

Let's Go!

Your Guide to Suburban Entertainment

PROFESSIONAL THEATER

Century Theatre: *Late Nite Catechism* 2 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, Detroit. \$24.50-\$37.50. (313) 963-9800

Meadow Brook Theatre: *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* by Tennessee Williams, through Sunday, April 14, Oakland University campus, Rochester Hills. Opening night 6 p.m. Saturday, March 23. Curtain Wednesday-Sunday, show times vary. \$26-\$38. (248) 377-3300.

Detroit Repertory: *Fast Ducks*, a comedy by Elena Hartwell, opens March 28 and continues to May 19, 8:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, 13103 Woodrow Wilson. \$15. (313) 868-1347

Gem Theatre: *Guys on Ice* 2 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday. \$24.50-\$37.50. (313) 963-9800

COMMUNITY THEATER

Northville Christian: Presents *The Messiah, the Miracle* noon and 7 p.m. Friday, March 29, and 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Sunday, March 31, at the church, 41355 Six Mile, one mile west of I-275, Northville. (248) 348-9030

Village Players of Birmingham: Present *Nell Simon's Proposals* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 29-30, at the playhouse, 34660 Woodward Ave., Birmingham. \$14. (248) 644-2075

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

PuppetArt: *Close the Window...* a puppet show based on Yiddish folklore 2 p.m. Saturday, March 30, at Detroit Puppet theater, 25 East Grand River. (313) 963-7777

Marquis Theatre: *Jack and the Beanstalk* continues through April 5. Shows 2:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, and Monday-Friday, April 1-5, 1:35 E. Main St., Northville. \$7.50. (248) 349-8110

COLLEGE THEATER

Hilberry Theatre: *The Importance of Being Earnest* plays in rotating repertory through Thursday, April 4; *William Shakespeare's* *The Tempest* continues in rotating repertory to Thursday, March 28, 4743 Cass Ave., Wayne State University campus, Detroit. \$12-\$20. (313) 577-2972

Oakland University: *Lucky Stiff*, musical comedy with book and lyrics by Lynn Ahrens and music by Stephen Flaherty, 10 a.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, March 26-27, 2 p.m. Sunday, March 24 and 30, Verner State Theatre, Oakland University campus, Rochester. (248) 370-3013.

Schoolcraft College Theatre: Presents Noel Coward's comedy *Blithe Spirit* 6:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 29-30 (dinner theater), and 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 5-6 (performance only), in the Liberal Arts Theatre on campus, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia. \$21 for dinner theater, \$10 performance only. (734) 462-4400, ext. 5457

SPECIAL EVENTS

Listening Room Concert Series: features Mike Korwin with special guests Jeff and Vida 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 5, at Kensington Community Church, 1825 East Square Lake Road, Troy. \$5. (248) 293-0400, Ext. 465

Bunnyville: Fun-filled day of Easter activities, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 30, on the bunny trail at the Detroit Zoo, Intersection of 10 Mile Road and Woodward Ave., just off the I-696 Service Drive, Royal Oak. Crafts, music, games, costumed characters, magician, musical show. Photos with the Easter Bunny available for an additional cost. Admission \$2 per person, ages 2 and older with canned food donation to benefit Gleaners Food Bank. No charge for children under 2. Parking \$4. (248) 541-5835.

BENEFITS

Benefit concert: For the Birmingham Musicale, 8 p.m.



Legend: Ray Charles will perform 8 p.m. Thursday, April 4 at Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison, Detroit. Tickets \$25-\$75, available at Ticketmaster outlets, or call (313) 963-2366. A limited number of special pre-show dinner and VIP seats are available by calling (313) 962-4302.

Friday, April 6, St. Regis Catholic Church, 3691 Lincoln at Lahser, Bloomfield Hills, features the University of Michigan Men's Glee Club. Program will feature many different musical styles and periods including Renaissance motets, opera choruses, and college songs. Tickets \$25, \$35 and \$50. (248) 738-9827.

CLASSICAL

Schoolcraft College: Noon concert series concludes with a performance by pianist Lori Sims Wednesday, April 10 in the Forum Recital Hall on campus, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia. No charge. (734) 462-4403

Vivace Series: The Sonnet Quartet performs the music of Mozart, Hindemith and Brahms 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 7, at Birmingham Temple, 28611 West 12 Mile, between Inkster and Middlebelt, Farmington Hills. \$18, non-members, \$15 seniors/students and Temple members. (248) 788-9338

AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

Bohemians Musicians Club of Greater Detroit: Fifth annual Solo Concerto Competition open for orchestral instruments. Prizes for first, second and third place are \$1,500, \$1,000 and \$500. The first prize winner will perform with a local community orchestra. Contestants must submit a performance tape by Saturday, April 20 to be considered one of the finalists who will perform before a panel of judges. High school and college students (between the ages of 16 and 22) throughout the state of Michigan are eligible. The Bohemians Club, the oldest musicians club in Detroit, is composed of present and retired Detroit Symphony Orchestra members, music teachers and music lovers of all backgrounds. For application form and further information e-mail Herbert Couf, President, The Bohemians at Coufinks@aol.com, or write Couf at 37685 Russell Drive, Farmington Hills, MI 48331.

