

# 8 days a week

A Guide to entertainment in the Metro Detroit area

## THEATER

**DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE**  
"Ad Altare Dei (Unto the Altar of God)," John Shea's play about faith, beauty and a priest who uses a hockey stick to straighten out sinners, through Dec. 31, at the theater, 13103 Woodward Wilson, Detroit. 8:30 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays. \$15. (313) 869-1347 or [DetRepTn@aol.com](http://DetRepTn@aol.com)

**DEM THEATRE**  
"I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change," through Jan. 3, at the theater's new location, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit. 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesdays (\$27.50), 8 p.m. Thursdays (\$27.50), 8 p.m. Fridays (\$32.50), 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturdays (\$32.50), and 2 p.m. Sundays (\$27.50) and 6 p.m. Sundays (\$19.50). (313) 963-9800

**JET**  
"Resident Alien," an Intergalactic comedy of love and deception, Dec. 2-Sunday, Jan. 3, at the theater, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. (248) 788-2900 or <http://comnet.org/jet>

**MEADOW BROOK THEATRE**  
"A Christmas Carol," Saturday, Nov. 21, to Sunday, Dec. 27, at the theater, 825-836. (248) 377-3300  
**"NUTCRACKER ON ICE"**  
7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1, 12:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 2, and 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Farmington Hills. \$24, \$22 students and seniors, \$28 gold circle. (810) 286-2222

**PURPLE ROSE THEATRE COMPANY**  
"Boom Town," Jeff Daniets' powerful drama set in a small midwestern town, through Sunday, Nov. 29, at the company's Garage Theatre, 137 Park Street, Chelsea. 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday. "Boom Town" is recommended for mature audiences only. \$15-\$30. (734) 475-7902

## COLLEGE

**UD MERCY THEATRE COMPANY**  
An evening of the compelling work of the masterful Russian playwright Chekhov, through Dec. 5, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Sundays, at the Earl D.A. Smith Studio Theatre on the McNichols Campus. \$10. \$8 students/seniors/UD Mercy employees, alumni. (313) 993-1130  
**UMM THEATRE AND DRAMA**  
"Volpone," Ben Jonson's wickedly funny Jacobean comedy returns to UM stage after a hiatus of almost 40 years, Thursday-Sunday, Dec. 3-6, at the Power Center, Ann Arbor. \$18, \$14, \$7 student with ID. (734) 764-0450

**WSU HILBERRY THEATRE**  
"Scapin," Moliere's tale of intrigue and slapstick runs in rotating repertory to Feb. 3, at the theater, 4743 Cass Avenue, Detroit. \$10-\$17. (313) 577-2972

## COMMUNITY THEATER

**FARMINGTON PLAYERS**  
"A Tuna Christmas" comedy by Ed Howard, Joe Sears and Jaston Williams, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 27-28, at the Players Barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, 1/2 mile west of Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Tickets \$12, call (248) 553-2955  
**PLANET ANT THEATRE**  
"American Standard," Chuck O'Connor's post-dramatic neo-comedy continues to Nov. 29, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and 7 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, 2357 Caniff Avenue, Hamtramck. \$10. (313) 365-4948 or [www.planetant.com](http://www.planetant.com)

**PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN**  
"Mama," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday through Nov. 28, 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29, 21730 Madison (near southwest corner of Monroe and Custer Dr.), Dearborn. \$14. (313) 561-7125  
**PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD**  
Cote Porter's "Anything Goes," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 27-28, at the Water Tower Theatre, 41001 West Seven Mile Road, west of I-75 between Haggerty and Northville Hospitals), Northville. \$11 advance, \$12 at door. (248) 349-7110

**STAGECRAFTERS THEATRE**  
"The Hellraisers," by Ruth and Augustus Goetz, runs on the Main Stage through Nov. 29, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29, at the Baldwin Theatre, downtown Royal Oak. \$10, \$12 reserved. Senior/student discounts Thursday and Sunday. (248) 541-6430

## DINNER THEATER

**BACI ABBRACCI ITALIAN CHOPHOUSE**



**Holiday fun: Celebrate "Traditions of the Season," Friday, Nov. 27 through Sunday, Jan. 3 at Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village, Oakwood Boulevard at Village Road (west of the Southfield Freeway) in Dearborn. At the Edison Homestead in the Village, visitors will learn more about festivities surrounding the holiday feast from food preparation to the setting and decorating of the table. The Museum and Village are open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Admission adults \$12.50, people 62 and older \$11.50, kids 5-12 years old \$7.50, children under 5 free. Call (313) 271-1620 for information.**

