

## CLASSICAL

Ray I. McEllan, director of music and organist at St. Michael Roman Catholic Church in Monroe, will perform on the Wallace Carillon of Christ Church Cranbrook, 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30. The recital is free and open to the public. The program will include classical as well as modern pieces. The church is at Cranbrook and Lone Pine roads, one mile west of Woodward in Bloomfield Hills. The series concludes at 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 6, with a Labor Day picnic and performance by Cranbrook Church carillonist and associate organist Phillip Burgess. Bring your blankets and picnic baskets, on Sept. 6. Free lemonade will be served.

**Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall's** 1992-93 season opens 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, with Yo-Yo Ma and Bobby McFerrin. Detroit Symphony Orchestra Music Director Neeme Järvi opens the DSO's 79th subscription series with his 100th performance with the orchestra at 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17; 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18; and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19. For tickets, call 833-3700, or TicketMaster, 645-6666.

**■ MICHIGAN BALLET THEATRE**

Michigan Ballet Theatre will hold auditions for male and female dancers ages 10 and up, Aug. 28-29 and Sept. 12 at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills and Aug. 30 and Sept. 13 at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield. For specific casting times and more information, call 788-1185 any time, or 486-1514 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Midwest Dance Theatre auditions will be Saturday, Sept. 12, at the Center for Creative Studies in Southfield. Junior company, ages 8-11, 3-4 p.m., senior company, ages 12 and older 4-6 p.m. Females 12 and older bring pointe shoes. For information, call 669-9444 or 437-5434.**

**Detroit Dance Collective will hold its annual Dance Sampler Day 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 12 at the Royal Oak campus of Oakland Community College. Meet the instructors, register for the fall session. For information, reservations, call 544-5550.**

The Langesford Singers will audition for all voice parts (particularly tenors) in early September at North Congregational Church in Southfield. Singers should be proficient at sight-reading, capable of a cappella singing and must prepare a solo to display overall musicianship.

ship. The Langsford Singers include a 35-voice male choir and 45 voice chamber choir. They rehearse Monday evenings at North Congregational Church with the first rehearsal scheduled Sept. 14. Call Pat Stewart, 884-2018, to schedule an audition appointment.

**Finlandia Male Chorus starts its new season, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16, in the Finnish Center Building, 35200 W. Eight Mile, west of Farmington Road in Farmington. New members wanted. For information, call John at 533-549 or Herb at 932-3594.**

**Birmingham Village Players** will hold auditions for the musical "South Pacific" 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16, at the Village Players playhouse, Chestnut Street and Hunter, (two blocks south of Maple) in Birmingham. Come pre-

pared to sing and dance. For information, call 258-6996.

**Michigan Opera Theatre** has scheduled vocal auditions for the 1992-93 **Opera-In-Residence** tour company, 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 16. **Michigan Opera Theatre** will hold orchestra auditions Wednesday, Sept. 23. Positions are available in the violin, viola and bass sections of the permanent **NOT Orchestra**. Call 874-7850 for information.

**Folk dance in Boulan Park in Troy with the Detroit Folkdance Club, 6-8:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30. The park is on the west side of Crooks between Big Beaver and Wattles. The club meets 8-11:15 p.m. Fridays, beginning Sept. 11 at Brookside Elementary School, Cranbrook at Lone Pine in Bloomfield Hills.**

**For information, call 338-0524.**

**Oakland Community College Lakes campus at 7350 Cooley Lake Road in Waterford, will host its second annual Bluegrass Oil & Gas Festival noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, on campus. The event will feature Blackthorn and The Boys From Indiana. For ticket information, call 360-3186.**

The Cultural Arts Division of the Southfield Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor a contra traditional country dance, 1:30-4:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, in Room 115 of the parks and recreation building. The price is \$5.

**IN THREE GUYS PRODUCTIONS**  
**"Phantom of the Op'ry" Thursdays**

**Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through Sept. 5 at the Magic Bag Theatre in Ferndale. For tickets, call 644-2531.**

Special fund-raiser review featuring excerpts from George Gershwin's "Of Thee I Sing," and Murray Schelag's one-act romantic comedy "A Need for Brussell Sprouts," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 11-12, and at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13. Tickets \$10, call 537-7716 or 532-4010.

**"Catch Me if You Can" opens 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, at the Players Guild of Dearborn, 21730 Madison near Monroe and Outer Drive. Performances 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays through Sept. 27. Tickets \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door. There is a \$5 student admission on Sundays. Call 561-TKTS for tickets and information.**

The 144th annual Michigan State Fair, the oldest fair in the nation, will run from Aug. 28 through Sept. 7, with something for everyone. For the first time, the fair will present a folk festival featuring a variety of folk entertainers, square dancing and folk craft exhibitions.

It will take place at Woodward Avenue Park, west of the Community Arts Building.

Featured entertainment at the Folk Music Festival stage includes Matt Watroba; guitar and vocals, noon, Friday, Aug. 28, children's performer, Josh White, noon Satur-

day, Aug. 29, Kitty Donahoe noon  
the 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 6 and Nell  
Woodward noon and 6 p.m. Mon-  
day, Sept. 7.

Headline entertainment appearing nightly in the Music Shell, 8 p.m. Aug. 28 through Sept. 7 will include Barbara Mandrell, 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 28, Rodney Crowell and Joe Ely, 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30, Bobby Vinton, 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 31, and the Oak Ridge Boys, 2 and 8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 7.

Local favorites including George Benson, Aug. 28; Norma Jean Bell, Aug. 30; Alexander Zojnic, Sept. 6; and the Trinidad Steel Band, Sept. 7.

7 will be featured 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 28 through Monday, Sept. 7 in the Coliseum Grove.

Agriculture and livestock will take center stage in the Fair's exhibition areas.

On display will be championship beef and dairy cattle, sheep, swine and poultry, along with vegetables and produce, maple products and wine.

Admission to the fair is \$5 for adults and \$2 for children 6-11; children under 5 are free. Parking for the day is \$4. The fair grounds are on the corner of Eight Mile and Woodward in Detroit.

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