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The Artist: Formerly Known As Prince performs 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, at The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road). Auburn Hills. \$19.99-\$65. (248) 645-6666/(248) 377-0100 or http://www.ticketmaster.com

Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 581-3650

DONKEN
With Devil's Night and Illegal. 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, The Palladium, 17580 Frazho, Roseville. \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. 18 and older. (rock) (810) 778-6404

DUNGEON
9:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Bo's Bistro, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 338-6200

EKOOSTIK HOOKAH
9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Megic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$10. 18 and older. (blues) (248) 544-3030

THE REV. MARG FALCONBERRY
9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 349-9110

FOOLISH MORTALS
10 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Kodak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (810) 731-1750

JERRY GARCIA BAND
Featuring Melvin Seals, Jackie LaBranch, Gloria Jones and Donnie Baldwin. 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$16 in advance, 18 and older. (blues) (248) 338-6200

QUARFIELD BLUES BAND
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26, Soup Kitchen Saloon, 1585 Franklin St. (at Orleans), Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 259-2643

GRIN
9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 30, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

HOARSE
With Grayling and Dean Fratava. 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

HOWLING DIABLOS
With Parka Kings. 9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Megic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$20 in advance. 18 and older. (funk rock/ska) (248) 544-3030

IMMATURE
4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 1, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$25 in advance. All ages. (R&B) (248) 433-1515

JIMMIE JACKSON AND THE BLUES CONNECTION
9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 2, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

JOAN OF ARC
With Remington. 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 28, Megic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$5. All ages. (pop) (313) 833-POOL

JOHNNY "YARDDOG" JONES
With The Sidewinders. 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300

KEOKI
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26, as part of "Maximum Overload" at the Motor Lounge, 3515 Caniff, Hamtramck. \$12.50 in advance. 18 and older. (techno) (313) 369-0090 or Motor3515@aol.com

KILLER FLAMINGOS
9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (R&B) (248) 543-4300

JOHN D. LAMB
9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 349-9110

JOE LEBEAU AND THE COOLFLAMES
7-10 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Sunday, Dec. 28, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 451-1213

LITTLE SONNY AND THE DETROIT RHYTHM BAND
9:30-11:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, as part of "Chase the Blues! Night" at First Baptist Church, 300 Willet Street (at Bates Street), Birmingham. Cover charge. All ages. (blues) (248) 644-0550

LOOSE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 18 and older. (rock) (734) 485-5050

TRAM MCCARTY AND MYSTERY TRAIN
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26-Saturday, Dec. 27, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 581-3650

MEDICINE HAT
10 p.m.-2 a.m. Friday, Jan. 2, Saturday, Jan. 3, Bullfrog Bar and Grill, 15414 Telegraph Road (one block north of Five Mile Road), Redford. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 533-4477

MONKEYCHUCK
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 18 and older. (pop) (734) 485-5050

SCOTT MORRAN
9:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 2, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

MOTOR CITY JOSH AND THE BIG 3
9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 451-1213

MOTOR JAM
With Jody Raffoul. 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 451-1213

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Jockey and DJ Hannah
from London, England. 9 p.m.-4 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Motor Lounge, 3515 Caniff, Hamtramck. \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. (313) 369-0090 or motor3515@aol.com

PURPLE FL
9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 360-7450

RIGHTHOUSE WILLY
9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 28, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 543-4300

ROCKET 455
With Murder City Wrecks and Easy Action. 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26, Megic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$5. 18 and older. (garage/punk rock) (313) 833-POOL

RUSTED ROOT
Annual holiday show. 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 28, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (Deadhead) (313) 961-5451

SAT. ROCK
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26, Woodbridge Tavern, 289 St. Aubin, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older; Wednesday, Dec. 31, Holiday Inn North Campus Ann Arbor, 3600 Plymouth Road (at U.S. 23), Ann Arbor. \$140 per couple includes music, dinner, munchies, dessert, all cocktails, champagne toast; \$215 per couple includes the above plus a room and breakfast. (classic rock covers) (313) 259-0578/(734) 769-9800

SHIE'S 80 HUGO
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$5 in advance. All ages. (rock) (248) 335-8100

SOLEDAD BROTHERS
9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Garden Bowl in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Free. 18 and older. ("trashy, twisted blues two-o'clock") (313) 833-9951

SOLID FROG
9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Rivertown Saloon, 1977 E. Woodbridge, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 567-6020

SPEEDBALL
With Hoarse, Big Block, Full on the Mouth, The Deans and Fletcher Pratt. 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (313) 961-MELT

SPONGE
With the Howling Diablos. 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, The Palladium, 17580 Frazho Road, Roseville. \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door. 18 and older. (rock) (810) 778-6404

SUICIDE MACHINES
With En Kindel and Social Scare. 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$5 in advance. All ages; With Bumpin' Uglies. 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 28, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$6 in advance. All ages. (punk) (313) 961-MELT

CURTIS SUMPTER PROJECT WITH CURTIS DAVIS
9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 2, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 451-1213