"Tony n' Tina's Wedding," an interactive theatre show with patrons having an Italian dinner, and dancing to live bands performing traditional Italian wedding songs, begins Thursday, Dec. 3, for an open-ended run, at the restaurant, 40 W. Pike St., Pontiac. 7:30 p.m. Thursdays-Fridays, 2 p.m. and 7:30 Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sundays. \$50 Thursdays and Sundays, \$35 Fridays and Saturdays, in advance at 8 W. Lawrence St., Pontiac. (248) 745-8668/(248) 645-6666  
**GENITTI'S HOLE-IN-THE-WALL**  
Live interactive children's theater program, "Santa's Workshop," Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 28-29, 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturdays, 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays, Dec. 5-6, Friday, Dec. 11, and Saturday-Wednesday, Dec. 12-23, at the restaurant, 108 E. Main St., Northville. \$9.65 for children, \$11.65 adults, includes lunch, show, tax and gratuity. (248) 349-0522

## YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

**AMERICAN FAMILY THEATRE**  
Broadway for kids production of "Cinderella," a family musical, favorite, 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 4, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road. \$6, reservations. (248) 424-9022  
**EMU THEATRE**  
"Ghost of the River House," an 11-year-old boy and his grandfather set for adventure in this play by Max Bush of Michigan, for ages seven and up, 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, and 8 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 4-5, at the Quirk Theatre, on the Eastern Michigan University campus in Ypsilanti. \$7 Thursday, \$12 Friday-Saturday, \$10 Sunday matinee. (734) 487-1221

**MARQUIS THEATRE**  
"Cinderella," through Jan. 3, at the theater, 135 E. Main St., Northville. 2:30 p.m. Saturdays, Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19 and 26, and Jan. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, and Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, and 7:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday, Dec. 28-31. \$6.50. (248) 349-8110  
**NEW MILLENNIUM YOUTH THEATRE**  
Hans Christian Andersen's fairy tale "The Ugly Duckling," 2 p.m. Saturdays, Nov. 28 and Dec. 12 and 19, at the Millennium Center, 15600 J.L. Hudson Drive, between Eight and Nine Mile, Southfield. (248) 552-7000/(248) 552-1225

**NOVI THEATRES**  
"The Nutcracker," a play with dancing by Jane Walker Rogers, adapted by Mary Kay Davis, performed by Children's Amex Company, 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 4-5, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, at the Novi Civic Center Stage, 45175 West 20 Mile, Novi. \$8, \$7 advance. (248) 347-0400  
**PAPER BAG PRODUCTIONS**  
"Cinderella," Saturdays-Sundays

through Dec. 20 with holiday performance Friday, Nov. 27, Hillside Playhouse, 3321 E. Jefferson, between Mount Elliott and McDougall, Detroit. Saturday programs start with lunch at noon and performances at 1 p.m. Sundays with lunch at 2 p.m. \$7.50, \$6.50 \$11.85 of 20 or more. (810) 662-8118

**PUPPETART**  
"Close the Window...or, a Chelm Story, a folk tale inspired by Isaac Bashevis Singer from old Russia," 2 p.m. Saturdays, Nov. 28 and Dec. 5, at the Detroit Puppet Theater, 26 East Grand Ave., between Woodward and Farmer, Detroit. \$6.50, \$5 children. (313) 961-7777/(248) 557-8599  
**WILD SWAN THEATRE**  
In collaboration with Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village presents "The Cricket in Times Square," the first over stage version of George Seldon's book run Wednesday, Dec. 2 to Saturday, Jan. 2, at Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village. (734) 763-TKTS/(734) 995-0530/(248) 645-6666

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**ANTIQU & COLLECTIBLES SHOW**  
Noon to 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, at the Gibraltar Trade Center-Taylor, Eureka and I-75. (734) 287-2000  
**BIRMINGHAM'S FREE ANTIQUE SHOW**  
Featuring 20 antique dealers of 18th and 19th century furniture, American fine art, estate jewelry, art glass, toys, lighting, books, porcelain, and primitives, free appraisals during show, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, 251 Merrill Street, second level, Birmingham. Free parking in all Birmingham parking structures for two hours. (248) 647-8833  
**"CANDLELIGHT HOLIDAY DINNER"**  
With Johnny Trudell Orchestra, 5:11 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, Italian American Club Banquet Center, 39200 Hix Road, Livonia. \$36. Includes full course dinner, capucini and espresso, beer and wine, and music. (248) 349-8880  
**COMPUTER & TECHNOLOGY SHOW**  
New and used computers, hardware, noon to 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, at the Gibraltar Trade Center-Taylor, Eureka and I-75. (734) 287-2000  
**DIA WAUSAAL FEAST**  
Travel back 400 years to celebrate the holiday season in a re-creation of the legendary Winter Court of the Neamati mienewah. Care Link at G.S. Hotel, Children's Hospital. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.e2ark.org>  
**KWANZAA FEEST**  
Featuring a black inventors museum, author's pavilion, Kuumba family

