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Thursday April 18, 2019

Spring Into Belle Isle Family Day



The Sixth Annual *Spring Into Belle Isle Family Day* will take place on Saturday, April 27, at the Dossin Great Lakes Museum. This free, family-oriented event features activities, make and take crafts at the Dossin and a chance to participate in a *Belle Isle Road Rally*.

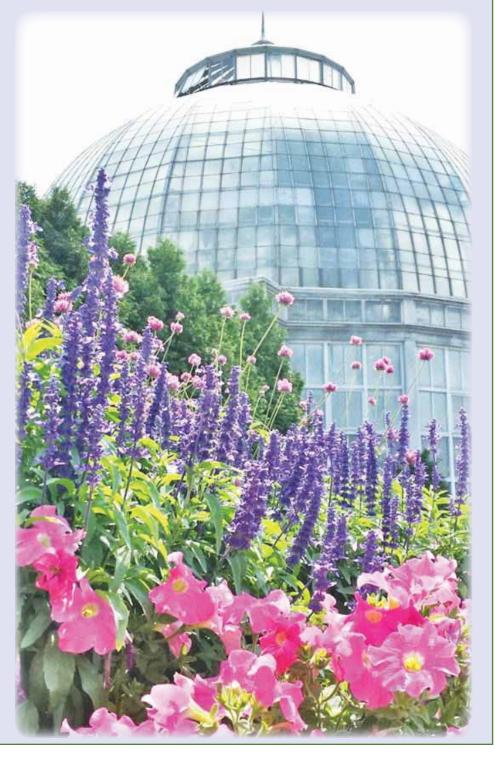
From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., attendees are invited to participate in the *Belle Isle Road Rally*, meeting in the Dossin Museum's Gothic Room as home base. Visit a variety of interesting attractions (such as the Conservancy, pictured) and learn more about the past and present of Belle Isle Park.

Families, couples or small groups of friends can work together to solve clues related to key locations on Belle Isle. Travel to the locations to find answers to a few questions. Unlike a scavenger hunt, the road rally is not timed and relies on earning points.

Groups will not be sent out after 2 p.m., but completed road rally information will be accepted until 4 p.m. The road rally takes a minimum of one hour to complete. There is no cost to participate and all teams will earn a prize.

For information, call the Dossin Museum at (313) 833-5538 or see detroithistorical.org.

The Dossin Great Lakes Museum is located at 100 Strand Drive on Belle Isle. Admission is free for all, all the time.



SHOWINGS



Cranbrook's *Annual Knoll Lecture on Design*, this year titled *To Create* will be delivered at Cranbrook Art Museum by Aldo Bakker (pictured) on Friday, April 26 at 6 p.m.

"The Knoll Lecture Series on Design is truly a gift to Cranbrook that keeps on giving," said Susan R. Ewing, the Maxine and Stuart Frankel Director of Cranbrook Academy of Art. "Each year through the generosity of this gift, we are able to bring in thought leaders from around the world."

Bakker's designs become an expression of ontological questions, where objects become something more like characters with their own sense of being. He claims that by positioning his works as individual characters, he forces his audience to shift its perception.

The lecture will be held in deSalle Auditorium at Cranbrook Art Museum. Free, no preregistration required. For information call (248) 645-3300 or see cranbrookart.edu. Cranbrook Art Academy is located at 39221 Woodward in Bloomfield Hills.



