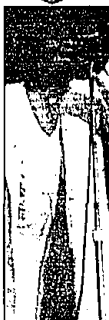


THE WEEKEND

FRIDAY



James Brown, the Godfather of Soul, rolls into town 8 p.m. at the Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. He's touring in support of his latest album, "Love Over Due," the first studio album Brown has released in more than three years. Tickets \$27.50 and \$35, call Ticketmaster (248) 645-6666.

SATURDAY



Cellist Truls Mork joins the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, led by Neeme Jarvi, 8:30 p.m. at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Mork will perform Martinu's Concerto for Cello. Tickets \$14 to \$50, call (313) 576-5111.

SUNDAY



All aboard for Railroad Days at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. Take a trip on an 1890-1910 handcar, visit a hobo camp, and take a sneak peek at a scale model of the Marshall Roadhouse, created by the South Oakland County Model Railroad Club. Greenfield Village is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission \$12.50 adults, \$11.50 senior citizens age 62 and over, \$7.50 for kids ages 5-12. Children under 5 and members admitted free. Call (313) 271-1620 for information.



Hot Tip: Jacqueline M. Gnottt is one of the artists participating in Art in the Park, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, in downtown Birmingham's Shain Park. This year's event features 70 artists, food vendors, and an expanded family activities center. Call (248) 466-8150 for more information.

Bay Harbor

THE NEW UP NORTH

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Bay Harbor - where "time" was meets a reinvented 21st-century downtown. In the new Bay Harbor, you can step back and ponder Lake Michigan lore, yet take a leap to 21st-century entertainment. This is Michigan's new Up North.

Just five years ago, Bay Harbor was a bleak scene along U.S. Highway 31 between Charlevoix and Petoskey. Views of Little Traverse Bay were blighted by an abandoned cement factory and spent quarry.

Southfield-based Victor International Corp.'s CEO David Johnson teamed with CMS Energy CEO Bill McCormick to form Bay Harbor Company L.L.C. and acquired the property. Their development work has become the new Bay Harbor, the largest land-reclamation project in the United States with 1,200 acres and five miles of contiguous shoreline.

Amazingly, no market research was done for the Bay Harbor project. But mixed-use developments have been built in Florida, Arizona and California with success as high-rise and high-density communities with amenities.

Johnson and McCormick had a different idea based on dedication to quality, reduction in density, ecological harmony with the land, open-space planning, amenities for lifestyle and new-age entertainment.

From mere concept in mid-December 1997 until opening on July 4, internationally renowned JPRA Architects of Farmington Hills took the project from design to completion in just 14 months. JPRA's director of design Ron Rea, project designer Roman Bonislavski and project architect Mark Van-Werder reinvented downtown Bay Harbor.

"Exterior design represents a century of Lake Michigan history from early fishing villages to Hemingway memories," Rea said. "The interior is new history, hip and ahead of the curve."

In designing downtown Bay Harbor, Rea and his team stepped back into the 19th century when merchant sailing vessels ruled the Great Lakes and imagined what life was like in port towns. They connected that with modern day vibrant energy in existing buildings and those to come.

"Entering the new millennium, we're on the verge of many attitude



Marina: (Above) Bay Harbor marina and surrounding village. (Below) Main Street in Bay Harbor's new downtown.

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changes defining entertainment," Johnson said. "Entertainment is life and lifestyle. The most valuable quantity to anyone is time. Many people believe they've worked 20 years or more and missed life, so they want to live where they have extensive choices on how they are going to spend leisure time."

"We've created Bay Harbor as a place to live and be entertained year-round. It's resort living. It's Michigan's Vail. The No. 1 element is being here and spending time here, whether you're a resident or visitor. Therefore the infrastructure has fiber-optic cable, which allows people to be away from their business but be on their cell phone on a 60-foot boat, in a peninsula home or the Marina District."

"They can conduct business here in a more-relaxed atmosphere and nobody knows whether they're in their board room or in a bar at Latitude restaurant (see dining feature on Page E8) or out walking the docks. That's the first kind of entertainment we provide - a lifestyle advantage in a particular place."

"Our goal is to take northern

Color tours: The first 10 days of October promise the best color touring. "First make a color tour through the Bay Harbor Marina District. Then drive from Bay Harbor, connect with Michigan highway 119 and drive the 20 miles linking Harbor Springs with Cross Village in Emmet County, alternately winding through a tunnel of trees, ablaze with color, and past breathtaking panoramas of Lake Michigan."

