

Going Places

YOUR GUIDE TO SUBURBAN ENTERTAINMENT

PROFESSIONAL THEATER

Century Theatre
Tickets now on sale for *8-Track: The Sounds of the 70s* opening 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, opened/reopened run, shows 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, 12:30 p.m. limited Thursdays, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, 1:30 p.m. Sunday, 333 Madison, Detroit, \$24.50-\$34.50, (313) 963-9800

Gem Theatre
Tickets now on sale for *Shear Madness* opening Wednesday, Sept. 4, at the theater, 333 Madison, Detroit, \$24.50-\$34.50, (313) 963-9800

Fox Theatre
West Side Story opens 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 3. Performances during Sunday, Sept. 8, various times. Tickets \$28-\$66, (248) 433-1515, (313) 471-6611

COMMUNITY THEATER

Clarkston Village Players
Visiting Mr. Green by Jeff Baron, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 5-15. Tickets \$10 Thursday and Sunday, \$12 Friday-Saturday, (248) 625-8811

CHILDREN'S PRODUCTIONS

Main Stage Theatre Guild
You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown 8 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Aug. 29-31, and 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 1, in the Theatre Livonia at the end of Corridor 6 across from Family Pets, in the Livonia Mall, Seven Mile and Middlebelt. \$8, \$5 students age 17 and under, (586) 344-7774

SPECIAL EVENTS

Arts, Beats & Eats
4-11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 30, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 31-Sept. 1, and 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 2. Downtown Pontiac, for more information, call (248) 975-8850 or visit the Web site at artsbeateats.com

Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival
3 p.m. to midnight Friday, Aug. 30, noon to midnight Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 31-Sept. 1, and noon to 11 p.m. Monday, Sept. 2, in Hart Plaza on Jefferson Avenue along the Detroit River, (313) 963-7622 or visit the Web site at www.forddetroitjazzfest.com

Hamtramck Festival 2002
Friday, Aug. 30 to Monday, Sept. 2, downtown Hamtramck on Jos. Campau, between Caniff and Commor, carnival rides, two stages with live entertainment including rock and roll, jazz, blues, Detroit garage, folk and polka music, children's activities, Polish Day parade 1:30 p.m. Monday on Jos. Campau, (248) 584-3715

BENEFITS

Meadow Brook Theatre Guild
Twelfth annual *Spotlights* Market, Juried Art & Gift Show, 4-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, Walnut at Fourth Street, west of Main Street and south of University (Walton) downtown Rochester.

SUMMER CONCERTS

Music Under the Stars
Spirit of America Band 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 29, and The Basics 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept.



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Yvan Attal and Charlotte Gainsbourg star in the French romantic comedy *My Wife is an Actress* Friday-Sunday, Aug. 30-Sept. 1, at the Detroit Film Theatre inside the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward. Tickets are \$6, \$5 seniors and full-time students with valid ID. For more information, call (313) 833-3237. For a complete schedule of movies in the Detroit Film Theatre series visit the Web site at www.dia.org/dfti.

5, at Civic Center Park, Five Mile, east of Farmington Road, Livonia, (734) 466-2540

AUDITIONS/OPPORTUNITIES

Bel Canto Choral Group
Seeking new members for the all-women's group which begins its 2002-2003 rehearsal schedule in September under the direction of Martin Mandelbaum. The group rehearses Monday evenings at the Jimmy Prentiss Morris Jewish Community Center. Call Kathryn Percells at (313) 640-0123

Farmington Community Chorus
New member auditions for the 85-voice mixed chorus 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 3 and 10, at the William Costick Activities Center on 11 Mile east of Middlebelt, Farmington Hills. The chorus rehearses Tuesday evenings September 10 to December to prepare for its annual holiday concert Dec. 20-21 at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills. For audition information, call Kathy Hall at (248) 471-4916

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 roads. For more details, call Bill Prisk, (248) 474-8869, or Bob Zimmerman, (313) 535-4119

Lakeland Players
Auditions for the comedy the female version of *The Odd Couple* 7 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Sept. 3-4. Bring a returnable photo of yourself to Central United Methodist Church, 3882 Highland Road, between Cass Lake and Pontiac Lake roads, Waterford. For performance Oct. 25-26 and Nov. 1-2, (248) 673-9799

Livonia Youth Choir
Is now looking for a piano accompanist as well as new members for the choir for the

2002-2003 year. Auditions for choir members will take place in September for girls and boys (with unchanged voices) who will be in grades 4-8 in the new school year. The choir practices weekly on Monday evenings and performs two concerts a year. (734) 425-1749

Madonna University Chorale
All voices, especially tenor and bass. For information about the chorale, call David Wagner, associate professor of music, (734) 432-5708 or e-mail dwagner@madonna.edu

