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for John Weidman's "Assassins" with music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Feb. 8/9 (6:30 p.m. registration), at the Baldwin Theatre, 415 South Lafayette, Royal Oak. For performances April 16-18, 22-25 at 8 and May 1-2. (248) 541-4832

THEATRE GUILD OF LIVONIA

REDFORD

Accepting submissions for original one-acts by local artists in play/script format running 15-45 minutes each, deadline March 1, send four copies to the Theatre Guild, c/o Sean Kelley, P.O. Box 51574, Livonia, MI, 48150. For more information, call (313) 531-0554

TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS

Classes for students grades 1-12 in scene study, Broadway dance, hip hop, improvisation, private voice coaching, and participation in Tindero Show/Choir and The Ted Sullivan Show: A Variety Extravaganza for Actors, Singers and Dancers. Saturdays Feb. 6 to May 15, in the Cathedral Theatre, Masonic Temple, 500 Temple, Detroit. Students give two performances Saturday, May 15 in Cathedral Theatre. (313) 535-8962

JAZZ

JUDIE COCHILL TRIO

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Feb. 11, at the Copper Canyon Brewery, 27522 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield. (248) 223-1700

MAYNARD FERGUSON

4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, Adroy Auditorium, MacKenzie Fine Arts Center, Henry Ford Community College, 5150 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. (313) 845-6470

HEIDI HEPLER/MICHELLE RAMO/TODD CURTIS

7:30-9:30 p.m. Sundays in January at the Coffee Studio, 600 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. (734) 419-2288, 43 cover: 7:10 p.m. Wednesdays to Saturdays at Encore in the Quality Inn, 1801 S. Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 335-3790, 11 a.m. to 3 a.m. Saturdays, at Vic's Martini. 42875 Grand River Ave., Novi. (248) 305-7333 (vocal/piano/bass)

SHEILA LANDIS

8:10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5, Borders Books and Music, 4152 E. Rochester Road, Rochester. Free. All ages. (248) 652-0558; 8:10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, Borders Books and Music, 17141 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe. Free. All ages. (313) 885-1188

LORI LEEVRE

With Jimmy Lee Trio, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12-13, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

SHAHIDA NURULTRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Fridays, Feb. 5 and 12, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (vocal/piano/bass)

OASIS

Flint band featuring pianist Cliff Moner and vocalist Stephanie. 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 5-6, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

GARY SCHUNK TRIO

8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (piano/bass/drums)

RANDY VOLIN & THE SONIC BLUES

Saturday, Feb. 6, at Memphis Smoke, 100 South Main, Royal Oak. (248) 543-3400

PAUL VORNHAGEN TRIO

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Feb. 4, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (sax and vocal/piano/bass)

URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDSON

With Dan Kolton, 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursdays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300

ROBERT WALTER'S 20TH CONGRESS

8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7, Amer's First Street Grill, Ann Arbor. \$6 in advance. 21 and older. (734) 99-MUSIC/(734) 213-6000 or <http://www.99music.com> (sclj jazz)

PHIL WOODS QUARTET

7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$20 in advance. All ages. (734) 761-1800 or <http://www.99music.com>

WORLD MUSIC

THE ARTICLES

10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, Amer's First Street Grill, 102 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$6. 21 and older. (734) 213-6000 (Jamaican jazz/ska)

HUIN HUIN TRIO

The Throat Singers of Tuva. 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 4, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15 in advance. All ages. (734) 761-1800 or <http://www.99music.com>

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

ALY BAIN AND PHIL CUNNINGHAM

Fiddle and accordion player perform 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$13.50. All ages. (734) 761-1800 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

GREY EYE GLANCES

7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10, \$9 members, students, seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1800 or <http://www.a2ark.org> (bluegrass)

DICK SIEBEL

8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10, \$9 members, students, seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1800 or <http://www.a2ark.org> (bluegrass)

8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$12.50. All ages. (734) 761-1800 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

POETRY

AMIRI BARAKA

The legendary playwright, American poet, fiction and essay writer, 12:30 p.m. and Wednesday, Feb. 10, with Detroit poets and playwrights. Alvin Auber and Ron Allen, room 3234 of the Wayne State University English Department Building, 51 W. Warren Avenue and 730 S. State. 577-2450, at YMCA of Metro Detroit's Arts & Humanities Center on the WSU campus at 51 W. Hancock, west of Woodward. Detroit. (313) 207-5300, ext. 338. \$5. Free for Writer's Voice members.