Hemingway: A short drive east of Bay Harbor on U.S. Highway 31 is Petoskey and the third annual Hemingway Festival all day Saturday, Oct. 16. Although Hemingway's time in Petoskey was relatively brief, the area had a profound impact on him and these reminiscences are reflected in his stories, such as "The Big Two-Hearted River" and passages from "A Moveable Feast." Activities are centered along Hemingway Lane in Petoskey Park, downtown. There are fun runs, historic walking and trolley tours, special story-telling tours for children, great food and musical

entertainment throughout the day. For more information, call the Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce, (231) 347-4150.

Halloween Festival: At the Marina District.

Dickens Festival: Saturdays between Thanksgiving and Christmas, carolers, waltz, street entertainers and a brass quartet will represent holidays past in new-age downtown Bay Harbor.

Winter Ice Carving Festival: At the Marina District and cross country skiing and snowmobiling events.

For more information on Bay Harbor property ownership, renting or exact entertainment dates and times, call (231) 439-2000 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily to speak with a representative.

As a point of clarification, Bay Harbor Properties (the focus of this feature) should not be confused with the Inn at Bay Harbor operated by Boyne USA Resorts.

Michigan from beyond a summer destination - which is a slam dunk - to one providing year-round entertainment for adults and kids with adventure sports, biking, hunting, trail riding and snowmobiling."

Each year Johnson attends the week-long Young Presidents Organization conference at Harvard University. There he has rubbed elbows with the likes of the president of Vail Resorts in Colorado, who invites attendees to ski the best slopes in the Rockies and never leave his living room.

"It's done with virtual reality,"

Johnson explained. "Your legs will be tired and you'll be weak. In the future, the Marina District will have virtual-reality entertainment and a world-class spa, which Michigan does not have currently."

Build it and they'll come

If you build it, they will come is an operative at Bay Harbor. The Marina District represents upturn living in a fashionable downtown that has attracted top-of-the-line Michigan-based retailers.

"Entertainment is shopping and,

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MUSIC

WHAT: The Chamber Music Society of Detroit presents concert pianist Jon Kimura Parker **WHERE:** 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit **TICKETS:** \$18 to \$40, student tickets \$15, call Ticketmaster (248) 645-6666. For more information, call (248) 737-9960.

Season schedule:

- Tokyo String Quartet - 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 30 at Orchestra Hall
- Orpheus Chamber Orchestra - 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, Seligman Family Performing Arts Center, Detroit Country Day School
- Joshua Bell - 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 9, Seligman Family Performing Arts Center
- Borromeo String Quartet with James Dunham, viola - 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, Seligman Family Performing Arts Center
- Takacs Quartet - 8 p.m. Saturday, March 25, Seligman Family Performing Arts Center
- Jesse Norman, organ, fund-raising concert to benefit the Chamber Music Society of Detroit - 5 p.m. Saturday, April 29, Detroit Opera House
- Katchen-Laredo-Robinson Trio - 8 p.m. Sunday, May 21, Orchestra Hall

Chamber Music Society of Detroit opens season Sunday

The Chamber Music Society of Detroit begins its 56th season Sunday with a concert featuring internationally acclaimed concert pianist Jon Kimura Parker at Orchestra Hall in Detroit.

Parker was featured by the Chamber Music Society of Detroit in its 1995-1996 series. Called "Conversations from the Stage," his unique conversational approach to the piano recital was so well received that the same format will be used again in his Sunday performance.

"We are extremely pleased to welcome Jon Kimura Parker back to the Chamber Music Society of Detroit for our opening night," said Lois R. Bezno, president of the Farmington Hills-based organization.

His concert will include Sonata in A Major, K. 331, by Mozart, Sonata No. 23



Jon Kimura Parker

he performed the Samuel Barber Piano Concerto, Op. 38 with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

Parker was born, raised and educated in Vancouver, British Columbia. He has given two command performances for Queen Elizabeth II.

In the past season, he has performed at Carnegie Hall, Chicago's Orchestra

Hall, London's Queen Elizabeth Hall and the Sydney Opera House.

A highlight of this year's Chamber Music Society season is an April 29 benefit concert at the Detroit Opera House featuring soprano Jesse Norman.

The concert will benefit the Chamber Music Society. An afterglow following the concert at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History will raise money for the museum and serve as the official opening of a new exhibit, "African Energies." The exhibit will offer an artistic perspective on the ways in which African cultures use the energetic forces of nature to define their spiritual and cultural identity.

"As we announce our 56th season, we

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