

IN BRIEF

Smooth Jazz at Sunset taps Jessy J for concert

ST. JOSEPH — Contemporary jazz artist Jessy J headlines the 12th annual Smooth Jazz at Sunset concert on July 12 at the Shadowland Pavilion on Silver Beach, in conjunction with the Krasl Art Fair on the bluff.

Tickets, which go on sale Friday, are \$30 for reserved or \$25 for lawn. Prices go up \$5 the day of the show.

Following her 2008 debut, "Tequila Moon," Jessy J was named Radio and Records "Debut Artist of the Year." She also received the "Contemporary Jazz Song of the Year" award from both R and R and Billboard for the album's title track. Jessy J has since released three more albums, including 2013's "Second Chances," performing with Norman Brown, Michael Bolton and more.

Tickets will be available at the 98.3 The Coast Studios, 580 E. Napier Ave., Benton Harbor, or online at www.smoothjazzat.sunset.com.

Foundry Hall screens 'Michigan Beer Film'

SOUTH HAVEN — "The Michigan Beer Film" will be shown at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Foundry Hall, 422 Eagle St.

Director Kevin Romeo's film examines the dreams and aspirations of some of the entrepreneurs behind the growth in Michigan's craft beer industry. Starting at Greenbush Brewing Co., the documentary travels from Sawyer to Marquette and Grand Rapids to Detroit visiting brewers Scott Sullivan, Ryan Sylvester, Eric Kuhnhehn and Joe Short, to name a few.

The film's soundtrack includes music from Michigan artists The Crane Wives, The Moxie Strings, Dehlah DeWilde and the Lost Boys. Andru Bemis, Josh Cares and Drag Day.

The Two Rivers Coalition will be serving Michigan beer at the event.

Tickets are \$8-\$12.

For more information, call 206-3059 or visit www.foundryhall.org.

Artist schedules talk, seeks volunteers

NILES — Artist Patrick Dougherty, who will be designing and installing a large-scale stick sculpture the first three weeks of April at Fernwood Botanical Garden and Nature Preserve, 13988 Range Line Road, will hold a lecture about the project, titled "Stickwork," at 7 p.m. April 1 in the Ammenberg Auditorium of the University of Notre Dame's Suite Museum of Art.

Dougherty has created more than 250 stickwork sculptures. He will be showing images of his work at the lecture, which is free and open to the public.

He is also seeking volunteers to assist him during the sculpture build. Volunteers will work in four-hour shifts and repeat volunteers are encouraged.

To volunteer, call Judi Jason at 695-6491 or email jjason@fernwoodbotanical.org. For more information, visit www.stickwork.net.

Allegan County Fair lands Lady Antebellum

ALLEGAN — The Grammy Award-winning country music group Lady Antebellum headlines the entertainment lineup at the Allegan County Fair with a Sept. 7 concert with opener Joe Nichols.

Tickets, which go on sale at 10 a.m. Friday, are \$55, \$65 and \$85.

The trio of Hillary Scott, Charles Kelley and Dave Haywood have been radio staples since their 2008 self-titled debut album hit No. 1 on Billboard's Hot Country Albums chart thanks to singles "Love Don't Live Here" and "I Run To You."

The group is perhaps best known for its sophomore effort, 2010's "Need You Now," with the No. 1 singles "American Honey," "Our Kind Of Love," and the title track.

For more information, call 888-673-6501 or visit www.allegancountyfair.com.

LMC Theatre presents 'Once On This Island'

BENTON HARBOR — The Lake Michigan College Theatre Department presents its spring musical, "Once On This Island," at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and April 4-5, and 3 p.m. Sunday and April 6 in the Hanson Theatre of the Lake Michigan College Mendel Center, 2755 E. Napier Ave.

Directed by Calvin McCClinton, the story is told by a troupe of peasants (Brittany Reed, Kendra Wood, James Barton, Bryce McNeil) acting out the story of Ti Moune and Daniel to a young girl (Amaurei Whiteside) frightened by a violent storm.

The island is inhabited by the rich landowners (John LaVigne, Robin Hegenfelder, Michael Glowacki) and the poor peasants (Jolita Barton, Michael Essex) who have to scrape out a living. Ti Moune (Imy Barton) is an orphan girl chosen by the gods (Meghan Pelkey, Robert Foster, Kuanus Handset) for a special fate and saved by Asaka, mother of the Earth (Ana Urhini).

Tickets are \$7, \$5 for seniors, \$4 for groups of 20 or more, and free for students.

For more information, call 927-8876, 927-1221 or visit www.lmcmainstage.org.

SMC Symphonic Brass bands perform concert

DOWAGIAC — The Southwestern Michigan College Symphonic Band and SMC Brass Band, both under the direction of Jon Korzun, performs a Spring Band Concert at 7:30 p.m. Friday at SMC's Dale A. Lyons Building Theatre, 59900 Cherry Grove Road.

The Symphonic Band program includes the Karl King march "Emblem of Freedom," Eric Whitacre's "Sleep, My Child," John Barnes Chance's "Variations on a Korean Folk-song" and the Canadian Brass quintet's arrangement of "La Vergen de la Macarena."

The Brass Band performs Erik Leidzen's Salvation Army march "The Invincible Army," Robert Bernat's "Dunlap's Creek" and John Rutter's "Suite for Brass."

The bands combine for Gustav Holst's "Mars: The Bringer of War" from his suite "The Planets," and Amicare Ponchielli's "Gloap" from "Dance of the Hours."

Admission is free, but good-will donations to benefit SMC's Visual and Performing Arts Department are accepted.

For more information, visit www.swmich.edu.