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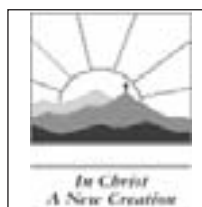
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**The Orinda Arts Council is pleased** to announce its Ninth Annual Visual Arts Competition! Open to all high school students residing or attending schools in Orinda, Lafayette, or Moraga. Artist Reception & Awards March 7th from 4-6pm and Exhibit March 1-28th, Orinda Library Art Gallery. For more information, visit: OrindaArtsCouncil.org.

**The NEW Saint Mary's College Museum of Art presents:** The Veil: Visible and Invisible Spaces, through Mar. 25. For more information visit the museum website at stmarys-ca.edu/museum or call (925) 631-4379. Museum Hours: Wednesdays - Sundays, 11am-4:30pm. Admission: \$5 adults; K-12 graders and members free.

**Moraga Art Gallery's show, "Kaleidoscope"** features the work of Gallery Member & local artist Angelica Samame, painter, as well as guest artist, Karin Lechner, jewelry designer, through March 17. The Gallery is now located at #522 Center St in the Rheem Center, Moraga.

**Lafayette Gallery's winter show "Heartfelt"** will run through March 3. The exhibition features unique sculpture, ceramics, paintings, prints, glasswork, jewelry and photography, created by local artists. The Gallery is located at 50 Lafayette Circle, Lafayette (across from Chow). Hours: Tues-Sat, 11am-5pm; www.lafayette-gallery.net; (925) 284-2788.

**MUSIC**

**Winter Concert - Thursday, March 1, 7:30pm,** Campolindo Performing Arts Center; includes Concert Band and Symphonic Band. The concert is free and open to the public, refreshments will be served after the concert in the cafeteria for guests and artists.

**The annual Welsh American Society of Northern California** 'hymn-sing' festival (Gymnfa Ganu in Welsh) is being held March 4, 2-4pm, at the Lafayette United Methodist Church, 955 Moraga Road, Lafayette. It is not a concert for listeners but rather a 'hymn-sing' with the congregation singing in parts. It is an unique experience followed by tea and Welsh cakes! For further information call Idris Evans (925) 283-0912.

**The Virginia Glee Club will perform at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church,** 66 St Stephen's Drive, Orinda, on Tuesday March 6 at 8pm. The Glee Club, recognized as a leader among American men's choruses, will present a wide range of pieces, from sacred music, Glee Club classics, folk songs and spirituals, to songs of the University of Virginia. Featured composers include Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Franz Biebl, G. F. Handel, P.D.Q. Bach, Leonard Cohen and George Harrison. A freewill offering will be collected. For more information, contact Robert Adams at (925) 254-3770.

**On March 8, 9, and 10 the Lafayette Jazz Festival** will feature local jazz greats along with middle and high School Honor Bands. Tickets: \$10 for Adults and \$5 for Students. Matinee performance of the Honor Jazz Bands will be \$5 General Admission. Contact the Lafayette Chamber at (925) 284-7404 or visit their web site at www.lafayettechamber.org. See article page B2.

**An evening concert of vocal and instrumental classical music** with members of the Contra Costa Performing Arts Society, March 13, 8pm, Grace Presbyterian Church, 2100 Tice Valley Blvd., Walnut Creek. This free concert opens with a quintet by David Diamond featuring flute, violin, viola, cello and piano. Six songs by Schubert for the baritone voice will vary the program, which will conclude with compositions for two pianos by Debussy. www.ccpas.org.

**Voci Women's Vocal Ensemble,** conducted by Jude Navari, presents,

"The River Has Many Voices: Voci's 20th Anniversary Retrospective," featuring contemporary musical gems from Voci's 20-year repertoire, many written especially for Voci, plus the world premiere of a new choral song cycle by Voci Conductor Navari. Also featuring works by Callaway, Clark, Frank, Knell, Larsen, Meckler, and Paulus. Tickets: \$25 General, \$22 Advance; \$20 for groups of 8 or more, free for children under 12. Available at the door or online at www.vocisings.com; Information: (510) 531-8714. Two performances: Saturday, March 24, 8pm, Lake Merritt United Methodist Church, 1330 Lakeshore Ave., Oakland and Sunday, March 25, 4 pm, All Souls Episcopal Parish, 2220 Cedar St., Berkeley.

**THEATER**

**The French Film Festival at Saint Mary's College,** a month long festival, opens on Thursday, March 1, 7pm with Coco Avant Chanel (Coco before Chanel). Anne Fontaine's thoughtful exploration of the pre-fame life of the world's greatest fashion designer focuses on Coco Chanel during the Belle Epoque. The film opens in 1893 with a powerfully grim scene of 10-year-old Coco and her sister unceremoniously dumped at an orphanage and ends around World War I, a few years before the Chanel empire is launched. Free admission for students, \$3 general public. All films subtitled in English. See article page B5.

**Town Hall Theatre presents "Distracted"** from February 25 to March 17; with previews on February 23 and 24. After the matinee performance of Distracted on March 4, Dr. Brian Blaisch, M.D. will lead a talk and Q&A regarding ADHD, autism, and other learning and behavioral problems. Contact Town Hall Theatre Box Office at (925) 283-1557, or purchase online at www.TownHallTheatre.com.

