

THE 1891 FREDONIA OPERA HOUSE (9-11 Church St., Fredonia). Bill Charlap, June 2, 8pm; Julius La Rosa, June 23, 8pm; Mary Stahl & The Jim Calabrese Trio, July 22, 8pm; Glenn Miller Orchestra, Aug 27, 1pm; Guy Davis, Sept 8, 8pm. Ticket prices vary. (679-1891) www.fredopera.org

GAZEBO SERIES (Ellicottville Gazebo, Ellicottville) June 30-Aug 3, Thursdays, 7pm-9pm. Glen Colton, June 30; Liz, Jack & Art, July 6; 23 Skidoo, July 13; The Complete Unknowns (a tribute to Bob Dylan), July 20; Emerald Isle, July 27; String Men, Aug 3. Free. (800-349-9099) www.ellicottvilleny.com

GREAT BLUE HERON MUSIC FESTIVAL (Sherman, NY exit 6 off Rt. 17) July 7-9. Festival features over 25 acts including Donna the Buffalo, The Horse Flies, Slo-mo, The Avett Brothers, The Town Pants, Big Leg Emma, John & Mary and many more. Weekend passes are available. Children under 12 are free. (487-1781) www.greatblueheron.com

GREENFIELDS CONTINUING CARE COMMUNITY ANNUAL CONCERT SERIES (GreenField Manor & Court Gazebo, behind the GreenField Health & Rehab Center, 5949 Broadway, Lancaster) Colleen Williams & Bobby Jones Trio, June 28; The Carnival Kids Steel Orchestra from Lancaster High School, July 12; Terry Buchwald, July 26; Niagara Frontier Fiddle Club, Aug 9; Stone Country & Clay Moden, Aug 23. All concerts begin at

7pm and are weather permitting. (684-8400)

HISTORIC LEWISTON JAZZ FESTIVAL (various locations, Lewiston, NY) Aug 25-27. Acts to include John Bacon, Dan Hull, Andrew Winsler, Tommy Z, The Zone, Babik, Jamie Holka, The U.S. Air Force Big Band and many more. Complete schedule of events, times and locations online. Free. (754-9500) www.lewistonjazz.com.

HSBC ARENA (1 Seymour Knox 111 Plaza, Buffalo). Nickelback, July 8, 7pm. Tickets: \$39.50-\$47.50. Tickets through all Tickets.com outlets, including participating Tops Markets (888-223-6000 or 855-4100) www.hsbcarena.com.

HUMMINGBIRD CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS (1 Front St., Toronto) Radiohead, June 7 & 8; Dennis Deyoung, June 10; Zappa Plays Zappa, June 16; Lani Misalucha & Society of Seven, June 17; Etta James, June 27; Bonnie Raitt, July 10; Tom Jones, July 13; Trey Anastasio & Mike Gordon, July 18; Melissa Etheridge, Aug 12. Times and ticket prices vary. (416-870-8000 or 416-393-7469) www.hummingbirdcentre.com

JUNE IN BUFFALO (University at Buffalo, Lippes Concert Hall and Baird Hall, Amherst Campus) A festival and conference dedicated to composers. June 5-10. (645-2921) www.music.buffalo.edu/juneinbuffalo/2005/index.html

M&T BANK PLAZA EVENT SERIES (One M&T Plaza in Downtown Buffalo) Outdoor concerts take place Mon-Fri, noon-1pm, every week from June 6-Aug 26. Free. (842-5405) www.mandtbank.com/community/plazaevents.cfm

MASTERBA TOUR 2006 (Dome Theater, Niagara Falls, NY) Ministry with The Revolting Cocks and Pitbull Daycare, June 27, 7:30pm, \$27.50-\$30. (www.ticketmaster.com or 1-716-852-5000). (905-481-4444 or 585-232-1900)

MAYVILLE BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL (Lakeside Park, Rt. 394, Mayville) June 17-18; With Cherryholmes, Rhonda Vincent, Richard Green & the Brothers Barton, Tony Trishka & the Ohio Math League, and many more. (753-7464) www.mayvillebluegrassfestival.com

MOLSON CANAL CONCERT SERIES (Gateway Harbor Park, Sweeney St., North Tonawanda). Concert series held every Sat, 5:30-10:30pm, through Sept 2. English Beat with Westbound Train, June 24; Robin Trower with The Mark Winsick Band, July 1; Foghat, July 8; Trick Pony with Julie Dunlap & High Maintenance, July 29; Lowest of The Low, Aug 5; Blue Rodeo with Luke Doucet & Leroy Townes, Aug 12; Tesla, Aug 26; Rusted Root with Zox, Sept 2. Free. www.canalconcerts.com.

