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Ticketmaster, (810) 377-3300

COMMUNITY THEATRE

ANN ARBOR CIVIC THEATRE

"Bye Bye Birdie," Wednesday, Jan. 8-Saturday, Jan. 11, Lydia Mendelsohn Theatre, University of Michigan Building, Ann Arbor, 8 p.m. evenings; 2 p.m. Saturday matinees. \$18 adults; \$17 students/seniors. (313) 973-4421

BIRMINGHAM VILLAGE PLAYERS

"Sisters Rosenzweig" opens 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10 continues weekends through Jan. 26, 752 Chester St. (corner of Hunter Boulevard, south of Maple), (810) 644-2075.

PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN

"Run For Your Wife," opens 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10 continues through Jan. 25, 21730 Madison (near the southeast corner of Monroe and Outer Drive), Dearborn, (313) 561-TKTS.

MILWAUKEE PLAYERS

"Blithe Spirit," a seance wreaks havoc in the lives of a happily married couple when the first wife's ghost appears, Thursday, Jan. 9-Sunday, Jan. 12, and Thursday, Jan. 16-Sunday, Jan. 19, at the playhouse, 205 W. Long Lake Road, Troy, 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 3 p.m. Sundays.

\$10; \$8 on Thursdays; \$9 for seniors on Sundays. Prices include sandwich and coffee afterglow, (810) 988-7049.

St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild "Laura" opens 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 17, continues weekends through Jan. 25, at the playhouse on the grounds of Cranbrook Educational Community, 400 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills (between Woodward and Lahser). Tickets \$12, seniors/students \$10, (810) 644-0527.

YOUTH

MARQUIS THEATRE

"Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," through Monday, Jan. 27, at the theater, 135 E. Main St., Northville, \$6.50.

Recommended for children older than 3 1/2 years old. Show times: 2:30 p.m. Saturdays Jan. 4, 11, 18, and 25; 2:30 and 2:30 p.m. Jan. 12, 19 and 26; 2:30 p.m. Jan. 23, (810) 349-8110

WILD SWAN THEATRE

"Charlotte's Web," 2:30 p.m. Jan. 24, and 11:30 a.m. Jan. 4, at the Anderson Center Theater at Henry Ford Museum, 20900 Oakwood Boulevard (at Village Road), Dearborn, \$6; additional charge for admission to the museum, (313) 271-1620, ext. 383

EVENTS

"BRIDAL CELEBRATIONS '97"

Featuring seminars, fashion shows, exhibitors and grand prizes, including "The Spectacular 30 Gown Giveaway," honeymoons, diamond rings and photography, and seminars offered by Suzanne Kresse, Sunday, Jan. 5, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Leaper Road), Auburn Hills. \$7 in advance; \$8 at the door, (810) 377-0100

HOLLYWOOD LITERARY RETREAT

Two-day seminar on screenwriting and the process of motion picture and television producing, Saturday, Feb. 1-Sunday, Feb. 2, Holiday Inn Livonia West, 17123 N. Laurel Park Dr. (Six Mile Road and I-275), Livonia. Featured guest speakers include Stephen Nemeth, president of Rhine Films; Plymouth screenwriter Jim Burnette ("Renaissance Man," "Mighty Ducks 3"); Producer Carolyn Caldera; Lynn Isenberg, producer/screenwriter; and Wendy Nyad, literary agent. Fee, (810) 884-4764

"THE MAGIC SCHOOL BUS"

With science teacher Ms. Frizzle, 7-8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Macomb Community College, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. \$7, (810) 286-2141

CLASSICAL

AMERICAN ARTISTS SERIES

American Artist Series Chamber Players with Gennady and Tatyana Zut, 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 12, Kingswood Auditorium,

Cranbrook Campus, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, (810) 851-5044.

BIRMINGHAM MUSICALS

Performance features soprano Beverly Stief, violinist Dr. Robert Oppelt, and pianist Rebecca Hoppel Mescotte, 1 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9, Birmingham Community House, 360 S. Bates St., Birmingham, (810) 647-8329

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

With Conductor Hans Graf and violinist Emmanuelle Boieslert, 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, "Classical" Routes, with Conductor Neeme Jarvi, clarinet Eddie Daniels, and the Brazeal Dennard Choral, 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9, 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$16-\$58, (313) 933-3700

FARMINGTON AREA PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

"From Oklahoma to the South Pacific - An Evening with Rodgers and Hammerstein," featuring S.A.T.B., 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10, Wallace Smith Theatre on Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills, \$15, (810) 471-7667 or (810) 471-7700

SCHUBERTIADE I

With Andrea Watts and The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 8, Rockham Auditorium, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, \$26-\$36, (800) 221-1229

POPS

MICK DOBAY

7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10, Borders Books and Music, 5601 Mercury Dr., Dearborn. Free. All ages. (313) 271-4441

THREE MEN AND A TENDR

8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher, Ann Arbor, \$15; \$12 students and seniors. (800) 221-1229

