

# Let's Go!

## Your Guide to Suburban Entertainment

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**Trinity House Theatre:** *The Queen of Bingo*, presented by Flinders Theater Company and Trinity House Theatre, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 15-16, and 3 p.m. Sunday, March 17, at Trinity House Theatre, 38840 West Six Mile Road, Livonia. \$12, \$10 seniors/students. (313) 538-3739

**Village Players of Birmingham:** Present Neil Simon's *Proposals* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 15-16, 22-23 and 29-30, and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 17 and 24, at the playhouse, 34660 Woodward Ave., Birmingham. \$14. (248) 644-2075

**Ecumenical Institute:** For Jewish-Christian Studies and North Congregational Church of Farmington Hills present *Pilate* 6:30 p.m. Sunday, March 17. North Congregational Church, 36250 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. Free-will offering (248) 557-4522.

**Dearborn Heights Civic Theatre:** *Steel Magnolias* by Robert Harling, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 15-16 and March 22-23; 3 p.m. Sunday, March 17 and March 24. Berwyn Center, 26155 Richardson, Dearborn Heights. \$8. (313) 561-1275.

### YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

**CAPA Jazz Dance Blow Out:** 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, March 16, at Church Hill High School, 8900 Newburgh, north of Joy, Livonia. (734) 523-8841

**Gonitti's Hole-in-the-wall:** *Shirley Holmes: Girl Detective*, 11:30 a.m., lunch with performance, Saturday, March 16 and March 23, at the restaurant, 108 Main St., Northville. \$11.95 children, \$12.95 adults. (248) 349-0522

**Stevenson High School:** *Kiss Me, Kate* 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, March 14-16, at the high school, 33500 Six Mile, Livonia. \$4, \$3 seniors. (734) 523-9400

### COLLEGE THEATER

**Oakland University:** *Lucky Stuff*, musical comedy with book and lyrics by Lynn Ahrens and music by Stephen Flaherty, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, March 21-23, 10 a.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, March 26-27, 2 p.m. Sunday, March 24 and 30 and 7 p.m. Sunday, March 24, Varner Studio Theatre, Oakland University campus, Rochester. (248) 370-3013, (248) 645-6666.

### DINNER THEATER

**Gonitti's Hole-in-the-wall:** *Wild Wild Western Michigan*, 7 p.m. Saturday, March 16, at the restaurant, 108 Main, Northville. \$45. (248) 349-0522 for reservations

### SPECIAL EVENTS

**Ann Arbor Film Festival:** Continues to Sunday, March 17 at the Michigan Theatre in downtown Ann Arbor. Visit [www.aaffilmfest.org](http://www.aaffilmfest.org) or call (734) 995-5356

**Antiques Festival:** 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 15-16, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 17, at The Community House, 380 Bates, Birmingham. \$10. (248) 554-6586

**West Side Singers:** St. Patrick's Day Dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, March 15, at the Burton Manor on Schoolcraft Road, west of Inkster Road, Livonia. Ages 25 and older. Dressy attire. \$6. (734) 981-0909

**Oscar Night American:** Black tie Hollywood style event at the Roostertail in Detroit. Presented by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. Sunday, March 24. Tickets \$135 per person, call (313) 833-7967.

### DINING ADVENTURES

**St. Patrick's Day Cooking Class:** At Andiamo West, 6676 Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills, 5 p.m. Sunday, March 17. Features Jim Pirrami. Tickets \$45 in advance, \$50 at the door. Includes dinner and show. (248) 865-9300

**Schoolcraft College:** Seventh annual Winterfest Beer Tasting, 7-9 p.m. Thursday, March 21. Patrons must be 21 or older. Tickets \$35 include fine cuisine,

up to 50 tastings of assorted beer, door prizes, and complimentary tasting class. Tickets available at Merchant Fine Wine locations or call (734) 462-4422. All tickets are pre-sale only.