center, keynote speakers, health, beauty and fitness pavilion, international soul food center, an African wedding center, a technological center and a Kwanzaa marketplace, Friday-Sunday, Nov. 27-29, Cobo Hall, Detroit. (248) 557-4713  
**ROYAL OAK KIWANIS CLUB**  
Holiday Magic show with magician Don Jones, Saturday, Nov. 28, the Royal Oak Kimball High School Auditorium. (248) 569-4670/(800) 348-0112

## FAMILY EVENTS

**AMERICA'S THANKSGIVING PARADE**  
Pre-parade activities are 7:15-8 a.m., with the parade beginning at 9:15 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 26, along Woodward, Mack and Jefferson avenues, Detroit. Free. \$15 grandstand seating available at Ticketmaster. (248) 645-6666  
**CHELSEA FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS**  
Featuring Santa's workshop, kids' crafts, window displays, hayrides, cookie decorating, reenactments of German Christmas stories, festival of lessons and carols, Friday-Sunday, Dec. 4-6, throughout downtown Chelsea. 194 exit 159 (north Cheltenham/Manchester exit). Free. (800) 265-9045 or <http://www.ypslanti.org>  
**COBO CARNIVAL**  
Featuring a full-scale midway including games, rides and family entertainment, noon to 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 26, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 27-28, Friday-Saturday, Dec. 4-5, and Saturday, Dec. 12, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13, Cobo Conference and Exhibition Center, Detroit. Free admission but a charge for rides and games. \$15 ride-all-day wristband. (313) 877-8111  
**"FESTIVAL OF TREES"**  
Features 100 exquisitely designed trees, all for sale, opens 10 a.m. daily through Nov. 29, at Cobo Center, Detroit. \$7, \$5 seniors 60 and over, \$3 children ages 2-12. Call (313) 966-TREE or <http://www.metroguide.com/lot>  
**QEMINI**  
1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$6. Partial proceeds go to Holston Neomati mienewah Care Unit at G.S. Hotel, Children's Hospital. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.e2ark.org>  
**KWANZAA FEEST**  
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## CLASSICAL

**EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY**  
Collegium Concert of choral and instrumental music of the 17th/18th centuries, under director Anthony Iannaccone, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1, at Holy Trinity Chapel, 511 West Forest, Ypsilanti. Free. (734) 487-0482/(734) 663-2534

## CHORAL

**PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS**  
"Joy," a Christmas Concert, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 4-5, and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, at Plymouth-Salem High School, 46181 Joy Road, Canton. \$9 donation. (734) 455-4080

## ORGAN

**MIKE ECARD**  
Presents a Lowrey Organ Concert, 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, at the Evola Music Store in the Livonia Mall, Seven Mile and Middlebelt. Free, but donations of canned goods accepted for the Franciscan Poverty Program. Reservations, (248) 442-9682

## POPSWING

**BIRD OF PARADISE ORCHESTRA**  
9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Mondays, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$3. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310 (big band)  
**"HOLIDAY SWING"**  
With Bud Forrest and the String Pearls Orchestra, 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. \$25, \$22 students and seniors. (810) 286-2222  
**PAUL KLINGER'S EASY STREET SWINGNET**  
5-8 p.m. Fridays, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$2. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310  
**SHAKEN NOT STIRRED**  
9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 28, First Street Grill, 102 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5, 21 and older. (734) 213-6000; 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3, Kull's, 9779 Godfredson Road, Plymouth. Free. 21 and older. (734) 455-8450 (swing/rockabilly)  
**STARLIGHT DRIFTERS**  
10:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 28, Rochester Hills Beer Co., 409 Water St., Rochester. Free. 21 and older. (248) 650-5080 (western swing)