**Shakespeare's TEMPEST (Movie): Prospero** uses his magical powers to control his Machievellian enemies, bringing them to his New World island with Ariel, Miranda, and Caliban. Showings at 7:30 pm on March 4, 5, 6. Soda Activity Center, Saint Mary's College, 1928 St. Mary's Rd., Moraga. Free and open to all.

**With the words "See a Film, See the World,"** the East Bay International Jewish Film Festival comes to the Orinda Theatre for a three day-run beginning on March 16. For the complete line-up or to purchase tickets, go to www.eastbayjewishfilm.org or phone (510) 318- 6456.

**LECTURE & LITERATURE**

**Book Sale -Friends of the Orinda Library -** Thurs. March 1 - 10am to 1pm, Sorting Room and Book Shop (Book Shop is open until 6 pm) Inexpensive good-quality books for all ages and interests. Orinda Library, 24 Orinda Way, Orinda (925)254-1358.

**"Electric Cars are Here" is Leslie Baroody's** subject for First Friday Forum on March 2, at 1:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary of Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church, 49 Knox Drive, Lafayette. Baroody will discuss the history of electric vehicles, plus the new plug-in hybrid, and better electric vehicles now on the market and those soon to arrive in California. Refreshments will be served at 1pm in Fellowship Hall. For further information call (925) 283-8722 or go to www.lopc.org.

**The Friends Corner Book Shop at the Lafayette Library** and Learning Center is having a Half Price Sale on Saturday March 17, 9am-5 pm. The Book Shop is located at the corner of First Street and Golden Gate way in Lafayette.

**KIDS, PARENTS & TEENS**

**Summer Camp Expo 2012, Saturday, March 3rd,** 11am-2pm, 2100 Donald Drive, Moraga. Over 20 featured vendors will be at the Hacienda

de las Flores for a sneak preview of the best summer camps in Moraga. Meet the camp staff, participate in sports demos and activities, and receive an early registration discount on the day of the expo. Free hot dogs, chips and a drink (while supplies last).

**Teens on the Spectrum: Self Sufficiency,** Life Skills and Work, the 6th Annual Transitions Seminar presented by Orion Academy and John F. Kennedy University, Saturday, March 10, 8:30am check-in; seminar: 9am - 4pm. John F. Kennedy University, 100 Ellinwood Way, Pleasant Hill. Cost: one hundred dollars in advance, one hundred fifteen dollars at the door; includes lunch and an excellent resource binder that summarizes all the presentations. Information: (510) 703-4733.

**Mother-Daughter Afternoon Tea** to benefit the mothers and children of Zimbabwe. Hosted by the JF Kapnek Trust. Saturday, March 10, 2-4pm at Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church, 49 Knox Drive, Lafayette. Bring your mom, grandma, aunt, neighbor, or a friend and enjoy a scrumptious Afternoon Tea. Includes a wide selection of sandwiches (including PBJ), desserts, fruit, photo booth, and more. Suggested Donation of \$25 per person. Proceeds benefit the Kapnek Trust's programs supporting orphans and vulnerable children in Zimbabwe. To make a reservation or for more information, go to www.JFKapnekTrust.org or contact Kathi@JFKapnekTrust.org.

**The Hunger Games: On Thursday, March 22,** 6:30-8pm, the Lafayette Library and Learning Center will host an exciting series of Hunger Games to celebrate the movie release the following day. Suzanne Collins' trilogy of books, "The Hunger Games," "Catching Fire," and "Mockingjay," has been wildly popular with young and adult readers alike. Students fifth grade and up are invited to participate and "Tributes" are encouraged to come in costume. For more information, call (925) 385-2280 or visit the web site at ccclib.org. Free of charge.

**Need Money for College? Contra Costa Association of Realtors Scholarship Foundation** is offering scholarships to residents of Central Contra Costa County that have completed one year of full-time college, completed courses with emphasis on real estate, finance and/or business and have a GPA of 3.0 or higher. If you qualify, scholarship awards can range from \$1,500 to \$2,500. Further information and applications may be found on line at www.ccarscholarship.com. Deadline is April 15th.

**2012 Poul Anderson Creative Writing Contest,** open to all students who reside and/or attend high school in Orinda. Entry categories are Science Fiction, Essay/Memoir, Poetry and Short Story. Students may submit one entry in any of the four categories for a total of not more than three entries. Submission deadline is Friday, April 20th at noon. Up to four winners will each be awarded \$250 prizes at the close of this school year, underwritten by the Friends of the Orinda Library.

**OTHER**

**Lovers of laughter will have the opportunity** to enjoy a champagne-filled night of comedy at the landmark Orinda Theatre on Friday, March 2nd. Reception begins at 6:45 featuring full no host bars. Performances will begin at 7:30pm. Master of Ceremonies, local favorite Michael Fender will sing, entertain and introduce each comedian. Discounted performance tickets at \$35.00 may be reserved in advance until March 1st using a major credit card at the Orinda Chamber of Commerce web site, www.orindachamber.org or at First Republic Bank, 224 Brookwood Road. Tickets at the door (if available) will be \$40.00 per person.

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