JOHNNY WALKER

7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3, Borders Books and Music, 5601 Mercury Dr., Dearborn. Free. All ages. (313) 271-4441

AUDITIONS

HARTLAND PLAYERS

Auditions for the play "Two Rooms," 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, and 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 6, Hartland Music Hall, 3610 Avon Road, Hartland. Scripts are available at the Crombie Library, (810) 220-3521

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS

Open auditions 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7, and auditions by appointment Tuesdays, Jan. 14, Jan. 21, and Jan. 28, First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial Road (west of Sheldahl), Plymouth. All voices are needed especially tenors. (313) 455-4080

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHOR

Auditions new members, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7, 3 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 8, 27475 Five Mile Road (west of Inkster Road), Livonia. The choir will perform Brahms "Requiem" at a spring concert. Members will learn additional selections for the Schoolcraft College "College" concert in April. The 70-voice choir includes 50 students and experienced singers of all ages from area communities. Participants may receive either Continuing Education or regular academic credit through the college. (810) 349-8175/(313) 462-4448

THE THEATRE GUIDO

Auditions for its second annual Festival of One-Act Plays, 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, and 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 6, at the guild, 15138 Beech Daly Road, Redford. The guild is looking for two men and two women teenaged-age 30; six men and three women ages 30-50; and one man and two women ages 50 and older. This season's presentation includes five original works covering comedy, drama and tragedy. Production dates are Feb. 7-9, and Feb. 14-16, (313) 573-4145

JAZZ

BIRD OF PARADISE ORCHESTRA

9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10-Saturday, Jan. 11, Bird of Paradise, 207 S.



Artistic activity: The DIA offers classes and workshops for all ages at all levels of familiarity with and interest in art.

Seminar to examine museum

The Detroit Institute of Arts, 6200 Woodward, offers a variety of special family programs.

Call (313) 833-7900 for information.

"The Art of Thomas Wilmer Dewing: Beauty Reconfigured" continues to Jan. 19. Docent-guided tours 1 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday. A video, "Murder of the Century," will be shown 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 4-5, in Lecture Hall. The opulent world of early 1900s New York society sets the scene for the story of architect Stanford White; Evelyn Nesbit and Nesbit's husband, Harry Thaw, who killed White.

A figure drawing workshop is scheduled Sundays, Jan. 5, 12 and 19. In the sessions, artist Gail mally-mack will

lead an exploration of the representation of the human figure in the "Beauty Reconfigured" exhibit. The workshop is open to all skill levels and features drawing with a live model. Call for fees and other information.

A seminar, "Seeing through the Museum," will take place Saturday, Jan. 11 to Feb. 9, in collaboration with the American Studies Program, Wayne State University. The seminar will investigate the museum as both a physical and discursive structure that shapes the visitor's experience and creates value. Instructor is Jane Blocker of the WSU Department of Art and Art History. Call (313) 833-4249 for fees and other information

older, (reggae) (810) 589-3344

FOLK

DAVID FOLKS

8 p.m. and 10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, "The Raven Gallery and Acoustic Cafe, 145 N. Center St., Northville. \$10. All ages. (810) 349-9421

KIMMIE HORNE

8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2, Fox and Hounds, 1530 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills, (810) 644-4800

JUST THREE

8:11 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, Brazil Coffeehouse, 305 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. All ages. (810) 359-7300

MIKE KARUB

Cello Jazz group, 4-6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, Borders Books and Music, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Free. All ages. (810) 737-0110

SHEILA LANDIS

With her quintet, 9 p.m.-12:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 3-Saturday, Jan. 4, and Friday, Jan. 10-Saturday, Jan. 11, D.L. Harrington's Chop House, formerly Murdoch's, 2086 Crooks Road, Rochester Hills. Cover charge, 21 and older. (810) 852-0550

AL WINTERS SWING STREET

8:40 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3, Borders Books and Music, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Free. All ages. (810) 737-0110

WORLD FILARETS CHOR

Performs traditional Polish songs during a Polish Christmas Eve dinner, 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple Road (at Dequindre Road), Troy. \$15 adults; \$8 children, (810) 689-3636

NITE FLIGHT

9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge, 19 and older. (reggae) (313) 992-2749

POLONAISE CHORALE

4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, St. Barbara, 13534 Colson (at Schaefer, north of Michigan Avenue), (Polish Christmas Carols) (313) 883-6209/(313) 531-5558

REGGAE AMBASSADA

With Black Thunder, 9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2, and Thursday, Jan. 3-D, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Cover charge, 21 and older, (reggae) (810) 589-3344

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB

Leo Dufour, Thursday, Jan. 2-Sunday, Jan. 5; Billy Garen, Thursday, Jan. 9-Sunday, Jan. 12, at the club above Kickers restaurant, 35071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 p.m. Thursdays (free); 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays (\$10); and 8 p.m. Sundays (\$5). (313) 261-0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S