### CLASSICAL

**Detroit Symphony Orchestra:** *Perliman and Protege - Izhak Perlman conducts the orchestra* 8 p.m. Thursday, March 14, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, March 16, and 3 p.m. Sunday, March 17, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$20-554. (313) 576-5111. DSO presents readings of new orchestral compositions by four African American composers 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, March 16-17. No charge. For information about reading sessions, call (313) 576-5167

**Plymouth Symphony Orchestra:** Joins the Plymouth Oratorio Society, Eastern Michigan University Choir and Plymouth Counsellors Choral to present the Beethoven's Ninth Symphony 8 p.m. Saturday, March 16, at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 47650 N. Territorial Road, (corner of Beck Road) Plymouth. \$15, seniors and college students, \$12.50. No charge for children in grades K-12. (734) 451-2112

**Redford Civic Symphony:** Presents a cabaret concert 3 p.m. Sunday, March 17, in the Thurston High School Cafeteria, 196 service drive (Schoolcraft), between Beach Daly and Inkster roads. Selections include dances by Rameau and Woodhouse, Irving Berlin's *Symphonic Portrait*, *Old Devil Moon*, and sketches from the opera, *Martha*. Also, a medley of favorite Irish tunes. Featured soloist is orchestra member Lyman Perry who will play a harmonica adaptation of Violin Concerto #2 by Friedrich Selts. No charge. For information, call (313) 535-4119 or visit the Web site at [www.redfordsymphony.com](http://www.redfordsymphony.com)

**Ypsilanti Symphony Orchestra:** 8 p.m. Saturday, March 16, at Townley Auditorium in the Morris Lawrence Building on the bus of Washtenaw Community College. \$5 advance, \$8 at door. (734) 460-4579

### GOSPEL

**Yolanda Adams:** 8 p.m. Saturday, March 16, at the Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway. (313) 237-SING

### AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

**Jack-in-the-Box Productions:** Stage Combat 101 features realistic, safe and practical techniques 7-9 p.m. Sunday, March 17, at First Baptist Church, Birmingham. (248) 644-0550. A free-will offering is taken for musicians.

**Ron Brooks Trio:** 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

**Ron Carter and Carla Cook:** 8 p.m. Friday, March 15, at Orchestra Hall. \$18-\$49. (313) 576-5111

**Los Gatos:** 9 p.m. Wednesday, Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

**Kris Lynn:** 5:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, at Harlequin "Jazz" Cafe, Indian Village, Detroit. No cover. (313) 331-0922

**Matt Michaels Trio:** 8:11-30 p.m. Wednesday, at Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren Road, two blocks east of Middlebelt Road. (734) 762-7756

**Larry Nozoro Jazz Quintet:** Performs 8 p.m. to midnight Monday, at Mitch Housey's Food & Spirits, Livonia. (734) 425-5520 or visit [www.larrynozoro.com](http://www.larrynozoro.com)

**Tony Pope's N'Orleans Six:** 3-6 p.m. Saturday, began Jan. 26, and continues every other week-end through June 1, at Tom's Oyster Bar, Southfield. \$6. (248) 476-2874

### POPS/SWING/ CABARET

**Bird of Paradise Orchestra:** 9 p.m. Monday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. (734) 662-8310 (big band, swing, bop)

### JAZZ/BLUES

**B'Jazz Vespers:** Featuring Chris Collins and jazz from the shamrock shore 7 p.m. Sunday, March 17, at First Baptist Church, Birmingham. (248) 644-0550. A free-will offering is taken for musicians.