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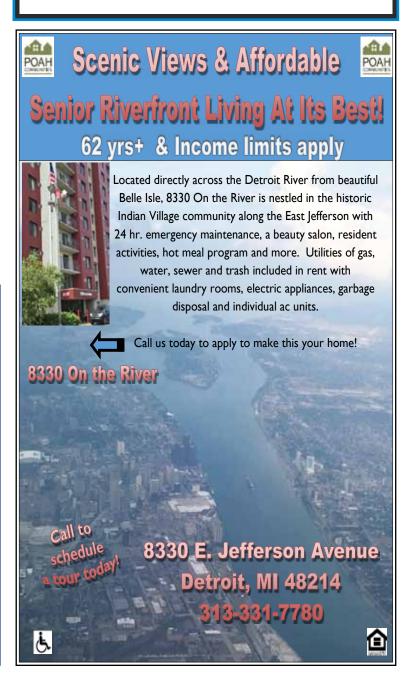
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10:15 AM - Musical Preludes

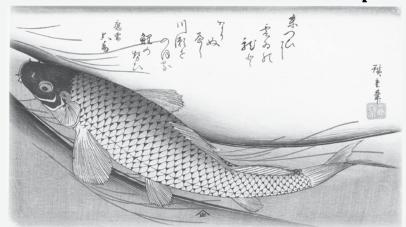
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AROUND THE CITY

Third Annual Koi Festival at Belle Isle Aquarium



The Belle Isle Conservancy will host its *Third Annual Koi Festival* on Saturday, May 4 from 12 p.m. – 4 p.m. at the Belle Isle Aquarium. The event is inspired by Children's Day in Japan, featuring a small-scale outdoor festival with various Japanese influences. The free event invites visitors to participate in several traditional Japanese games, learn origami, watch cultural performances, and enjoy Japanese-inspired food. Created in 2017, this celebratory event continues the Belle Isle Conservancy's legacy of engaging the community with the Koi fish, a species that has been in the Belle Isle Aquarium's collection for decades.

This year's Koi Festival is enhanced by the Belle Isle Conservancy's collaboration with the Detroit chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) and the Grassroots Exchange Network-Japan program (GEN-J). These organizations will provide activities and information related to Japan and its culture, increasing the authenticity of the event.

In addition to the games and crafts, the schedule of events includes the Pewabic Street Team, who will be doing outdoor raku firing, which is inspired by a traditional Japanese firing style in which wares are pulled from the kiln while they are glowing red hot and placed into a trash can filled with sawdust and newspaper. The end results are colorful metallic finishes on the pots and a unique experience for onlookers. Additionally, guests can expect a performance from the Great Lakes Taiko Center, a Japanese-influenced menu at the Fortune Cooking food truck, a myriad of snack options at a Konbini (Japanese convenience store) themed stand, and more!

This event, coordinated by the Belle Isle Conservancy, provides an opportunity for individuals, families, community groups, and park visitors to engage with the heritage of the species of fish that has called the Belle Isle Aquarium home for many years.

The Belle Isle Aquarium is located inside of Belle Isle State Park located at 6925 E. Jefferson, near Mt. Elliott, 4 miles east of Downtown Detroit.



Black Historic Sites Bus Tour Returns



Learn about the history of Negro League Baseball in Detroit in the *Black Historic Sites Bus Tour* departing on Saturday, April 20 at 10:30 a.m. from the Detroit Historical Museum. This year, three new sites have been added to the tour. From Comerica Park, to the former home of Detroit's Stars' Turkey Stearnes, to Historic Hamtramck Stadium, the tour will illuminate the history of black baseball in Detroit.

Baseball scholar Gary Gillette will lead the first half of the tour joined by Joyce Thompson Stearnes and Rosilyn Stearnes-Brown, the daughters of legendary Negro League player Turkey Stearnes. Their stories and insights will explain the historical significance of the sites that recognize the challenges of Negro League baseball. Noted historian Jamon Jordan leads the second half of the tour that takes guests back in time to discover the contributions African Americans have made to local and national history as commemorated with Michigan Historical Markers including Gordon Park. The tour includes lunch at American Coney Island before it wraps up with a stop at the Motown Museum one of Detroit's greatest gems.

The tour leaves from the Detroit Historical Museum at 10:30 a.m. sharp. Advance ticket purchase online is recommended for this special event at detroithistorical.org/shop/tickets/black-historic-sites-bus-tour-april or by contacting Casie Blovsky, Manager of Public Programs, at (313) 833-1801. Tickets may be purchased on the day of the tour if available.