DANCE

CONTRA DANCE

Ann Arbor Council for Traditional Music and Dance presents calling by Eric Zorn to music by the Contraprepus, no partner needed. 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6 (open jam for Contra dancers of all levels at 8 p.m.), at the Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor Saline Road, south of 14th, Ann Arbor. \$7. (734) 665-7704

MERCER CUNNINGHAM DANCE COMPANY

8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 12-13, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$16, \$24, \$28, \$34, (734) 764-2538, or <http://www.umsa.org>

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING

Ann Arbor Council for Traditional Music and Dance presents traditional music and dancing led by Eric Arnold, Helen White and Don Thoyken to live music, 7:15-9:45 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9, at the Chapel Hill Community Club, 1500 W. Ann Arbor, Ann Arbor. \$5. (734) 662-5158

BALLROOM/POLKA DANCE

Featuring the music of "The Carousels," 3:47 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7, at the American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 East Maple at Dequindre, Troy. \$4. (248) 689-3636

COMEDY

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB

John Joseph with the music of Johnny B. and Rich Higginbottom, Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 4-6 (11:45); Mike Green, Joey Bielecki and Ben Barn, Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 12-13 (12:15). At the club above, 1601 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 p.m. Wednesday-Thursdays, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Third Level Improv and new talent nights. 8 p.m. Sundays (85). (734) 261-0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S

Pam Stone, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 5-6 (12:24, \$24.95 dinner show package), and 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7 (12:12, \$24.95 dinner show package). Dan Wilson, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 12-13 (\$12, \$24.95 dinner show package), and 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14 (\$12, \$24.95 dinner show package). (313) 584-8885

MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE

Leo DuFour, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 4 (8); 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5 (8); and 5:45 p.m., 8 p.m., and 10:45 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6 (10); Wayne Coker, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11 (10); 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12 (12); and 5:45 p.m., 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13 (12). (734) 996-9080

SECOND CITY

"Daimlers are a Girl's Best Friend," a fifth anniversary celebration show retrospective. 8 p.m. Wednesdays. Sundays, additional show at 10:30 p.m. on Fridays-Saturdays, through Feb. 7, at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. 11, 2301 Woodward, Thursdays, Sundays, \$17.50 and Thursdays, \$15.50 on Saturdays. (313) 965-2222

MUSIC

GRANDBOOK ART MUSEUM

"A Conflation of Art and Science," through April 3, at the museum, 1221 North Woodward, (313) 965-2222

BLUES

8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 12, 7th House, 7 N. Main St., Ferndale. \$12 in advance. 18 and older. (248) 335-8100 or <http://www.961met.com> (honky-tonk country)

THE CARDIGANS

With Kent, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$13 in advance. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961met.com> (pop)

CHIEF CHRIS BLUES BAND

9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, Boulders, 1020 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. Free. 21 and older. (734) 459-4190 (blues)

CHISEL BROS. WITH THORNETTA DAVIS

9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 4, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (248) 543-4300 (R&B)

DETROIT BLUES BAND

Friday, Feb. 5, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty St., Plymouth. Cover charge, 21 and older. (734) 451-1213 (blues)

DOVETAIL JET

With Bliss, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, at the House, 8761 Dixie Highway, Pontiac. \$1.05. All ages. (248) 335-8100 or <http://www.961met.com> (rock)

STEVE FERGUSON AND THE MIDWEST CREOLE ENSEMBLE

8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$12.50. All ages. (734) 761-1800 or <http://www.a2ark.org> (blues)

THE FLYS

Headline "Sondermunk," a local band competing with a first prize of playing MTV's "Spring Break," 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$7 at the door. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.a2ark.org> (variety)

FOOLISH MORTALS

10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, Woody's, 208 W. Fifth St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (248) 543-6911; 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 12-13, Mr. B's on House, 8761 Dixie Highway, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older. (248) 625-4600 (rock)

GOOD GRAY

9:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 4, Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Water St., Rochester. Free. 21 and older. (248) 500-5060 (rock)

ROBERT GORDON

With Black Beauty, Starlight Drifters and Big Barn Combo, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, Magic Stick, 22920 Woodward Ave., Farmdale. \$13. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicstick.com> (rock/blues/western swing)

GRAVITY GAMES

With Teen Lovers, Starlight Drifters, Outsiders, John Cusack Attack, and Elephant Ear, 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. 18 in advance, 10 at the door. All ages. (248) 333-2352 or <http://www.961met.com> (punk)

GRR

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 5-6, Bogey's, 142 Walled Lake Road, Walled Lake. Free. 21 and older. (248) 659-441; 10 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7, Boulders, 1020 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. Free. 21 and older. (734) 459-4190 (blues)

AL HILL AND THE LOVE BUTLERS

9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5, and solo at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9, Fox and Hounds, 1500 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-8000 (blues)

AFROHAWK WHIGS

9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$16 in advance. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961met.com> (rock)

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