

8 days a week

A Guide to entertainment in the Metro Detroit area

THEATER

CENTURY THEATRE: *Mind Games* continues through July 29, at the theater, Detroit. \$24.50-\$34.50. (313) 963-9800

DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE: 7 for 2 continues to Sunday, May 20, 8:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, at the theater. No performance on Easter Sunday. (313) 868-1347

FISHER THEATRE: *Ragtime*, the musical continues to April 15 (\$35-\$75); Rob Becker's *Defending the Caveman* April 18-29 (\$35-\$45); *Annie* May 1-6, at the theater, Detroit. \$29-\$52. (248) 645-6666

FOX THEATRE: The gospel stage play *Listen To Your Woman*, April 24-29, at the theater. Showtimes vary. \$25-\$37.50. (313) 983-6611

GEM THEATRE: *The Tropical Pickle* continues through Aug. 26, at the Gem Theatre, Detroit. \$24.50-\$36.50. (313) 983-9800

HARMONY THEATRE: Tony 'n Tina's Wedding, the off-Broadway interactive theater production continues through April, 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 4:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, and 4:30 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, Detroit. \$65-\$65. (313) 961-5211/(248) 645-6666

PLANET ANT: *The Adding Machine* by Elmer L. Rice Thursday-Sunday, April 5-29; 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. Planet Ant Theatre, 2357 Caniff, Hamtramck. (313) 365-4948

MASONIC TEMPLE THEATRE: *The Phantom of the Opera* opens Wednesday, April 25 for 5 weeks, at the theater, Detroit. \$16-\$68. (248) 645-6666

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE: *The Ride Down Mt. Morgan* continues to April 15 (\$24.50-\$37.50); *Little Shop of Horrors* April 25-May 20, at the theater, Rochester. Showtimes vary. (248) 377-3300

PERFORMANCE NETWORK: *Struggling Truths* continues to April 8, at the theater, Ann Arbor. (734) 663-0681

PLOWSHARES THEATRE COMPANY: *Sisters* continues to April 8, at the Anderson Center Theater in Henry Ford Museum/Greenfield Village, Dearborn. \$20, \$15 matinee/seniors/students. (313) 872-0279

COMMUNITY THEATRE

FIRST THEATRE GUILD OF BIRMINGHAM: *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 8, at the theater. (248) 644-2087, ext. 151

THEATRE GUILD OF LIVONIA: *Redford: Fantasticks*, a romantic comedy musical, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 6-7; and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 8, 1513 Birch Beach Day, (1 block south of 5 Mile Road), Redford. \$12 adults, \$10 seniors/students. Group rates available. (313) 531-0554

MT. ZION THEATRE COMPANY: *John, His Story*, April 5-7 and 12-14, at the Mt. Zion Center for Performing Arts, Waterford, \$10 at door, \$8 advance, \$7 seniors/students. (248) 391-6166

NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY FAMILY THEATRE: *The Price of Love*, 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 6-7, 4 p.m. Sunday, April 8, Northville Christian Assembly, Northville. No charge. (248) 348-9030

WEST END PRODUCTIONS: *Always Patsy Cline*, 6:30 p.m. Friday, 4 p.m. Sunday, April 20-May 20, Como's Restaurant, Ferndale. \$35, includes dinner and show. (248) 541-3763

PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN: *A Runny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, opens 8 p.m. Friday, April 28. Shows 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 28 to May 19; and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, May 6, May 13, at the theater, Dearborn. \$14. (313) 561-TKTS

COLLEGE THEATRE

HILBERRY THEATRE: *The Rover* opens April 13 to May 19; *Picnic* continues through Thursday, May 10; *Shakespeare's Cymbeline* through April 5, at the theater, Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-2972

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE THEATRE: Presents Ernest Thompson's sentimental comedy *On Golden Pond* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 6-7, in the Liberal Arts Building, Livonia. \$10. (734) 462-4400, ext. 5457

STUNDO THEATRE: *Top Girls* April 5-7, in the theater on Wayne State University campus, Detroit. \$6-8. (313) 577-2972



Like a barrel of monkeys: *The Royal Hanneford Circus* returns, monkeys and all, to the Palace of Auburn Hills, Thursday-Sunday, April 5-8. Tickets \$12, \$9 and \$5, call (248) 645-6666.