MOLSON AMPHITHEATRE (909 Lakeshore Blvd. West, Toronto) Dave Matthews Band, June 13; George Strait, June 14; Mark Knopfler with Emmylou Harris, June 19; Randy Bachman with Burton Cummings, June 23; Nine Inch Nails with Bauhaus, June 24; Dashboard Confessional, June 30; The New Cars with Blondie Road Rage Tour 2006, June 31; Edgfest, July 1; Slayer, Lamb of God, Unholy Alliance Tour, July 14; Taking Back Sunday, Angels & Airwaves, July 5; Great Big Sea, July 8; Ashlee Simpson, July 17; Counting Crows & The Goo Goo Dolls, July 24; Ozzfest, July 25; Blue Rodeo, Aug 23; Ben Harper, Sept 2. Ticket prices vary (www.ticketmaster.com, 852-5000 www.hob.com/venues/concerts/molsonamp)

MUSIC IS ART FESTIVAL (at Chameleonwest Studios, 510 Franklin St.). June 10, 1-11pm; and June 11, 1-10pm. Two-day concert, visual art and performance festival featuring over 70 area bands and performers. Free. (886-3540) www.musicisart.org.

NEW YORK STATE FAIR (New York State Fairgrounds, 581 State Fair Blvd, Syracuse). Grandstand line-up: Keith Urban w/Little Big Town, Aug 25; Carrie Underwood, Aug 28; Toby Keith w/Joe Nichols, Aug 29; Rascal Flatts w/Gary Allan, Aug 30; James Taylor, Aug 31; Gretchen Wilson w/Jason Aldean, Sept 2. Shows start at 7:30pm. Ticket prices vary (www.ticketmaster.com). (315-487-7711) www.nysfair.org

NIAGARA INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL (Niagara-on-the-lake, Ontario) Over fifty concerts in various different venues around the Niagara-on-the-lake region. Performers include Anton Kuerti, Gary Relyea, the Penderecki Quartet, the Moscow Piano Trio, Christopher Newton and members of the Shaw Festival acting ensemble. July 24-Aug 16. Ticket prices vary. (1-877-687-3378) www.niagaramusicfest.com

ROCK N OLDIES WEEKEND (throughout Ellicottville) Sept 15-17, 10am-2am. Lots of music, car show (Sunday), nostalgic dress. (800-349-9099) www.ellicottvilleny.com

ROCK THE FALLS (Seneca Square, outside Seneca Niagara Casino, Niagara Falls) Loverboy & Eddie Money, July 9; The Beach Boys, Aug 20, 4pm. Free. www.senecaniagaracasinocom

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CINEMA UNDER THE STARS

Why drive to the movies when you can walk or bike?

Back for a third year is **Squeaky Wheel's Outdoor Animation Festival**. Both Saturday evening installments feature the work of Emmy award winner and Oscar nominee Michael Sporn, who creates international folk tales with socially conscious messages. The first program will be held at Days Park on July 15, followed by one at Martin Luther King Jr. Park on August 12. Showtime is 8:30pm. Visit www.squeaky.org for more information.

More outdoor films can be found on Wednesday nights at the **Bacchus Summer Film Series**, 56 West Chippewa at Franklin. The films will begin after dark, at approximately 9:30pm, but arrive early if you want to secure a seat. Due to mature content films are not recommended for children. Lineup: *Stripes*, June 7; *Rocky*, June 14; *The Natural*, June 21; *Dr. Strangelove or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Bomb*, June 28; *Taxi Driver*, July 5; *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*, July 12; *Sling Blade*, July 19; *The Color of Money*, July 26; *The Outsiders*, August 2; *Rear Window*, August 9; *Annie Hall*, August 16; *The Silence of the Lambs*, August 23; *A Fish Called Wanda*, August 30; *Donnie Brasco*, September 6; and *Cinema Paradiso*, September 13. Visit www.ultimaterestaurants.com for more information.

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Just because you don't have a car or don't want to see this week's Hollywood monster doesn't mean you can't enjoy cinema al fresco. In July, the popular **Cinema Sotto del Stelle** series returns. Every Friday night in July a different Italian film will be screened in the Elmwood Village lot at 695 Elmwood Avenue, near West Ferry. And it's free, though you'll have to bring your own chair. Films to be screened include the classic *Divorce Italian Style*, July 7; *Moonstruck*, July 14; Roberto Rossellini's influential neorealist drama *Rome, Open City*, July 21, and Danny Aiello as the owner of an Italian restaurant in *Dinner Rush*, July 28. Visit www.elmwoodfilmfestival.com for more information.

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