The Detroit Historical Museum, located at 5401 Woodward Ave. (NW corner of Kirby) in Midtown Detroit, is open to the public Tuesday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free. Parking in the Museum's lot is \$9 at all times. For more information, call the museum at (313) 833-1805 or see detroithistorical.org.

SYMPHONIC NEWS



Ruth's Music Notes

Ruth Crystal-Zaromp

The two events of different scopes that I attended last weekend featured DSO musicians. Friday night was spent at Nightnotes, performed at the Hagopian World of Rugs.

Current violinists of the DSO, Kimberly Kalyoanides Kennedy and Adrienne Rönmark, were joined by retired member, cellist Debra Fayroian, mother of Rönmark.

The works performed, by Boccherini, Prokofiev, Martinon, and Kodaly, were rather obscure to the audience, but it didn't overshadow the bright and inspired performance.

This was the season's final event of that intimate series. Its president, Maury Okun, is also the president of the Great Lakes Chamber Festival, whose 26th season will be presented here in June. More details about that during the coming weeks.

The other event was the DSO regular series, whose main features were a ravishing performance of Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 4 by internationally acclaimed pianist Helene Grimaud, and Symphony No. 5.

The next performance of the DSO Classical Series will be taking place on the weekend of April 25, Nicholas McGegan, conductor.

That program will consist primarily of works by Vivaldi. Among those is a concerto for mandolin, a rare piece for that instrument from that era. This will be paired with another work for that instrument by the young English composer Anna Clyne.

We are celebrating Eas-



ter/Passover this weekend. On the following weekend, Fort Street Presbyterian Church's Chorale and Chamber Orchestra will present Gabriel Fauré's Requiem and Ralph Vaughan Williams's Five Mystical Songs, under the baton of conductor Dr. Michael A. Mitchell. This will take place on Saturday, April 27, 3 p.m., at Detroit's historic Fort Street Presbyterian Church, 631 W. Fort.

"We are tremendously excited to perform these two truly beautiful pieces of choral music. Fauré and Vaughan Williams are two of my personal favorites, and their music is sublime," says conductor Mitchell.

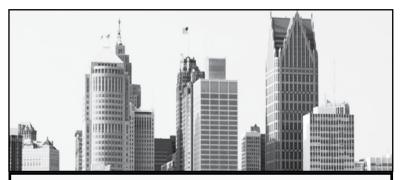
"I hope many people will join us for this afternoon of transcendent beauty."

Soloists for this performance are Angela Theis, soprano, and Stephen Lancaster, baritone.

The Canadian baritone, Stephen Lancaster, earned certificates in piano and voice from The Royal Conservatory of Music before moving to the USA. He has a Doctor of Musical Arts from the University of Michigan.

Lancaster delights in engaging with audiences, performing in concert, opera, and recital. In 2010, he made solo debuts in Carnegie Hall, as guest artist with the Notre Dame Concert Band, and Chiang-Kai Shek Memorial Recital Hall in Taipei, during a recital tour of Taiwan.

Recent engagements include The Bells & Belshazzar's Feast, and song recitals in France and Germany. Soprano Angela Theis (pictured) has captivated



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the attention of international audiences and critics alike, while remaining active in her hometown Detroit area.

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In the 2017-2018 season,

she reprised her role as Barbarina in Michigan Opera Theatre's Le Nozze di Figaro and returned to the Detroit Institute of Arts as the soprano soloist in Richard Einhorn's Voices of Light. Theis is an original member of the Michigan Opera Theatre Studio, having recently finished her second year in the program.