THE THEATRE COMPANY:

Between Daylight and Boonville continues to April 8, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, in the McQuay Auditorium at University of Detroit Mercy. \$12, \$10 seniors/students. (313) 993-1130 or www.udmercy.edu

U-M THEATRE: Shakespeare's *Measure for Measure* continues to April 8, in the Trueblood Theatre, Ann Arbor. \$15, \$7 students. (734) 764-0450

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

PAPER BAG PRODUCTIONS: *The Wizard of Oz* continues to Saturday-Sunday through April 29, at Al Matta Hall, Dearborn. \$8.50, includes lunch. (810) 344-7747/(248) 476-8635

MARQUIS THEATRE: *Wizard of Oz* 2:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, April 7-8, 21-22 and 28-29, and Monday-Friday, April 16-20, at the theater, Northville. \$7.50. Children under age 3 not admitted. (248) 349-8110

PANDORA'S PUPPETS: Life-size Muppets-style puppets perform noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Saturday, April 7, on the food court stage at Wonderland Mall, Livonia.

PUPPETARTS: 2 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 7, Performances by Greg Johnson Marionettes, *Grass Forest: Journey into the World of Insects*, at the Detroit Puppet Theater, Detroit. \$7, \$5 children. (313) 961-7777

YOUTH THEATRE: *Are You My Mother* 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 8, at the Millennium Centre, Southfield. (248) 557-PLAY or www.youththeatre.org

SPECIAL EVENTS

BUNNY HOP 'N' FUN: A Bunny Breakfast of pancakes and sausage, from 9:30-10:30 a.m., kicks off the fun for families on Saturday, April 7, at the Southfield Civic Center, Southfield. Face painting, egg decorating, games, crafts and petting farm, for elementary school children and younger, 10 a.m. to noon. Breakfast is \$5 per Southfield resident, includes one photo with the Easter Bunny per family. Activities are \$5 per resident. Non-residents may buy tickets for \$7. (248) 354-9603

BUNNYVILLE AT THE ZOO: Youngsters can hunt for eggs, pose for photos with the Easter Bunny, meet Rugrats characters, see clowns and watch Mark Thomas perform and Max the Moose from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, April 14, at The Detroit Zoo. Admission is a canned food item for the Greenleaf Food Bank. Photos, \$5. Children under 12 will receive goodie bags, coloring books and bunny ears. (248) 388-0903

CHAMPIONS ON ICE: Featuring Michelle Kwan, Brian Boitano, Viktor Petrenko, Nicole Bobek, Rudy Galindo and more! 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 20, Joe Louis Arena, Detroit. \$25-\$55. (313) 983-6606

EASTER EGG HUNT: Hunt for more than 13,000 eggs begins at 11 a.m. (gates open at 9:30 a.m.) Saturday, April 14, at the Pavilion and Events Center near the Petting Farm at Domino's Farms, Ann Arbor. \$4, includes admission to the Petting Farm. Proceeds go to Paws With a Cause, a nonprofit organization that trains dogs to assist challenged children and adults. (734) 930-4450

EASTER LUNCHEON: Polish Easter lunch and performance by the Radomian Polish Folk Dance Ensemble, Sunday, April 8, Stitt Post No. 232, 23850 Military Road, Dearborn Heights. Doors open 12:30 p.m. Tickets \$19 per person, children 12 and under \$13. (734) 427-8640

EASTER ENTERTAINMENT: Enjoy dyeing eggs, making crafts, and face painting by students from Mercy High School 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 7 in the cafeteria at Meljers, Eight Mile and Haggerty, Northville. Two live shows by Anne Shaheen and the Kids Take Note Band are set for 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. (248) 449-5709

FUNERAL FOR OL' MAN WINTER: Featuring a Dixieland band leading the procession noon Thursday, April 5, on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-2151

GREAT LAKES REGIONAL CHILI COOKOFF: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 7, at the Kennedy Recreation Center on West Road in Trenton. No charge for admission but chili samples cost \$50 cents. Proceeds will benefit the Trenton Lions club who will donate the money to the Penick Center & Leader Dogs for the Blind. (734) 455-8838

REDFORD THEATRE: *Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 6-7, and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 7, origin overtures begin 30 minutes earlier, at the theater. \$3. (313) 531-4407