**AUDITIONS**  
**PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD**  
Auditions for "The Sound of Music," children 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29, adults 6:30 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Dec. 1-2, in the Water Tower Theatre, on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital, west of I-75, at 41001 West Seven Mile, between Haggerty and Northville Hospitals, Northville. For performances Feb. 19-20, 26-28 and March 5-6. (734) 427-1775/(248) 478-8932/(248) 349-7110 or [www.causeway.com/ptg/](http://www.causeway.com/ptg/)  
**YOUTH THEATRE**  
Youthcasts needs eight volunteer ushers for children's programs at the Music Hall in Detroit. Call Larry Loyer (313) 962-4214 or <http://www.youththeatre.org>

## JAZZ

**SPENCER BAREFIELD QUARTET**  
CD Release Party-Concert, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, at Bakers Keyboard Lounge, 20510 Livernois, south of Eight Mile, Detroit. Free. (313) 346-3000  
**ALLEN BARNES TRIO**  
Featured during brunch, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays, at Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe, 29244 Northwestern, north of 12 Mile, Southfield. (248) 351-2925  
**GARY BLUMNER TRIO**  
8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Dec. 3, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (piano/bass/drums)  
**RON BROOKS TRIO**  
9 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$3. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310  
**JUDIE COCHILL TRIO**  
8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 4, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

## (vocals/piano/bass)

**DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**  
With Aretha Franklin, performs works from Leonard Bernstein, William Grant Still, Duke Ellington and Dizzy Gillespie, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 28, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$30 upper balcony, \$50 mid balcony, \$75 main floor B and the dress circle, \$125 main floor, \$150 box seats. (313) 576-5111 or <http://www.detroit-symphony.com>

**PAUL FINKBEINER'S JAZZ JAM**  
9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Sundays, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. Free. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310  
**HEIDI HEPLER & MICHELE RAMO**  
6:10 p.m., Mondays at Top-Chef, 27155 Sheraton Dr., Novi. (248) 348-5555; 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 p.m. Saturdays, at Vic's Market, 4287 S. Grand River Ave., Novi. (248) 305-7333 (vocal/piano/bass)  
**KIMMIE HORNE**  
9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 27-28, D.L. Harrington's Chop House, 2086 Crooks Road (at M-59), Rochester Hills. Free. 21 and older. (248) 852-0550; 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, Oakland Community College's Smith Theatre, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. \$12. (248) 471-7667/(248) 471-7700

**SHEILA LANDIS**  
With Rick Matto, 8:40 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, Borders Books and Music, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 737-0110; 10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 28, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Free. 21 and older. (313) 886-9101  
**HAROLD MCKINNEY**  
4-7 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays-Saturdays, at Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe, 29244 Northwestern Hwy., north of 12 Mile, Southfield. (248) 351-2925  
**MARION MEADOWS**  
With Norman Connors, Jean Caron, Angela Boffil, and local jazz saxophonist Darron McKinney, who was recently featured on BET's jazz discovery showcase, 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29, Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 300 Madison Avenue, Detroit. (313) 963-2366  
**MUTUAL ADMIRATION SOCIETY (M.A.S.)**  
8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 27-28, Free, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. All ages. (313) 831-3838  
**SHAHIDA NURUNNARAI**  
8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 27, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (vocal/piano/bass)  
**DANILO PEREZ TRIO**  
8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 27-28, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$15 in advance. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310  
**ROBERT PIPHO DUO**  
8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 30, Duot, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Free. All ages. (313) 831-3838  
**SACHA VASANDANI**  
Vocalist, 8:10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 28, Espresso Royale Cafe, 214 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (734) 668-1838 (jazz standards/originals)  
**PAUL VORHAGEN TRIO**  
9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 28, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (sax and vocal/piano/bass)  
**URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDDON**  
With Dan Kellton, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursdays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300  
**PAMELA WISE**  
The pianist performs 4-7 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, at Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe, 29244 Northwestern, north of 12 Mile, Southfield. (248) 351-2925  
**ALEXANDER ZONIC**  
9:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 27-28, and Dec. 4-5, Baci, 40 W. Pike St., Pontiac. Free. All ages. (248) 253-1300

## CHRISTIAN MUSIC

**"CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION"**  
Featuring concert of Christmas carols by Twila Parie, Crystal Lewis, Avalon, and Anthonis & Nichole Nordeman, 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29, at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield, Clinton Twp. \$28, \$25, \$22. (800) 555-3737/(810) 286-2222

## WORLD MUSIC

**JIM BUCKINGHAM**  
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, Innisfree Irish Pub and Grill, 5327 Middlebelt Road, Farmington Hills. \$12. (248) 645-2150

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