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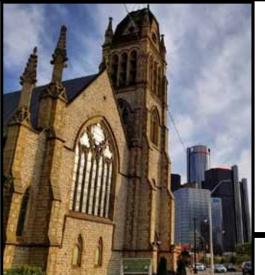
EASTER EVENTS



The 2nd Annual Easter Eggstravaganza at the Easter Family Fun Day happens at the Beacon Parkcade on Saturday, April 20, from 1-5 p.m. Free admission and an eggcellent afternoon of all free activities have been planned with something for everyone, including an egg hunt, make and take crafts, Peep s'mores and a live DJ. The Beacon Parkcade will also be open with more than a dozen free classic arcade games like Air Hockey, NFL Blitz and Spider-man. Food truck fare and non-alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase. For more information, see empoweringmichigan/beaconpark. Beacon Park is located at 1901 Grand River Ave., in Downtown Detroit.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Palmer Woods Music in Homes & Gardens

Palmer Woods Music in Homes final indoor concert, Beyond Classical: OperaSoul with Kisma Jordan (pictured) and Maurice Draughn will take place on Saturday, April 27 at 8 p.m. in a historic home in Detroit's Palmer Woods neighborhood (address will be provided with RSVP/ticket purchase).

The boundaries of classical music will bend, stretch and be re-imagined by two soulful heavenly instruments, voice & harp. Kisma Jordan seamlessly navigates the worlds of classical music and hip-hop simultaneously, featuring American art song and a few works of her own.

Harpist Maurice Draughn is an experienced and versatile musician who has appeared as a soloist with the Michigan Philharmonic and the Detroit Symphony

Civic Orchestra. He has also performed with Aretha Franklin and Ray Charles. The series will continue outdoors in May and June with three concerts being held in gardens at a home in Palmer Woods. A tour of a portion of the home precedes each performance.

Tickets are \$50-\$60, including dinner served during intermission and must be purchased in advance at palmerwoods.org or by calling (313) 891-2514.



Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings: Brass Deconstructed

In a special free community performance, Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings (DCWS) will present great brass masterworks in Brass Deconstructed on Sunday, April 28 at 3 p.m. at the Royal Oak First United Methodist Church. The performance will feature 17 musicians exploring classical brass pieces including Gunther Schuller's *Symphony* for Brass and Percussion.

Said Maury Okun, President of Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings. "Partnering with the Royal Oak First United Methodist Church for a free performance not only gives us an audience we currently do not reach, but also allows us to give

back to the community in a meaningful way."

Several brass works will be featured during the performance, including Toru Takemitsu's Signals from Heaven, Lowell Shaw's Fripperies and Dan Welcher's Castle Creek *Fanfare/Overture*, among others.

Part of the performance will also consist of an in-depth analysis of Schuller's Symphony for Brass and Percussion done in a "play and talk" fashion.

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The Easter Bunny will be at Comerica Park greeting children and taking pregame photos. Several lucky kids will get to participate in a special pregame onfield parade led by PAWS and the Easter Bunny. For tickets and information, ee DetroitTigers.com. Comerica Park is located in the District Detroit.

SPECIAL EVENTS



After four decades of hosting two flea markets each year, Historic Fort Wayne begins a new tradition with an Antiques and Collectibles Show, taking place Saturday and Sunday, April 27 &28. The hours for the event are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday. The show is presented by the Historic Fort Wayne Coalition. Tours of the Historic Fort Wayne complex will be offered each day for \$5 per person. The guided tours will include the Star Fort built in the 1840's and the Spanish-American War Guard House. Admission is free for the show and refreshments will be available for sale.

For more information see historicfortwaynecoalition.com. Historic Fort Wayne is located at 6325 W. Jefferson (at the foot of Livernois) in Southwest Detroit.



The Friends of the Detroit River will hold their annual Spring Detroit River Clean-Up on Saturday, April 27 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

The goal is a large-scale cleanup of the shores and small islands in the Lower Detroit River, and to pick up as much litter as possible along its many dikes and bays

Volunteers are suggested to dress for the weather and protection, bring extra lifejackets (if you have them). The volunteer orientation meeting begins at 9 a.m. at Trenton Rotary Park at the foot of Harrison St., just off West Jefferson. The Trenton boat launch may be used for launching boats on trailers and all boats will be launched after orientation. A picnic lunch will be provided for all who participate following the clean up. For info or to bring a boat, call (734) 676-4626.