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### FOLK/ACOUSTIC

**Larry Nozoro:** 7-10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, at Flying Fish Tavern, 17600 W. 13 Mile, east of Southfield Road. (248) 647-7747

**Ticklepenney:** 8 p.m. Friday, April 5, Trinity House Theatre, 38840 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. \$10. (734) 464-6302

**Mustard's Retreat:** Performs at MAMA's Coffeehouse at the Birmingham Unitarian Church, 38651 N. Woodward, northwest corner of Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, Saturday, March 16. Open mic 7:15 p.m. concert 8 p.m. Admission \$10, seniors and students age 16 and younger, \$8. Refreshments will be available. Donations of nonperishable food items will be accepted for the Lighthouse Food Bank in Pontiac. Singer-songwriter Lucy Webster will also be featured. (248) 657-2380. [www.mamascoffeehouse.org](http://www.mamascoffeehouse.org)

### WORLD MUSIC

**Pat McDunn:** 8-11 p.m. Friday, at Duke Humphries, Rochester Hills. No cover. (248) 601-1100 (Irish)

**Radomilane Polish Folk Dance Ensemble:** 1 p.m. Sunday, March 24, Stitt Post No. 232, 23850 Military, Dearborn Heights. Includes a Polish Easter lunch. \$19: children 12 and under \$13. Reservation deadline is March 12. (734) 427-8640

**Brendan McNulty, Mason and Smith:** St. Patrick's Day entertainment beginning 7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 17, Blarney Bay, 27758 N. Warren, Westland. Performing 2-7 p.m. Sunday, March 17 at Major Tooley's, 43333 Seven Mile Road, Northville.

### CLASSIC/ MODERN DANCE

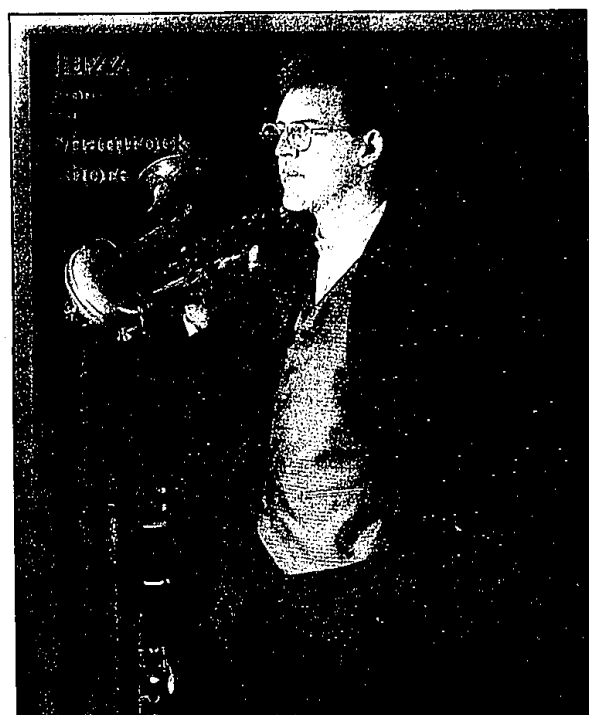
**Clarkston Village Players:** Dance concert featuring Polynesian and Bharata Natyam 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 23, at the Clarkston Village Players. \$15. (248) 625-8811

**Elsanhower Dance Ensemble:** 8 p.m. Friday, March 22, at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, on Hall Road, between Hayes and Garfield on the campus of Macomb Community College. \$22, \$18 seniors. (248) 559-2095

### SOCIAL DANCING

**Moon-Dusters:** Ballroom dancing to live bands, featuring swing, fox trot, waltz, cha-cha and Latin. 8:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, at the Livonia Civic Center, 15218 Farmington Road at Five Mile. \$5. (248) 967-1428

**Line Dance classes:** At the Italian American Cultural Center, 28111 Imperial Dr. south of 12 Mile Road, Warren. Beginner 7-8 p.m. Intermediate 8-9 p.m. Seven week session \$35, call Helen (810) 202-7558 or Diane (586) 573-0668.



**Jazz and shamrocks:** Chris Collins will debut his new CD, *Jazz from the Shamrock Shore*, during his performance at B'Jazz Vespers 6 p.m. Sunday, March 17, at the First Baptist Church, Willits and Bates, Birmingham. B'Jazz Vespers, held in the church sanctuary, includes a non-sectarian, 20-minute worship interlude between jazz sets. Collins is a professional jazz woodwind player who has toured internationally and played with the Detroit Symphony Pops Orchestra, Lou Rawls, Mel Torme and the Phil Collins Big Band.



