

# Entertainment

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## Summer sounds

### Metro area's outdoor concert season gets underway

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**SUMMER'S ON THE WAY**, and the outdoor concert season has already begun. Concertgoers have been filling the pavilions and sprawling on the grass at both Pine Knob in Clarkston and, pre-season, the Meadow Brook Music Festival in Rochester Hills.

This weekend, the Troy Hilton Inn opens its sixth season of Summer Nights concerts, held poolside and, if it rains, under an outdoor tent. The P'Jazz series at the outdoor terrace at downtown Detroit's Pontchartrain Hotel will get underway for its 16th year Friday, June 26.

Pine Knob, in its 16th season, has offered nine series in subscription packages, as well as single-ticket sales. Most expensive series features Liz Minelli, Frank Sinatra, Mikhail Baryshnikov and George Benson, at \$104 for pavilion, \$61.50 for lawn. A concert by Paul Simon, highlighting his "Graceland" album, is set for Monday, June 22. Tickets are \$20 pavilion, \$15 lawn.

For season ticket information call the Pine Knob Ticket Office at 872-1600. Individual tickets also are available at Ticketmaster, 423-6686.

The Meadow Brook site at Baldwin Pavilion on the Oakland University campus was the setting for Jack Wagner on Saturday, May 30, and WDET's Motor City Bluegrass Festival on Sunday, May 31. Earl Klugh and Friends will perform Sunday, June 13, before Meadow Brook's 24th season officially begins with Paul Anka at 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 16.

**ANKA IS THE FIRST** performer in the "Star Series," which also includes Cleo Laine and the John Dankworth Quartet, Wayne Newton and Perry Como. An "International

Artists Series" will be led by flutist James Galway, with the Chieftains, on Friday, July 10. Four "Summer Solid Gold" concerts debut with Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons, with the Four Tops, on Friday, June 19.

Gordon Lightfoot, Anne Murray and the Pointer Sisters are among artists who will appear at Meadow Brook in the series of contemporary concerts that began with the press-on concert by Jack Wagner.

Al Hirt and Pete Fountain headline the first of the Saturday night concert series June 20. Marvin Hamlisch is the star opening the Friday night series June 26.

Three orchestra pops concerts also are on the Friday and Saturday series. The Detroit Symphony Pops plays "Music from the Great Motion Pictures" one Saturday night, "Love Songs and War Music" on consecutive Friday and Saturday nights. The Meadow Brook Festival Orchestra is the musical attraction with the "Laser Light Spectacular!" also on Friday-Saturday nights.

**TICKET PRICES** vary, according to the artist, with Wayne Newton commanding a hefty \$26-\$30 for pavilion seats, \$15 for lawn. The Preservation Hall Jazz Band is \$12-\$15 pavilion, \$10 lawn. Most concerts are at 8 p.m.

Summer Nights at the Troy Hilton will have an expanded season, Saturday concerts beginning June 20, along with the usual Friday night concerts. Music includes calypso, Top 40, jazz, '60s rock 'n' roll.

Hugh Borge's Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band launches the season Friday, June 5. All the Saturday concerts are geared for the sold-out crowd, with two bands, Domino and the Teen Angels, appearing throughout the summer.

Admission is \$5-\$7, depending on



Singing star Paul Anka will open Meadow Brook Music Festival's 24th season on Tuesday, June 16, in Baldwin Pavilion.

the Friday concert, and \$5 for Saturdays. The opening concert and the season's last two concerts are free. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Friday, with the concert at 7:30 p.m., when the admission charge begins. All Saturday concerts begin at 8 p.m.

P'Jazz at the Hotel Pontchartrain will open its season with the Crusaders, who play blues, jazz, pop, rock, classical and soul, at 6:30 p.m. Friday, June 26, followed by Orheila Barnes on Friday, July 3. After that, concerts continue Wednesdays and

Fridays through Aug. 21.

**THE SEASON'S** final attraction is still to be announced but is expected to be one of the all-time jazz greats. Other artists performing at P'Jazz include Norma Jean Bell, Frankie Laine and Maynard Ferguson, to name a few.