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I'm a big fan of the original Saoirse Ronan movie, *Hanna*, from 2011. Truth be told, I've probably watched some, or all of it, at least a dozen times.

Some of it, meaning, there are a couple of scenes that are so cool, I've watched them whenever I had the chance. And, if you're hip to the movie, you've had a lot of chances to catch it.

SyFy and other cable channels have scheduled *Hanna* regularly (see it next Thursday, April 25 on *SyFy*), and it was aired a bunch just before *Amazon* released their reboot streaming series of the same name, the first episode of which was aired free on *Prime* after the Super Bowl.

Here's the basic story of both the original movie, and the Prime re-do: Hanna (played by Esme Creed-Miles, pictured above), is a sixteen year-old girl, raised alone by her father, Erik (Joel Kinnaman) in the wilderness of the Romanian forest. But, she hasn't just been home-schooled in ordinary subjects like reading, 'riting and 'rithmetic. Hanna is very special.

Her father, a highly trained ex-CIA agent, has raised her from infancy to be the perfect assassin. She's an expert in hand-to-hand combat, weapon use, and her IQ

has been gauged at genius level. She has faster reflexes and cognition with better perception than maybe any other human in the world.

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How she came to be this way is the story's big reveal, so I'll just say that it's worth finding out...

The 2011 movie, which I saw on a big screen, has deservedly gained cult status. Saoirse Ronan (pictured, below) was spectacular in it, and the question for me was always, "How come there isn't a sequel?"



Let's face it — sequels are pretty much a given for most action/adventure flicks, especially when a particularly worthy movie like *Hanna* leaves its ending wide open for a follow-up.

I was eager to see the Amazon reboot, and I dove into the Prime stream as soon as the confetti started to fly after the Super Bowl.

At first, I didn't warm up to a 'new' *Hanna*. Saoirse Ronan had been my image of this character for going on a decade and she's hard to replace. But, I'm game to see things through, most times.

I wasn't about to give up after just one hour, and the rest of this Prime series wasn't going to stream until March 29, anyway. There were seven weeks

between this reprise and when the rest of the episodes would be available, so I had time to mull it over. When the last weekend of March rolled around, I half-heartedly clicked over to Prime, and was prepared to give 'usurper' *Hanna* another look-see. So, I watched another episode. Then the next one. And, by Sunday night, March 31, I'd watched every episode. There are only a few Ama-

There are only a few Amazon Prime shows that I will eagerly await. This new version of *Hanna*, is one of them. Filmed throughout Europe with great scenery, top-rate acting and a sympathetic performance by Esme Creed-Miles, the TV *Hanna* rates high on my list of any shows, anywhere.



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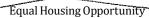
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Come learn why there has been such a huge increase in plant-based eating and find out how it can benefit you.

This year's VegFest has doubled its hall space, widened the aisles, and added seating to give attendees plenty of room to enjoy the event.

VegFest is Michigan's

largest event focused on promoting the health, ethical, and environmental benefits of a plant-based lifestyle.

For more information visit, VegMichigan.org. Showcasing a vast array of vegan food, exhibitors and activities, VegFest also features notable local and national speakers, Hollywood celebrity Alicia Silverstone (pictured) and popular physician Dr. Michael Greger.

Visitors can sample plant-based cuisine from dozens of local restaurants, bakeries, caterers and national brands; and they can explore the tasty, ecofriendly, cruelty-free

and/or healthy products and services of more than 100 exhibitors.

Cooking demonstrations, children's activities, cookbooks, literature and more provide plenty of ways to learn about the hows and whys of a plant-based lifestyle.

The event runs from 10:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. Admission is \$12.50 prepaid (plus a small service fee) at Event-Brite.com, at vegmichigan.org, or \$17 at the door; free for children under 6 and free for VegMichigan members.

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