PNA Centennial Dancers
Applications accepted for the 2002-2003 Polish dance season. Jan Favot (734) 953-3223

Schoolcraft College Community Choir
Holds auditions for new members Tuesday, Sept. 3 and 10, in room 310 in the Forum Building on campus, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia. Director Gerald Cusker invites experienced singers all voice parts to call to arrange an audition. Fall semester choir rehearsals begin 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10. This season's repertoire includes music by Victoria, Britten and Ralph Vaughan Williams. To reserve an audition time, call their president Shari Olson at (248) 349-8175 or the college's liberal arts department at (734) 462-4435

Schoolcraft College Theatre
At least 40 roles are waiting to be filled for the fall production of Shakespeare's *Titus Andronicus*. Actors of all ages needed, including a teenage boy. Auditions 7 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Sept. 3-4. Liberal Arts Building Theatre, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia. Scripts available in the Bradner Library, actors encouraged to read script before audition. Open to all students and community members. Show dates Oct. 25-26, Nov. 1-2, Nov. 8-9, (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5270

Symphonic Chorus
Under the direction of Thomas H. Blue is seeking new members in all voice parts. Auditions/interviews will be held 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 3, at St. John Lutheran Church, 246 Benjamin Street, Romeo. The chorus performs four concerts in its 10th season including Handel's *Messiah* in December and Schubert's *Mass in E Flat* in May. For details and directions, call (586) 741-2426

Troy Community Chorus
Celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. All who enjoy singing are invited to join, especially tenors. Sign-up 6:30-7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 3 and 10, Athens

High School, Room 1620. There is a \$25 music fee, \$40 for a couple, call (248) 879-0138

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

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

Ramona Collins
The Toledo singer displays equal mix of jazz and blues vocalizations 9:30 p.m. (first of three sets) Friday, Aug. 30, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor, \$10, \$7 students, (734) 662-8310 or (734) 971-3300

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

Tom Loncaric Swing Band
With Paul King and the new CD *I'm Crazy 'bout My Baby*, at the Bird of Paradise, 312 S. Main, Ann Arbor, \$5, includes hors d'oeuvres, (734) 662-8310 after 7 p.m. or the Hot Line at (734) 971-8300

Matt Michaels Trio
8 p.m. Wednesday, at Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren, two blocks east of Middlebelt, Garden City, \$5 cover charge with dinner order, \$10 cover without dinner, (734) 762-7756

Chuck Moss' Paint Creek Dixieland Jazz Society
Performs 2-5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7 and 21, at Shields Plaza, 25101 Telegraph, Southfield, (248) 476-2674 or (248) 855-1342

Larry Nazero Jazz Quintet
Performs 8 p.m. to midnight Monday, at Mitch Housey's Food & Spirits, Livonia, (734) 425-5520 or visit www.larrynazero.com

FOLK/BLUES/GRASS
Larry Arbor
Acoustic, folk rock 7-10 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Flying Fish Tavern, 17600 West 13 Mile, east of Southfield Road, Beverly Hills, (248) 647-7747

World Music
Pat McDunn
8-11 p.m. Friday, at Duke Humphries, Rochester Hills. No cover, (248) 601-1000 (Irish)

SOCIAL DANCING

Dance Elite Ballroom Studio
Ballroom/Latin Dance Party 9 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, 15 mile and Haggerty inside Bloomfield Ave. Shoppe II, West Bloomfield, \$9, \$8 Michigan Swing Dance Association. Singles welcome, (248) 926-8522

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Mean-Duffers
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

H-W Ballroom Dance Club
Ballroom dance lessons and open dancing 4-10 p.m. Sunday, at the Union Ballroom, Ann Arbor, \$2, (734) 763-6984

English Country Dance
Five hours of dancing, music and fun in seven areas on Main Street in downtown Ann Arbor, 2-7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 1, no charge, (734) 665-8863. A vari-

ety of local callers lead English country dance to live music by David West on piano and Donna Baird on fiddle, 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 3 with help for beginners the first hour, Chapel Hill Clubhouse, 3350 Green Road, 1/4 mile north of Plymouth Road, \$6, (734) 422-1170

COMEDY
Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase
D.C. Malone 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 6-7; Mark Knopke Friday-Saturday, Sept. 13-14, Improv Night with TLT and a roster of up to 10 rookie comedians opening Thursday, Sept. 5 and 12, at the club, 314 East Liberty, Ann Arbor

Knock Knocks Comedy Club
9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 4, Dan

The Bugs Beddo Band
plays rockin' rhythm & blues Friday, Aug. 30, at Memphis Smoke, 100 North Main, Royal Oak. The group won the 2002 Detroit Music Awards category for Best Rhythm & Blues Band. For more information, call (248) 543-4300.