TELEGRAPH
With Old Spice and The Exceptions as part of Telegraph's annual Christmas show. 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$4 in advance. All ages. (ska) (313) 961-MELT

MARY THOMPSON AND THE DELTA CHILDREN BLUES BAND
8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, B.C. Beans Coffee and Art Gallery, 2964 Biddle, Wyandotte. Free. All ages. (blues) (734) 284-2244

THUS
With House of Usher. 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Megic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$7. 18 and older. ("Detroit's only Russian progressive rock band") (313) 833-POOL

UNITY
9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, D.L. Harrington's Roadhouse, 2086 Crooks Road (at M-59), Rochester Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (top 40) (248) 852-0550

USHER
8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 28,

Palladium, 17580 Frazho, Roseville. \$20 in advance. 18 and older. (R&B) (810) 778-6404

RANDY VOLIN AND THE SONIC BLUES
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26-Saturday, Dec. 27, Buggy's, 742 E. Walled Lake Road, Walled Lake. Cover charge. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 2, Goose Island Brewery, 1538 Cass Lake Road, Keego Harbor. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 669-1441/(248) 644-4800/(248) 682-4566

WAILIN' INC.
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Fifth Avenue, 215 W. Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 669-1441/(248) 543-4300/(248) 542-9922

J.C. WHITELAW
10 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 861-8101

NEW YEAR'S PARTIES
CLUTCH CARGO'S
Four-level dance party - Mill Street Lounge (level one): lounge tunes with DJ Jay Miller performances by Jamaican jazz band The Articles, and the percussion-fueled Mow; Level two: flashback '80s dance party with WPLT DJ Darren Revell; level three: old school funk with DJ Tony Toney; and level four: techno and house with DJ Will Webb. 8 p.m.-4 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, at the club, 65 E. Huron St. (at Mill), Pontiac. \$12 until Dec. 25. (248) 645-6666/(248) 333-2362

THE GROOVE ROOM
9 p.m.-4 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, at the bar, 1815 N. Main St. (at 12 Mile Road), Royal Oak. Free from 9-10 p.m., cover charge afterward. Free champagne and party favors. (248) 689-3344

ROYAL OAK BREWERY
New Year's Eve party with DJ Romeo. 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, at the bar, 210 E. Third St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 544-1141

ROYAL OAK MUSIC THEATRE
"Fourth Street" dance party hosted by radio station WQXI. 9 p.m.-4 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, at the theater, 318 W. Fourth St., Royal Oak. \$45 includes dinner, champagne, party favors, and breakfast. \$15 from midnight to 4 a.m. and includes breakfast. (248) 546-7610

"TIMES SQUARE II"
Free, non-alcoholic outdoor celebration features music and dancing in Saginaw Street, food and beverage vendors and party favors. 9 p.m.-1 a.m. At midnight, an illuminated ball will hit the top of a 100-foot pole at the front of the Phoenix Center. A fireworks display follows. (248) 867-5603

TREASURES!
"A Starry Story Night," featuring eight St. Flavored vodkas, and includes prime rib buffet 6-9 p.m., champagne toast and prize balloon drop at midnight, free continental breakfast 1 a.m., doors open 9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, at the nightclub in Holiday Inn, 1723 Laurel Park Dr., Livonia. \$30, \$40 after Dec. 28. (734) 462-2196

YPSILANTI'S NEW YEAR JUBILEE
Featuring 40 performances by a variety of artists including Shells Landis and Rick Matto, Paul VonHagen, Joel Mobius, Wild Swan Theatre, LaRon Williams, Cranberry Creek, O.J. Anderson, George Bedard and the Kingpins, All Hill and the Love Butlers, Lonerstar Dance Company, Nite Flight, and Charlene Berry. Wednesday, Dec. 31, in a variety of locations throughout Ypsilanti's Historic Depot Town. \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door for adults, \$5 for children ages 6-12, and free for children ages 5 and younger. Tickets available at Busch's Value-Land Stores in the Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti area, and at the Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti Area Visitors and Convention Bureau. Free badges available for families who cannot afford it. (734) 484-6620/(734) 483-4444/(734) 995-7281

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Saturday, Dec. 27; "Remembering Downtown Hudson's" exhibit, a nostalgic look at what made the Hudson's downtown Detroit store an icon of the city's prosperous era, runs through December 1998, at the museum, 5401 Woodward Ave. (at Kirby), Detroit. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Free admission. Wednesdays; \$3 for adults, \$1.50 seniors and children aged 12-18, free for children ages 11 and younger. Thursday-Sundays. (313) 833-1805

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER
IMAX movies include: "Super Speedway," 10 a.m. and 11:10 a.m. Mondays through Fridays; "Special Effects," 12:20 p.m. and 1:20 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, 12:45 p.m. and 1:45 p.m. Saturdays, and 1:45 p.m. Sundays; "Destiny In Space," 12:45 p.m. Sundays, at the museum, 5020 John R. (at Warren Road), Detroit. \$6.75 for adults, \$4.75 for youths 3-17, and seniors 60 and older. Includes one screening of an IMAX film, a visit to the Exhibit Floor, a live science demonstration in the Discovery Theatre and a short laser presentation. \$2.50 for each additional IMAX movie. Discounts available to groups to 10 or more. Hours are 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, and 12:30 p.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. (313) 577-8400 or http://www.sciencedetroit.org