SPRING HOME & GARDEN SHOW: 2:10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, April 5-6, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, April 7 and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday, April 8, special guest Roger Swain, host of PBS' "The Victory Garden," at the Novi Expo Center. \$5, \$4 seniors/ages 6-12. (248) 882-0119 or www.builders.org

SWEDEN POLISH EASTER LUNCHEON: With a performance by Radomian Polish Folk Dance Ensemble preceded by lunch, 12:30 p.m. Sunday, April 8, Stitt Post No. 232, Dearborn Heights. Tickets \$19 adults, \$13 children 12 and under. No tickets at the door. (734) 427-8640

TAKE BACK THE NIGHT: Rally against sexual assault 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 4 on Gullen Mall on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 336-8191 or e-mail gliscout76@yahoo.com

X-TRAVA CON: Comic book, toy and non-sport card show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 8, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Livonia. \$2. (248) 426-8059

BENEFITS

BUILDING ON A DREAM AUCTION: Birdhouses, bird feeders and other yard art by artists like Gerome Kamrowski, Herb Babcock and Catherine McCullough will be on the auction block 7-10 p.m. Saturday, April 28, at Matthea Botanical Gardens, Ann Arbor. \$60. (734) 677-1558 to benefit Habitat for Humanity. Visit the Web site to view art www.hrh.org

CABARET CAFE: Plymouth Symphony Orchestra presents a Pops concert with silent and live benefit auctions and dinner 6-10 p.m. Friday, April 6, at Laurel Manor, Livonia. \$50, \$25 children. (734) 451-2112

FANTASY CRUISE/ADMIRAL'S BALL: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 7, (6:30 p.m. cocktails), at the Roosevelt, Detroit. \$75, to benefit Latino Family Services. (313) 841-7380, ext. 104

MICHAEL FEINSTEIN: Performs 8 p.m. Saturday, April 21, at Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, Detroit. \$25-\$60, to benefit Music Hall's educational outreach efforts and its annual event, the Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival. (313) 963-2366

FLEXA MARKET: The Detroit Historical Society Guild presents a show of antiques, collectibles and contemporary treasures 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, April 7-8, at Historic Fort Wayne, Detroit. Free. \$1 for secured parking. Vendors can still purchase tables for \$25. To benefit the Detroit Historical Museum, Dossin Great Lakes Museum, Historic Fort Wayne and Historic Moross House. (313) 821-7795

WINEFEST: WineMaker Dinner 7 p.m. Friday, April 20, at Washtenaw Community College, and WineFest Auction 5 p.m. Saturday, April 21, Ypsilanti Marriott at Eagle Crest, Ypsilanti. To benefit the Ann Arbor Art Center. (734) 994-8004, ext. 101

CLASSICAL

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: "Northern Lights" highlights musical contributions of Scandinavia with conductor Leif Sgerstam and pianist Arcadi Volodos 8 p.m. Friday, April 6, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 7 and 3 p.m. Sunday, April 8, Orchestra Hall. \$15-\$52, box seats \$45-\$71. (313) 576-5111 or www.detroit.symphonycorp.com

JOHN RELYEA: The bass-baritone performs as part of the University Musical Society Song Recital series 8 p.m. Saturday, April 14, works by Schumann, Schubert, Ibert and Tchaikovsky, at the Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre, Ann Arbor. \$45, \$35. (734) 784-2538

THREE PIANO CROSSOVER: Marian McPartland, Dick Hyman and Ruth Laredo blur the lines between classical, Latin blues and jazz with music by Chopin, Debussy and Bizet 8 p.m. Thursday, April 5, at Orchestra Hall. \$15-\$46. (313) 576-5111

WSU ORCHESTRA: Music of the 10th century 7 p.m. Thursday, April 12, in the community Arts Auditorium, on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-1795

AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

ALL-MALE CHORUS: Looking for singers with the ability to carry a tune for Wayne Chapter of SPEBSQSA, rehearsals 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, ability to read music not required, at Newburg United Methodist Church, Livonia. (734) 722-2186

COOKIES AND MILK: Auditions for volunteers to perform 10-minute musical or puppet segments for children ages 0-4 and their parent or caregiver 11 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at Cookies and Milk Drop-In Play Center, Canton. (734) 207-1655

DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE: Registration for Summer Camp of the Arts now being accepted, ages 7-11, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 18-July 6, at the Huntington Woods Recreation Center. (313) 965-3544