Tickets are \$11-\$15 for reserved seats, \$8-\$12 for general admission, depending on the concert. Doors open at 5 p.m.

#### SUMMER NIGHTS

Troy Hilton Inn  
Information 583-9000, ext. 503

Friday, June 5  
Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band

Friday, June 12  
Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band

Friday, June 19  
Teen Angels  
Steve King  
and the Dittiles

Saturday, June 20  
Domino

Friday, June 26  
Sun Messengers

Saturday, June 27  
Domino

Friday, July 3  
Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band

Friday, July 10  
Dancer Brothers

Saturday, July 11  
Teen Angels

Friday, July 17  
Rumpelstiltskin

Saturday, July 18  
Teen Angels

Friday, July 24  
Rare Earth  
Steve King  
and the Dittiles

Saturday, July 25  
Domino

Friday, July 31  
Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band

Saturday, Aug. 1  
Domino

Friday, Aug. 7  
"1984: As the Beatles in Concert"  
Steve King  
and the Dittiles

Saturday, Aug. 8  
Domino

Friday, Aug. 14  
Sun Messengers

Saturday, Aug. 15  
Teen Angels

Friday, Aug. 21  
To be announced

Saturday, Aug. 22  
Teen Angels

Friday, Aug. 28  
Felix Cavaliere  
of the Raspals  
Steve King  
and the Dittiles

Saturday, Aug. 29  
Domino

Friday, Sept. 4  
Detroit Lions Pep Rally  
Krosswinds  
Just Us  
Streetcorner

Friday, Sept. 11  
Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band

#### MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

Friday, June 13  
Earl Klugh and Friends

Tuesday, June 16  
Paul Anka

Wednesday, June 17  
America  
Three Dog Night

Friday, June 19  
Frankie Valli  
and the Four Seasons  
The Four Tops

Saturday, June 20  
Al Hirt

Pete Fountain  
The Dukes of Dixieland

Wednesday, June 24  
Gene Pitney  
Del Shannon

Friday, June 26  
Marvin Hamlisch  
with special guest  
to be announced

Saturday, June 27  
Bruce Hornsby  
and the Range

Wednesday, July 1  
The Spinners  
Martha Reeves

Junior Walker  
and the All-Stars

Friday, July 3  
Chuck Mangione

Saturday, July 4  
Canadian Brass  
William Bolcom  
and Joan Morris

Friday, July 10  
James Galway  
and the Chieftains

Monday, July 13  
Spyro Gyra

Friday, July 24  
Johnny Mathis  
and Henry Mancini

Saturday, July 25  
Detroit Symphony Pops  
"Music from the Great Motion Pictures"

Monday, July 27  
Wayne Newton

Friday, July 31  
Preservation Hall Jazz Band

Saturday, Aug. 1  
Peter, Paul and Mary

Monday, Aug. 3  
David Sanborn

Tuesday, Aug. 4  
Perry Como

Wednesday, Aug. 5  
The Platters

The Drifters  
The Shirazles  
The Coasters

Friday-Saturday, Aug. 7-8  
Detroit Symphony Pops  
"Love Songs and War Music"

Monday, Aug. 10  
Gordon Lightfoot

Wednesday, Aug. 12  
Cleo Laine  
and the John Dankworth Quartet

Friday, Aug. 14  
Johnny Cash  
Larry Gatlin  
and the Gatlin Brothers

Saturday, Aug. 15  
Michael Franks

Monday, Aug. 17  
Pat Metheny

Friday, Aug. 21  
Sheena Easton

Saturday, Aug. 22  
Disham Carroll  
Vic Damone

Monday, Aug. 24  
Anne Murray

Friday-Saturday, Aug. 28-29  
Meadow Brook Festival Orchestra  
Laser Light Spectacular!

Friday-Saturday, Sept. 4-5  
Roger Whittaker

Sunday, Sept. 6  
The Pointer Sisters

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