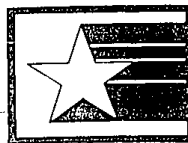


Entertainment

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upcoming things to do



Darrell Stokes of West Bloomfield is Ferdinand and Misay Gibson of Birmingham is Miranda, the young lovers in Shakespeare's "The Tempest," opening Friday, March 2, at the Bonstelle Theatre in Detroit. For ticket information, call the box office at 577-2960.

In concert

The Balalaika Orchestra of Detroit will perform in concert, with reception following, at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 4, at the Birmingham Temple in Farmington Hills. Tickets are \$7 for seniors and students; \$8, general. For information call 288-2853. The 19-piece, costumed group will play Yiddish, Russian and gypsy melodies on 19 balalaikas, five concertinas and piano and will feature a guest singer.

Mountain Jack's

The Ron Caden Show returns to Mountain Jack's in Farmington Hills. Shows will be presented Friday-Saturday nights for four weeks, starting March 2. Three shows will be given each night starting at 9 p.m. There is no cover charge. A special St. Patrick's Day performance will be presented Saturday, March 17. For more information call 476-5333.

At Palace

A fifth show by teenage pop sensation New Kids on the Block has been added at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 26, at the Palace of Auburn Hills. This marks the most performances by any one artist or group at the arena. Tickets are \$18.50.

Country music artists the Statler Brothers, Conway Twitty and George Jones will perform at the Palace at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 16. Tickets are \$18.50.

The Planters LifeSavers Royal Inneford Circus, presented by Children's Palace, celebrates its 30th anniversary with seven performances at the Palace. Performances are Sunday, March 11, at 1 and 5 p.m.; Monday, March 12, at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Tuesday, March 13, at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., and

Wednesday, March 14 at 7:30 p.m. Adult tickets are \$12, \$9 (reserved) and \$7 (general admission) and children's tickets (12 and under) are \$4. Chrysler/Plymouth presents "The Wonderful World of Horrors" starring the Royal Lipizzan Stallions in association with Northwest Airlines at the Palace at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 16. Tickets are \$13.50, \$11.50 and \$8 (reserved).

Tickets for events at the Palace are on sale at the box office and all Ticketmaster outlets. Tickets also may be charged by calling 645-6666.

Coins, stamps

Via Stamp Services will sponsor a Mercury Center Coin, Stamp and Baseball Card Show from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 4, at Mercury Sports Center Hall in Farmington Hills.

'The Nerd'

Stagelancers Baldwin Theatre in Royal Oak presents "The Nerd" by Larry Shue, author of the award-winning comedy "The Foreigner," opening Friday, March 2, and continuing for three weeks until March 18. Performances are at 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays and at 2 p.m. Sundays except for March 11 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$7 Thursdays, \$8 for all other performances. Senior citizen and student discounts are available Sundays. For reserved seating and ticket information call 541-6430.

'To Gillian'

Avon Players will present "To Gillian (On Her 37th Birthday)," a drama by Michael Brady, opening Friday, March 2, and continuing Saturday-Sunday, March 3-4, Friday-Saturday, March 9-11, and Friday-Saturday, March 16-17. Performances are at 8 p.m., except



In the Stagelancers production of "The Nerd" are Cindy Cole of Bloomfield Hills as Tansey and Bob Marselle as William (seated), Lou Maglione as Rick (standing, right) and John Krause as Axel. The comedy by Larry Shue opens Friday, March 2, at the Baldwin Theatre in Royal Oak. For more information, call the box office at 541-6430.

Sundays at 7:30 p.m. at the playhouse in Rochester Hills. Tickets at \$7 may be purchased at ERA Home and Land, 2309 Walton, Rochester. Hours to purchase tickets are Monday-Thursday, 4-7 p.m.; Friday, 4-6 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call 375-1390 for further information.

Open auditions

Avon Players Community Theater will hold auditions for its fourth and final production of the 1989-90 season, the musical "On a Clear Day (You Can See Forever)" from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, March 11, and 7-11 p.m. Monday, March 12, at the theater in Rochester Hills. Those auditioning will be asked to read, sing and dance. Chorus people are needed in addition to many principal and character roles. Anyone with questions about the show, which opens Thursday, May 3, should call 375-1390.

