills. \$78-\$52.25. (248) 645-6666

Brothers Groove CD release party: With South Normal & Alpha Wave, 8 p.m. Friday, June 21, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$6, age 21 and over. (248) 544-3030
David Cassidy: 8 p.m. Thursday, July 18, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester. \$45 and \$35 pavilion, \$20 lawn. (248) 645-6666

Ekostik Hookahs: 8 p.m. Saturday, June 29, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15 (SR0). (248) 544-3030

George Thorogood & The Destroyers: With Little Feat, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 4, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Clarkston. \$29 pavilion, \$19 lawn. (248) 645-6666

Jefferson Starship: With Vanilla Fudge and Ray Manzarek, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 7, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Clarkston. \$26.50 pavilion, \$16.50 lawn. (248) 645-6666

Jethro Tull: 8 p.m. Sunday, July 18, Meadow Brook Music Festival. \$44.50 pavilion, \$20 lawn. (248) 645-6666

Jewel: 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 3, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester. \$38 pavilion, \$20.50 lawn. (248) 645-6666
Jim Brinkman: 8 p.m. Friday, July 5, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester. \$29.50 pavilion and \$17 lawn. (248) 645-6666

John Mayer and Quater: With Martin Sexton, 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 22, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Rochester. \$24.50 pavilion, \$21.50 lawn. (248) 645-6666

John Mellencamp: With Shannan McNally, 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 9, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Clarkston. \$58.50 pavilion, \$25 lawn. (248) 645-6666

Kenny Loggins: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 24, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Clarkston. \$32.50 pavilion, \$20 lawn. (248) 645-6666

KMFDM: Featuring Pig, 16 Volt and Kidney Teeth, 8 p.m., Tuesday, June 25, Royal Oak Theatre. \$20, plus \$2 facility fee. (248) 645-6666

Korn: With Puddle of Mud and Deadsy, showtime to be announced, Tuesday, July 3, Palace of Auburn Hills. \$38.50 (248) 645-6666

Melissa Etheridge: With Meredith Brooks and Rosey, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 28, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Clarkston. \$82.50 pavilion, \$30.50 lawn. (248) 645-6666

Nazareth: With Molly Hatchet and Pat Travers, 7 p.m. Monday, July 1, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Clarkston. \$26.50 pavilion, \$16.50 lawn. (248) 645-6666
Polsa: With Cinderella, Winger and Faster Pussycat, 5:30 p.m. Friday, June 21, DTE Energy Music Festival, Clarkston. \$29.50 pavilion, \$20 lawn. (248) 645-6666