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/audience, free for children under age 10, (313) 577-3559, (313) 577-7674 or visit the Web site at www.preservationwayne.org

Detroit Science Center
Digital Dome Planetarium Show
Autumn Highlights debuts 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, continues on weekends, fall/winter hours 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, start on Sunday, Sept. 1, 5:00, John R. Detroit, (313) 577-4000, www.detroitsciencecenter.org, Closed Labor Day

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 (Lone 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 \$6 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday. Or visit the Saarinen 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) 833-7950 for general information or visit the Web site at www.dia.org

Detroit Zoo
Kids will love the new home of the polar bears. The Arctic Ring of Life features a 70 ft. see-through acrylic tunnel where the bears swim around visitors. \$8 adults, \$5 seniors and children. For more information, call (248) 398-0900 or visit the Web site at www.detroitzoo.org. Now open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. The zoo is located at 8450 West 10 Mile at I-96 and Woodward, Royal Oak. The Detroit Zoo is always looking for volunteers. To volunteer or for more information, call Sue Kingstep at (248) 541-5717

Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village
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 tickets and show times call (800) 747-IMAX (4629)

Plymouth Historical Museum
New permanent Abraham Lincoln exhibit, images of Lincoln, acquired from Michigan collector Dr. Weldon Peiz, 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, life-size 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, \$1 a family. Hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Saturday-Sunday, (734) 455-8940

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"The Wildman" Ballard, 9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 2 Sheila Kay, at Texas Smoke, 543 North Main, Rochester, \$5 cover, (248) 650-8170

Meadow Brook Music Festival
Carrot Top brings his "Made in America" tour to the festival 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 1, on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester, \$15 and \$25, (248) 377-0100

Second City *Jihad it up to Here* continues to Sept. 1, 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, (520), and 9 p.m. Thursday and Sunday (515), (248) 645-6666, Call (313) 955-2222

Town, New Center, and Auto Heritage
\$10, \$5 seniors/audience, free for children under age 10, (313) 577-3559, (313) 577-7674 or visit the Web site at www.preservationwayne.org

LIVE MUSIC
DTE Energy Music Theatre
Location: Sashabaw north of I-75, Clarkson
Tickets - Call (248) 645-6666

Joe Satriani and Dream Theater
With King's X, 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 30, \$34.50 pavilion, \$18.50 lawn.

The Tragically Hip
7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 31, \$39.50 pavilion, \$28 lawn.

The Temptation Review
With Dennis Edwards and Charlie Thomas' Drifters, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 1, \$29 pavilion, \$16.50 lawn.

Kansas/Archie
7:30 p.m. May, Sept. 2, \$29 pavilion, \$16.50 lawn.

Freedom Hill
Location: 14900 Metropolitan Parkway, Sterling Heights
Tickets: (586) 288-7820

Aaron Carter
7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, \$35, \$30, \$25.

Paramount Laser Spectacular
Featuring the music of Pink Floyd, with Adrenaline and DC Drive, time to be arranged.

Saturday, Sept. 7, \$20.
Joe Louis Arena
Location: Downtown Detroit
Tickets: (248) 645-6666

Kid Rock
With Lynrd Skynrd, 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, \$35.

Magic Bag
Location: 22920 Woodward, Ferndale
Headline: (248) 544-3030

50 Cent Headbusts
With Liquid H9 and Violet Earth, 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 30, age 21 and over, \$6.

Saw Doctors
8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, \$15.

Whisper Ash
8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, \$16.

Meadow Brook Theatre
Location: Oakland University campus, Rochester Hills
Tickets: (248) 645-6666

Nicole C. Mullen
8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 30, \$20 pavilion, \$10 lawn.

Bluesgrass Festival
with Rhonda Vincent and the Raggs, The Special Consensus, The Rarely Herd, The Karl Saffell/Ronnie Reno, Reno Tradition and Big Country Show, 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, Children free, \$20 pavilion, \$10 lawn.

The Palace of Auburn Hills
Location: Off I-75 (exit B1) at Lapeer Road (M-24) in Auburn Hills
Tickets: (248) 645-6666

Enliven with DIZ
Also featuring Pope Rock, Lodacris, Xzibit and K-Entioners, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, \$39.50 reserved and general admission floor.

Royal Oak Theatre
Location: 318 West Fourth, west of Washington in Royal Oak
Tickets: (248) 645-6666

Roger Clyne & The Peacemakers
With Huddle and Tripper, 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 31, \$15, plus a \$2 facility fee.



Join Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs for an afternoon of musical fun 2:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 7-8 and 14-15, at the Marquis Theatre, 135 East Main, Northville. Tickets are \$7.50. Please no children under age 3. For more information, call (248) 349-8110.

Are there cobwebs on your cultural calendar?



There are some great ideas here... get inspired with these exciting things to do.

Making contact: Please submit items for publication in Going Places to Linda Chomin two weeks in advance of event. Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or fax (734) 591-7279