'Irish Fling'

The Community Center in Farmington-Farmington Hills will cele-

brate St. Patrick's Day with an "Irish Fling," an evening of jigs and reels, as well as stories of Irish heritage. An Irish dessert will be served following the performance at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 15. Tickets are \$4 per person or \$15 per family of four.

Performing arts

The Southfield Performing Arts Center at the Days Hotel, and Tap Ltd., present "Little Mary Sunshine" opening Friday, March 2, and running every Friday-Sunday in March at the hotel in Southfield. On Friday and Saturday, dinner begins at 7:30 p.m., showtime at 8 p.m. Sunday matinee includes a brunch at noon, showtime at 2 p.m.

Kids series

The Kids Concerts Series Presents "Storie Telling with Puppets" on Saturday, March 31, in Room No. 115 of the Southfield Parks and Recreation Building. "Storie Telling with Puppets" includes Marilyn O'Connor-Miller and Tiffany as they present folktales about the little people of Germany, Wales and Scotland.



Bob Higloo is Hysterium and Bill Glace is Pseudolous in the Ridgedale Playoffs production of "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum." The musical opens Friday, March 9, at the playhouse in Troy. More information is available by calling 644-8328.

Tickets at \$2 each may be purchased at the door. For more information, call 354-4717.

Ensemble theater

"The Last Resort," a contemporary comedy about mother and son by Detroit playwright Kitty Dubin, will be presented by the Jewish Ensemble Theatre on Wednesday, March 14, through Sunday, April 1, at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield.

Sinatra sings

Frank Sinatra is coming to Detroit's Fox Theatre for five performances, Thursday-Sunday, April 19-22. Tickets are available at the Fox Theatre box office, Joe Louis Arena box office and all Ticketmaster outlets. Tickets are priced at \$60, \$50, \$40, \$35 and \$15. To charge by phone, call 645-6666. For more information, call 567-6000.

Polish dancers

To celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Polish Centennial Dancers "An Elegant Ball to Remember" will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 25, at Vladimirs in Farmington. Presentation of Debutantes and Squires, a formal sit-down dinner, open bar and a Polish orchestra will be featured. For reservations, call 464-1263 or 471-5023.

Music duo

Gemini, Ann Arbor family music duo, will present "Fancy That! — a Musical Celebration for Children and the Whole Family" on Saturday, March 3, at the Detroit Institute of Arts. There will be two shows, at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. The concerts are part of the Detroit Youththeatre Concert Series. Tickets are \$4. For more information, call 833-2323.

Synthetic Circus

Performance Network in Ann Arbor presents the production "A Synthetic Circus," featuring Frank's Absurd Haperty Theatre Ensemble, March 1-18. Performances are at 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays and 6:30 p.m. Sundays. Tickets are \$9 (\$7 for students and seniors). For reservations, call 663-0681.

Ice Capades

This season's Ice Capades edition, "Return to Romance," celebrating the Golden Anniversary Tour, appears in Detroit at Joe Louis Arena with performances Wednesday-Sunday, March 13-18. A reunion party will be held for members of the 1940 Ice Capades cast Thursday, March 15, after the evening performance. Former employees are asked to send their name (and name when employed, if different), current address, seasons employed and position held to: Bill Bain, Talent Coordinator, Ice Capades, 6121 Santa Monica Blvd., Hollywood, Calif. 90038. Detroit Ice Capades fans are being invited to participate in the reunion party. For more information, call 567-7408.

Skating auditions

Ice Capades will hold auditions for ice skating talent Friday, March 16, after the 7:30 p.m. performance at Joe Louis Arena in Detroit. For further information, call 567-7417.

Bonstelle Theatre

"The Tempest," one of William Shakespeare's late romances, opens at the Bonstelle Theatre in Detroit at 8 p.m. Friday, March 2, for a two-weekend run. Performances are at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday through March 11. For tickets and information, call the Bonstelle Theatre box office at 577-2960.

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