Paint Creek Scholarship: Looking for talented high school seniors to apply for a \$2,000 scholarship to be used to further art studies. Must reside in Oakland, Wayne or Macomb counties. Deadline is

Friday, April 6, 11 a.m. Applicants must submit 6 slides of their work, a brief description of work, and two letters of recommendation from teachers or counselors. Call (248) 651-4110

POPS/SWING/ CABARET

Bird of Paradise Orchestra: 9 p.m. Monday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

JAZZ/BLUES

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

Leo 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: With guests 8:11-30 p.m. Wednesday, at Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren Road, two blocks east of

Middlebelt Road. April 3, vocalist, Ursula Walker with pianist Buddy Buddson; April 10, Bill Lucas, trumpet; April 17, George Benson, saxophone; April 24, Dennis Tini, piano with vocalist Barbara Ware. \$5 cover with dinner order, \$10 without. (734) 762-7756

Tony Pope's N'Orleans Six: 3-6 p.m. Saturday, continues every other weekend through June 1, at Tom's Oyster Bar, Southfield. \$5. (248) 476-2674

FOLK/ACOUSTIC

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

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

WORLD MUSIC

Indians: The 16-member West African ensemble perform a con-

cert of classical and contemporary African music and dance 2 p.m. Saturday, April 6, in the Henry Ford Museum's Anderson Theater, 20900 Oakwood, Dearborn. No charge for concert. (313) 982-6001

Native West: Lee Blackbear plays Lakota flute noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 30, at the gallery, 863 West Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. (734) 455-8838

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

CLASSIC/ MODERN DANCE

American Ballet Theatre: Perform *Le Corsaire* April 4-7, at the Detroit Opera House. \$17-\$75. (313) 237-SING

Salva Dance Party: With Celia Cruz and Albita. Presented by the University Musical Society, 9 p.m. Saturday, April 6, Eastern Michigan University Convocation Center, 799 N. Hewitt. Ypsilanti. \$35. (734) 764-2538.

SOCIAL DANCING

Rhythm N' Shoes: Weekly ballroom/Latin dance party with DJ, 8:30-10:30 p.m. Thursday, 217 Franklin Road, Bloomfield Hills. \$7. (248) 334-0299

U-M Ballroom Dance Club: Ballroom dance lessons and open dancing 4-10 p.m. Sunday, at the Union Ballroom, Ann Arbor. \$2. (734) 763-6984

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: Leo DuFour, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, additional show 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 314 E. Liberty. (734) 996-9080.

Joey's Comedy Club: Mike Green 8:30 p.m. Thursday March 28, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 29-30. Dinner/show package available. Call (313) 584-8885 for details, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn, inside Palsano's.

Knock Knock Comedy Club: Joe Duncel 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 3, at Steve's Texas Smoke restaurant, Rochester. (248) 650-8170

Mark Ridley's Comedy Club: Ron White, also Jon Ubertor Thursday-Saturday, March 28-30, at the 4 club 269 East Fourth, Royal Oak. \$6 Thursday, \$12 Friday, \$14 Saturday. (248) 542-9900

Second City: Two for Tuesdays — Show and *Osamalam Ding Dong* at 8 p.m. Touring company presents *The Best of Second City*, 8 p.m. Wednesday. *Ilhad It Up to Here* shows 8 & 10:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 8 p.m. Sunday.

Ticket prices and show times vary. \$5-\$20. (313) 965-2222

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) 833-8499 for exhibition information, (313) 833-7900 for general information or visit the Web site at www.dia.org

Henry Ford Museum: Parade of Puppets, weeknights 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, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. \$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)

Meadow Brook Hall: Tours continue through June, 1:30 p.m. Monday-Sunday, and 3:30 p.m. General admission \$8, \$6 seniors/children, discounts for groups of 20 or more. (248) 370-3140 or www.meadowbrookhall.org

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

CALL FOR ARTISTS

Art Dash: Looking for artists to donate work for a fundraising event for Arbor Hospice Thursday, May 30 at St. John's Golf and Conference Center, Plymouth. (248) 348-4980

Art on the Green: The Franklin Arts Council is seeking artists in a variety of media for the 22nd annual Labor Day Fine Arts Show, "Art on the Green," in Franklin Village 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 2. For an application, call (248) 594-3093

ArtServe Michigan: Applications are now available for the 2003 Creative Artist Grant program including creative writing, music, film, video, and inter/multidisciplinary categories. Deadline for entry is Friday, May 17. Application can be downloaded from the library at www.ArtServeMichigan.org. Questions, call Christine Scheffman at (248) 557-8288

Detroit Zoo: Looking for artists to create works of art on 6-foot polar bear fiberglass forms for Polar Palooza, an Arctic celebration to take place this summer. If interested, call Lisa Wisniewski at ArtServe Michigan (248) 557-8288, Ext. 12. The zoo is also looking for sponsors for the 100 fiberglass polar bears to be exhibited in Royal Oak. For more information, call (248) 398-0900 or visit the Web site at www.detroit-zoo.org

Livonia Arts Commission: is looking for artists and crafters for its 26th annual Arts Festival Saturday-Sunday, June 8-9, in Greenmead Historical Park in Livonia. For an application, call the community resources department at (734) 466-2540. Exhibitors are also wanted for the display cases in the Livonia Civic Center Library. Artists or collectors should contact Donna Eno at (734) 261-5870.

VSA arts of Michigan: Looking for professional artists who are interested in sharing their creative processes in dance, drama, literature, music, poetry and the visual arts with students with disabilities. Artists must be interested in learning how to accommodate students with a variety of disabilities. Qualified artists will be trained at the R.A. MacMullan Conference Center at Higgins Lake in Roscommon Saturday-Tuesday, June 15-18. Following training VSA arts of Michigan will provide work for artists in artist-in-residence programs in K-12 schools throughout the



Anteaters exhibit: The Smithsonian traveling exhibition, "Anteaters: Fast Food Specialists," continues on display through Sunday, Sept. 8, in the Wildlife Interpretive Gallery at the Detroit Zoo, 8450 West 10 Mile, Royal Oak. The exhibit explores the anteater's mastery in the art of eating and the great lengths that the animals go to in order to feast on Central and South American ants and termites. For more information, call (313) 398-0903.

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