Randy Lubas, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2 (\$8); \$18.95 dinner show package, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3-Saturday, Jan. 4 (\$10); Bobby Collins, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10 (\$15); \$25.95 dinner show package, at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn, (313) 584-8885

MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE

Billy Ray Bauer, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2, and 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3-Saturday, Jan. 4, \$10; Invasion of Improv with the Portuguese Rodeo Clown Company, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 8; \$6; Elliot Branch, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9, and 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10-Saturday, Jan. 11, \$10, at the club, 31, Liberty, Ann Arbor, (313) 998-9080

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE

1995 Star Search Grand Champion Kevin James and Bob Phillips, Thursday, Jan. 2-Sunday, Jan. 5; Totally Unrehearsed Theatre hosts open mic night 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays; Leo Dufour and "The Planet" 95.3's Chris Zito, Wednesday, Jan. 8-Sunday, Jan. 12, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. \$5 Tuesdays; \$6 Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays; \$12 Fridays and Saturdays. (810) 542-9900

THE SECOND CITY DETROIT

"One Nation Undecided," 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit, 8 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays with additional shows at 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. \$12 to \$19; Second City Touring Company, 5:30 p.m. Saturdays. (313) 955-2222

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BOOKSTORE HAPPENINGS

BARNES AND NOBLE BOOK-SELLERS (WEST BLOOMFIELD)

Barnes and Noble Fiction Club discusses Keya Gibbons' "Ellen Foster," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2; Children's story time features "King Bidgood's in the Bathtub," 10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 6, and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7; Linda Cox, a certified hypnotherapist and Reiki Master, conducts two seminars on relaxation, spiritual awakening and meditation, 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7; Dr. Janusz Wrobel speaks about "Nobel Prize Poets: Mitos and Symborska" in a talk rescheduled from Dec. 5, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9, at the store, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, (810) 626-6804

BORDERS BOOKS AND MUSIC (DEARBORN)

Local poets read from and sign their latest edition of "Graffiti Rag," 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2; African-American book discussion group discusses "So Good" by Denise Berry, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2; Children's story time features "The Snow Day," 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 4; "Mouse Magic" previews "Silly Nolsy House," 11:30 a.m. Jan. 4; Story hour hosted by members of the Dearborn Family Resource Coalition, 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5; Dennis Kimbro discusses and signs copies of his book "What Makes a Great Great," 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 6; Gay Literature and Studies book discussion group reads "Second Time Around" by James Earl Hardy, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 6; Les Brown discusses and signs his book "It's Not Over Until You Win," 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7; Thomas the Tank Engine lives story time, 10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 8; "Explorations in Technology" features Oracle, a database program, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 8; Le Cercle Francois French conversation group meets 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 9; Local author Talley Turle signs and discusses his book "Patience in Islam," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9; Classics book discussion group discusses Mark Twain's "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9, at the store, 5601 Mercury Dr., Dearborn, (313) 271-4441

BORDERS BOOKS AND MUSIC (FARMINGTON HILLS)

Writer's workshop, 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 6, and Jan. 20; Jerrold R. Jenkins, president of the Jenkins Group, Inc., a Traverse City publishing firm, will conduct a free two-hour book publishing seminar, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9. Reservations suggested, at the store, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills, (810) 737-0110

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER

"Disinocence," a traveling exhibit from Research Casting International (RCI), the creators of the dinosaur skeleton displays in Steven Spielberg's "Jurassic Park," on display through Sunday, March 9. It features six full-sized dinosaur skeletal displays, four wall-mounted skeletons, six skulls, a walk-through Supersaurus rib cage, a Dingo Dig sandbox, and interactive computer programs; "Titanica," an IMAX film about the Canadian-American-Russian expedition team set out to explore the Titanic, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays indefinitely; "Destiny in Space," another IMAX film, Tuesdays and Thursdays indefinitely. Detroit Science Center in the University Cultural Center, 5020 John R St., Detroit. Museum admission \$6.75 adults; \$4.75 for students and senior citizens. (313) 577-8400

GREENFIELD VILLAGE AND HENRY FORD MUSEUM

"Traditions of the Season," featuring one of Michigan's largest decorated trees, a gingerbread village, holiday decorations, and reenactments of traditions of cooking, baking, and decorating, through Saturday, Jan. 5, at the museum and village, 20900 Oakwood Boulevard, Dearborn. (313) 271-1620

HISTORICAL CHURCH TOUR

Featuring First Congregational Church, Central United Methodist, St. John Episcopal, St. Aloysius and Mariners Church, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 6. Tickets are available only in advance and are non-refundable. \$10 Detroit Historical Society members; \$15 for non members. (313) 833-1405

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

"Legacies: African-American Dolls of the Victorian Era," a new exhibit featuring more than 100 handmade African-American dolls, on display in the museum's Kresge Gallery through April, at the museum, 5401 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$3 adults; \$1.50 seniors and children ages 12-18; free for children younger than 12. (313) 833-7937

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