HENRY FORD ESTATE
Featuring rooms decorated for the holidays by area florists, open for public tours, 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Mondays-Fridays in December, hourly from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturdays in December, and every half hour from 1-4:30 p.m. Sundays. \$7.55 for groups of 20 or more by reservation; Candlelight tours, 6-8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26-Saturday, Dec. 27; \$7; all at the estate, 4901 Evergreen Road, University of Michigan-DeAnn, Dearborn. (313) 593-5590

HENRY FORD MUSEUM AND GREENFIELD VILLAGE
"1850s Holiday Evenings at Eagle Tavern," featuring a holiday dinner with a 19th Century twist, Friday, Dec. 26-Wednesday, Dec. 31, and Saturday, Jan. 3-Sunday, Jan. 4; "Traditions of the Season," featuring holiday trees and decorations from various eras, through Sunday, Jan. 4, at the museum and village, 20900 Oakwood Boulevard, Dearborn. \$12.50 adults, \$11.50 seniors ages 62 and older, \$6.25 for children ages 5-12, and free for children ages 5 and younger. Group rates available. (313) 274-1620

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY
"Sacred Arts of Haitian Vodou," the first comprehensive exhibition to explore the arts produced within this religion, runs from 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays-Sundays through Sunday, Dec. 28, at the Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren Ave. (at Brush St.), Detroit. "Sacred Arts" features a wide spectrum of art objects including sequined flags, sacred bottles, poles, painted calabashes, beaded rattles, bound medicine packets, dolls, cosmographs, musical instruments, multimedia assemblages and contemporary paintings. The exhibit is rated PG-13 as some of the images in Sacred Arts of Haitian Vodou may not be suitable for children ages 13 and under, or individuals sensitive to graphic images. Adult supervision is suggested. \$3 for adults and \$2 for children 12 and under. (313) 494-5800.

POPULAR MUSIC
"ANTI-FREEZE BLUES FEST"
With Lonnie Brooks, Thoretta Davis and the Sherecroppers of Soul, Muddy, Johnny "Yarddog" Jones, and Motor City Josh. 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 2, and Johnnie Johnson backed by George Bedard and the Kingpins, Johnnie Bassett and the Blues Insurgents, Jim McCarty and Mystery Train, The Reformer with James Wallis' and Harmonica Shaw, and Mimi Harris and the Chisel Bros. 7

p.m. Saturday, Jan. 3, Megic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$15 per night, \$25 for two-day pass. 18 and older. (blues) (248) 544-3030

THE ARTIST FORMERLY KNOWN AS PRINCE
9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. \$19.99, \$45, and \$65. (248) 645-6666/(248) 377-0100 or http://www.ticketmaster.com

JOCELYN B. AND THE DETROIT STREET PLAYERS
9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Soup Kitchen Saloon, 1585 Franklin St. (at Orleans), Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 259-2643

REMARKABLE LADIES "HOLIDAY SPECTACLE"
With The Devils. 9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. \$25. All ages. (afternoon) (248) 377-0100

JOHNNY BASSETT AND THE BLUES INSURGENTS
9:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 29, Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road (between Woodward Avenue and Southfield Road), Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 642-1135

GEORGE BEDARD AND THE KINGPINS
With Sarah Brown, Bill Kirchen and Cub Koda. 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. All ages. (rockability) (734) 761-1451

BIG DAVE AND THE ULTRASONICS
9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (punk blues) (734) 996-8555

THE BIG BROTHERS
9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Pages, 23621 Farmington Road, Farmington. Cover charge. 21 and older. (pop) (248) 477-0099

BLUE CAT
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

BLUE CRUSADERS
9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 30, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

BOON
With Enemy Squad and Uncle Booby. 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$8 in advance. 18 and older. (funk rock) (313) 833-9700

BRIGHT
10 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Rivertown Saloon, 1977 E. Woodbridge, Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (pop) (313) 567-6020

BUGS BEDDOW BAND
9 p.m.-1 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Kingsley Inn, 1475 N. Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older; 9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 2, Saturday, Jan. 3, Beale Street Blues. B.N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-1000/(248) 334-7900

CITY LIGHTS BLUES BAND
With Barbara Scott, Paul "Big Rufus" Clayton, and comedian Tim Costello. 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Knights of Columbus hall, 2430 Biddle Ave., Wyandotte. (734) 284-2709

THE CIVILIANS
10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26, Kodak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Mount Chelst, 4175 Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (810) 731-1750/(248) 549-2929

ALICE COOPER
9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$45. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-5451

TOMMY D BAND
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 26-Saturday, Dec. 27, Hennessy's, 49110 Grand River, Wilson. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 344-4404

DEMOLITION DOLLODS
With Detroit Cobras and 2 Star Tabernacle. 9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Megic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10. 18 and older. (punk) (313) 833-POOL

DIAMOND DUKES
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