**Food for thought:** Peggy Gray created this work titled "Thinking of a Pen Name." It is one of dozens of paintings, drawings, photography, colored pencil, watercolor, pastels, and computer art on display in the Artifacts Art Club show at Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive. 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday. For evening hours, call (734) 421-2000

### POETRY/ SPOKEN WORD

**Poetry Lounge:** Join the Open Mic poetry series at Affirmations Lesbian and Gay Community Center, 195 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale. Bring original and/or published poems to read or just come to listen. Poetry Lounge every third Wednesday through April in the Pittman-Puckett Art Gallery at the community center. (248) 398-7105

### COMEDY

**Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase:** Willie Barcena, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, March 21-23, additional show 10:30 p.m. Friday, Saturday, 314 E. Liberty. (734) 936-9080

**Fox Theatre:** Jeff Foxworthy performs stand-up 8 p.m. Thursday, March 21. \$25-\$57.50. (248) 433-1515

**Knock Knock Comedy Club:** J. Scott Homan, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, at Steve's Texas Smoke restaurant, Rochester. (248) 650-8170

**Mark Ridley Comedy Club:** Eddie Gossling, also Ross Amicucci, Thursday-Saturday, March 17-19, at the club 269 East Fourth, Royal Oak. \$6 Thursday, \$12 Friday, \$14 Saturday. (248) 542-9900

**Joey's Comedy Club:** Doug Stanhope, Thursday-Sunday, March 21-24, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 7 p.m. Sunday. Dinner/show package available. Call (313) 584-8885 for details, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn, inside Palsano's.

### MUSEUMS AND TOURS

**Detroit Institute of Arts:** Continues its Friday night programming, at the museum, 5200 Woodward Ave. Free with admission \$4, \$1 children, free for Founders Society members. *Over The Line: The Art and Life of Jacob Lawrence*, a major retrospective featuring 160 of the African American artist's works, continues to Sunday, May 19, \$8, \$5 age 17 and under. Call (313) 833-6499 for exhibition information, (313) 833-7900 for general information or visit the Web site at [www.dia.org](http://www.dia.org)

**Henry Ford Museum:** Parade of puppets, weekends during March. Learn how to make hand puppets, enjoy performances by members of the Detroit Puppeteers Guild. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, \$8.50-\$13.50. (313) 271-1570. New museum hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. When Greenfield Village reopens April 1 the same hours apply. \$7.50-\$14. (313) 271-1620. For IMAX ticket prices and show times call (800) 747-IMAX (4629)

**Wright Museum of African American History:** In the Spirit of Martin: The Living Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. continues to July 28, at the museum, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. (313) 494-5800

### LIVE MUSIC

**Ani DiFranco:** 8 p.m. Saturday, March 16, Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. \$25. (734) 763-TKTS or (248) 645-6666

**Enrique Iglesias:** 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, The Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$32, \$50, \$60. (248) 433-1515

**Great Big Sea:** Saturday, March 16, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. \$25. (248) 645-6666

**Kid Rock:** With Twisted Brown Trucker Band, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 17, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$35.50, (248) 645-6666

**Larry Maxwell:** 8-11 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, at Duke Humphries, Rochester Hills. No cover. (248) 601-1100

**Project Object:** Featuring Ike Willis, 8 p.m., Thursday, March 21, The Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15 (248) 544-3030

**ShoCore Iceicle Ball:** Featuring Karl Denison's Tiny Universe, Blackieclous, Nikka Costa and Saul Williams, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, March 16, State Theatre, Detroit. \$21.25. (248) 645-6666

**Twiztid:** 9 p.m., Friday, March 15, The Royal Oak Theatre, Royal Oak. Tickets \$10 advance, \$17 day of show. All ages. (248) 645-6666