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● **COFFEEHOUSE SERIES**

[illegible] Cultural Arts Center to the [illegible] coffeehouse [illegible] 8:30 p.m. Friday, April [illegible] Joseph Gaccione and the Earth Stone Ensemble performing a unique music style, including Indian, Gypsy, Spanish jazz, fusion and African rhythmic sounds. Coffee [illegible] gallery, 40 Pine Street, Livonia. Series continues 7:30 p.m. [illegible] May [illegible] with the Storytellers and [illegible] a world of music [illegible] Brazilian music [illegible] and original compositions. Call 591-4110 for information.

● **CHAMBERWORKS**

Chamber Works presents "Le Parnasse Français" which [illegible] the two [illegible] and harpsichord [illegible] by French masters of the 18th century, Francois Couperin and [illegible] 8 p.m. Friday, [illegible] Church, Cambridge [illegible] Road, Birmingham. Tickets $9, students and [illegible] 646-7686.

● **BIRMINGHAM THEATRE**

[illegible] Monday continues at the Birmingham Theatre through [illegible] Call 642-4653 for tickets.

● **CONCERTS IN THE GARDEN**

[illegible] concerts in the Garden series feature pianist Bernard [illegible] and violinist Linda Snedden [illegible] in a program of Pops to the Classics at 6:30 each Sunday, April [illegible] the Embassy Suites Hotel, [illegible] of the Detroit [illegible] Artist Series [illegible] School and the [illegible] chamber [illegible] Farmington Hills. [illegible] is the last concert in the series. Tickets for continental breakfast, seven a.m. and reserved seating, [illegible] Tickets for concert and coffee only $4. For information, call 354-4717.

● **BARBERSHOP CHORUS**

The Gentlemen Songsters of the Detroit-Oakland chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America Inc. will be performing on Sunday, April 27 at Fellowship Chapel, telegraph at 12 Mile Road in Southfield.

● **"THOSE WERE THE DAYS"**

The Broadway English-Yiddish musical hit "Those Were the Days" opens 8 p.m. Tuesday April 28 at the Birmingham Theatre, 211 South Woodward. The show will run through May [illegible]. Tickets, call [illegible] 341.

● **RIDGEDALE PLAYERS**

Ridgedale Players present "The Collection" a ghost story by Tim Kelly, 8 p.m. Friday, April 24 and Saturday, 7 p.m. Sunday, May 3 through May 17. Call 555-6328 for ticket information.

● **SPIRIT OF DETROIT CHORUS**

Spirit of Detroit chapter of Sweet Adelines presents a dinner show featuring seven-a-cappella quartet Spring Street and other quartets, 7 p.m. Saturday, May 2 at Divine Providence Cathedral Hall, Nine Mile at Beech in Southfield. Tickets $10. For information, call 852-5526.

● **YOUNG MUSICIANS**

For 29 years, the Michigan Young Musicians Competition will present 3 p.m. Sunday, May 3 at Shiffman Hall, Shorewood Community Center, 6600 West Maple Road, West Bloomfield. The public is invited, there is no charge.

● **FARMINGTON COMMUNITY BAND**

The Farmington Community Band presents its annual May concert, 3 p.m. Sunday, May 3 in the Harrison High School auditorium, 12 Mile Road between Mandoselli and Orchard Lake roads in Farmington Hills. For information, tickets, call 476-5014 or 489-3412.

● **ORGAN CONCERT**

David Burton Brown, director of music at St. James Episcopal Church in Birmingham, performs 3:30 p.m. Sunday, May 3 at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms. Tickets $8 adults, $6 senior citizens, students. Call 882-5330 for ticket information.

● **KID'S KONCERTS**

Dianne Baker sings songs relating to Michigan history including folk songs she composed especially for children, 1:30-2:15 p.m. Saturday, May 2, in Room 115 of the Parks and Recreation Building, 26000 Evergreen, Southfield. Program for children ages four to 10. Tickets $3 each, available at the door. Call 354-4717 for information.

● **BALLET**

Michigan Ballet Theatre presents the classic ballet Les Sylphides with a mixed program of premier works, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, May 2, at Harrison High School Auditorium, 29995 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. Call 486-1514 or 624-5590 for tickets.

● **"MAX THE MOOSE"**

Marc Thomas is appearing in a free concert, 11 a.m. Saturday, May 2, at Half Way Down The Stairs, a childrens' bookstore, 114 E. 4th Street, Rochester. The concert is for kids ages three to seven, and will feature songs from Thomas' album "Max the Moose."

● **LA CASA**

La Casa Folk Music Series presents Gene Parsons and Meridan Green, 8:30 p.m. Friday, May 8. Julia Dawson performs, 8 p.m. Friday, May 22. Concerts at the Birmingham Unitarian Church, 651 N. Woodward, (N.E. corner of Lone Pine and Woodward). Tickets, $10 in advance, $12 at the door. Call 646-4950 for information.

● **AUDITIONS**

Three Guys Productions is holding auditions for two newly published musical farces, "Foiled Again!" two (Somewhat Bawdy), musical melodramas and "Phantom of the Op'ry," 1-5 p.m. Saturday, May 16 and 1-5 p.m. Sunday, May 17, at the Magic Bag Theatre Theatre Cafe. "Foiled Again!" will run Thursday to Sunday, July 9 to August 1. "Phantom" will run Thursday to Sunday August 6 to September 6 at the Magic Bag. Nineteen roles available, all positions paid. For information, call 644-2534.

● **MICHIGAN OPERA THEATRE**

Spring opera series opens at Masonic Temple in Detroit, May 2 with "King Roger", a Polish opera. Zofia Kafarski of West Bloomfield, and other area Polish Americans helped raise funds to stage this opera. Call 874-SING for ticket information. Body-builders sought for the roles of Philistine guards in "Samson and Delilah" May 16, 20 and 23. Rehearsals begin, Friday, April 24. Call 874-7850 for audition information.

● **MUSICA VIVA!**

Ara Berberian, Basso performs at Orchestra Hall in Detroit, 8 p.m. Friday, May 15 with Arthur Greene, piano, Hong-Mei Xiao, viola, Ginka Gerova-Ortega, flute, Randall Hawes, trumhone, Waleed Howaram, pianist/composer. Concert honors Berberian, a leading basso with the Metropolitan Opera and guest star with the Michigan Opera Theatre for his contribution to the world of music for over 35 years. For ticket information, call 833-3700 or 969-3405.

Thriller

Ron Meteyer (left), Lyle Akouri and Gordon Ison rehearse a scene from "Murder by Natural Causes," a thriller by Tim Kelly to be presented by the Farmington Players, 8 p.m. April 24 through May 16 at the players barn, 32332 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. For tickets, information, call 553-2955.

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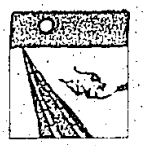

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