

**THIS & THAT****PechaKucha Vol. 4**

The **Whirlpool Creatives Association, Wightman and Associates** and **Krasl Art Center** are collaborating to present the fourth installment of a local **PechaKucha Night** at 7 p.m. Thursday at the **Box Factory for the Arts**, 1101 Broad St., St. Joseph.

Conceived by **Astrid Klein** and **Mark Dytham** in Tokyo, PechaKucha Night is an international phenomenon taking place regularly in more than 700 cities around the world, and attended by more than 250,000 people annually.

The key to the success is the simple format in which presenters get 20 images shown for 20 seconds each, giving anyone a chance to present their recent project.

There are 10 confirmed presenters for Thursday's event at the Box Factory. They are **Ann R. Miller, Stacy Gleiss, David Baker, Gloria Weberg, Michael Gross, Navya Mastanah, Stefany Holland, Jerry Anderson, Angela Reichart** and **Mark Strauss**. **Bill LaDitka** hosts.

Doors open at 6 p.m. and beer and wine will be available to purchase. Admission is a \$1 donation. For more information, visit [www.pechakucha.org/cities/st-joseph](http://www.pechakucha.org/cities/st-joseph).

**TV THIS WEEK***What to watch***Super Bowl 50**

**Tonight:** Break out the chicken wings and adult beverages. America's day of gridiron gluttony is finally upon us. The big game pits the **Carolina Panthers** against the **Denver Broncos** in Santa Clara, Calif., as about a gazillion TV viewers look on. Oh, but it's about so much more than football. There's the totally wacky commercials and, of course, the halftime show, which has **Coldplay** performing with **Beyonce** and **Bruno Mars**. It could be golden. 6:30 p.m. CBS.

For more TV highlights, see the four-page insert inside Comics.

**HOT TICKET***Just announced***Albert Lee Band**

British guitarist **Albert Lee**, known for his fingerstyle and hybrid picking technique, performs at 8 p.m. Friday at **The Acorn Theater**, 107 Generations Drive, Three Oaks.

Lee, a five-time consecutive "Guitar Player" magazine "Best Country Guitarist," played in the popular UK band **Heads Hands & Feet**, was a member of **Emmylou Harris' Hot Band**, worked with **Eric Clapton** for five years and recorded with everyone from **Jerry Lee Lewis** to **Earl Scruggs** to **Jackson Browne**.

Lee's song "Country Boy" helped redefine country guitar for a whole generation of players, and would later become a hit for multi-instrumentalist **Ricky Skaggs**.

Lee's band also includes keyboardist **John Thomas** (Bruce Hornsby), bass player **Will MacGregor** (Pretenders) and drummer **Jason Smith**.

Tickets are \$35. For more information, call 756-3879 or visit [www.acorntheater.com](http://www.acorntheater.com).

**PLANNING AHEAD***Mark your calendar now***LIVE auditions**

**Lake Michigan College's** Fine & Performing Arts Department is holding auditions for **LIVE @ The Mendel Center**, its casual, cabaret event slated for March 18 at The Mendel Center, 2755 E. Napier Ave., Benton Harbor.

Both performing arts students and community members with backgrounds in music, comedy, drama, spoken word, storytelling, dance and other talents are welcome to audition at 6 p.m. Feb. 16 in Room MC103 inside The Mendel Center. Those who plan to audition must be high school age or older and should be prepared to perform a segment of their act.

**LIVE @ The Mendel Center** will be directed by LMC alumnus and Midwestern musician **Dan Maxon**. The event will be at 7 p.m. March 18 in the south lobby of The Mendel Center. General admission tickets are \$20 and include hors d'oeuvres. A cash bar also will be available. Tickets must be ordered by March 14.

To order tickets, visit [www.themendelcenter.com](http://www.themendelcenter.com). For questions about auditions, email Maxon at [danmaxon@gmail.com](mailto:danmaxon@gmail.com).