LIVONIA YOUTH CHOIR: Auditions for boys and girls (ages 9-13) with unchanged voices for the 2001-2002 school year, must reside in Livonia and surrounding communities, a civic and tuition based organization, 6:30-8 p.m. Sunday-Monday, June 3-4, at Faith Lutheran Church, Livonia. Rehearsals begin in September and run weekly. (734) 425-1749

MICHIGAN THEATRE AND DANCE TROUPE: Open auditions by appointment on Saturdays at 2 p.m. only, ages 16 and older, Call (248) 552-5001 for audition time. \$25 non-refundable registration fee.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS: An exciting music scholarship opportunity, designed and conducted by two mid-Michigan music educators, awaits 40 young male singers on May 18-20 on the Michigan State University campus in East Lansing. "A Cappella Bliss" will offer young men, ages 14-18, the chance to sing a cappella music using the Barbershop style in an ensemble setting. Clinics will help young

singers to broaden their skills and musical experience. The Young Men in Harmony program of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America (SPEBSQSA) has received generous grants from the Harmony Foundation and the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, making the event possible for a cost of only \$25 per participant. Registration deadline is Wednesday, April 18. For a form or more information, call Bob Wolf at (734) 421-1052 or visit the Web site www.harmonize.com/pioneer/pio.htm. There are limited places in the chorus. PRIME VOCAL JAZZ: Auditions for low bass singer, needed for established close harmony ensemble performing in Detroit/Ann Arbor area, requires strong music reading skills and excellent "ear," vocal jazz background a plus. (248) 682-6562

TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS: Holds auditions for actors, singers and dancers ages 8-12 to fill roles in the June 9-17 production of "Oliver" 10 a.m. Saturday, April 7, boys interested in the role of Oliver should be prepared to sing "Where Is Love?", in the Cathedral Theatre in Masonic Temple, Detroit. To schedule an audition, call (313) 535-8062

TONY 'N TINA'S WEDDING: Female keyboardist/singer needed for understudy role in the interactive theater show in Detroit's Harmonie Theater. Need to read sheet music and chord charts for pop/jazz/wedding music. Acting ability a plus. Equipment provided. Compensated performance. Call for audition (248) 388-2700

POPS/SWING

BIRD OF PARADISE ORCHESTRA: 9 p.m. Monday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$7 cover. (734) 662-8310 (big band, swing, pop)

JIM PARAVANTES & COMPANY: 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday through April, at Excelsior, Southfield. (248) 358-3355

BRASS

KING'S COURT BRASS QUINTET: 2 p.m. Sunday, April 2, the Orion Township Library. No charge. (248) 693-3001

ORGAN

EMU INAUGURAL CONCERT: Delbert Disselhorst, University of Iowa organ department chairman, gives a concert on newly-restored 4,000 pipe Alexander Memorial Organ 8 p.m. Friday, April 6, master class 12:30-2 p.m. Friday, April 5, in Pease Auditorium, Ypsilanti. Free. (734) 487-4380

CHORAL

EMU UNIVERSITY CHOR: Under the direction of Leonard Ricinto 8 p.m. Sunday, April 8, in Pease Auditorium, Ypsilanti. Free. (734) 487-2255

UKRAINIAN BANDURIST CHORUS: Perform sacred music including traditional a cappella Kyvan chant accompanied by bandura 2 p.m. Sunday, April 8, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, west of Inker Road, Livonia. Free will offering. (734) 422-1470

U-M MEN'S GLEE CLUB: Perform their 141st annual Spring Concert 8 p.m. Sunday, April 7, in Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. \$12, \$10, \$5 general admission. (734) 764-1448

JAZZ/BLUES

MARK ARSHAK: 8:30 p.m. Friday, April 6 and 9 p.m. Saturday, April 7, at Edison's Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

JOHNNIE BASSSETT: 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 6-7, at the Century Club Restaurant, Detroit. (313) 963-9800

BLUES, ROOTS, HONKS AND MOANS TOUR: Featuring Isaac Hayes and the Cyrus Chestnut Quartet 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 8, at Masonic Temple Detroit. (\$35-\$80. (248) 645-6666

RON BROOKS TRIO: 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

EMU JAZZ ENSEMBLE: With Al Townsend's Couriers 8 p.m. Saturday, April 7, in Pease Auditorium, Ypsilanti. \$10, \$8, \$5 with proceeds going to EMU's Jazz program. (734) 487-2282/(734) 487-1221