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LAMORINDA WEEKLY



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ART

Saint Mary's College Museum of Art (SMC | MoA) presents two new exhibitions on view through Dec. 8. "Kal Spelletich: Significance Machines and Purposeful Robots" explores boundaries between humans and machines, integrating spirituality and mysticism through an unlikely form robots. And "New Formalism in Painting and Photography," which presents the collaborative work of artists R&D (Diane Rosenblum and Joe Doyle) expanding the boundaries of painting and photography through digital manipulations. MoA admission is free. For information on programming and hours, visit www.stmarys-ca.edu/museum.

Youth Maker's Expo at the **Lafayette** Art & Wine Festival. New this year to the Lafayette Art & Wine Festival is the Youth Maker's Expo (Y-ME)! Local young entrepreneurs ages 9-16 are encouraged to display and sell their products and services during the festival, Saturday and Sunday,

Sept. 21 and 22. Y-ME will be open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. both days. Entrepreneurs will have the option to attend business and marketing classes before the festival. To apply for free table space visit LafayetteFestival.com/y-me/

24th Annual Lafayette Art & Wine Festival from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 21 and from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 22 in Downtown Lafayette. Four stages featuring over 20 Bay Area cover bands, 300 artist / craft booths, 3 kid zones with activities for all. New this year - The Young Maker's Expo and the Xfinity Pigskin Party. Free admission. Free bike valet + parking at BART. Supports local education. www.lafayettefestival.com

The Moraga Art Gallery announces its end-of-summer show, "Pattern Parade," an exhibit that features stylized portraits of exquisitely-coiffed, fashionably-clad women by Lafayette's Angelica Samame. The show also features guest artist Irene Needoba of Orinda, whose abstract landscapes take
Tolstova to the stage with viewers on unique visual journeys into a fragmented world where rocks may also be waves. The public is cordially invited to a free opening reception from 5 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 17. Come to meet artists and enjoy live music, light snacks and wine. The exhibit runs Aug. 14 through Oct. 19. For more information, visit the gallery's website:

The August exhibit at the art **gallery** at the Orinda Library features wood turning by David Fleisig, and paintings by Chung Ae Kim, Patsy Taylor, and Laurie Mansur. The exhibit runs through Aug. 31. The gallery is open Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 a.m., and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. at 26 Orinda Way on the second

www.moragaartgallery.com

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floor of the library building.

St. Paul's Concert Series welcomes Soprano Marina

Musalliance duo, featuring Anna Kusner on Classical Guitar and Peter Omelchenko on Domra/Mandolin at 7 p.m. on Aug. 24 at 1924 Trinity Ave., Walnut Creek. Renowned throughout Europe and now home in the Bay Area, Tolstova captivates audiences with her passionate, yet angelic voice. At St. Paul's, Tolstova shares the stage with the world class guitar and mandolin duo Musalliance, to bring us an enchanted evening of Baroque, Classical, and Modern favorites. Donation at the door: average \$20, Students \$10 (all are welcome regardless of donation).

Womensing auditions - Sing with a vibrant group under an enthusiastic and energetic conductor. Learn more about music and vocal technique, and perform beautiful concerts. Rehearsals are held Wednesday evenings in Lafayette from 7:15 to 9:45 p.m., beginning on Sept. 4. For more information, please visit www.womensing.org/audition. Auditioning is free.

YMTC presents the epic musical, "Les Miserables," featuring a cast of 40 and a live 30-piece orchestra. Now on stage in El Cerrito, this superb production tells Victor Hugo's classic tale as perfectly as it can be told. The show features talented young actors (teen through college age), including Moraga's Alex Kolm playing Marius. Final performances are at 7 p.m. on Aug. 26 and 27 and at 2 p.m. on Aug. 28. Tickets are \$16-\$32. For more information, visit https://www.ymtcbayarea.org.

Barefoot Chamber Concerts presents Burning River Baroque: 'A Mad, Burning Desire' from 6 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 13, at Parish Hall of St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. Cleveland's cutting-edge baroque ensemble sheds light on the 17th-c. fascination with madness in a concert of mad songs by Henry Purcell and others. Cost: \$15. For more info see http://barefoot chamberconcerts.com or call (510) 220-1195 or email info@barefootchamber

Gold Coast Chamber Players concert, 'Sitkovetsky Plays Schumann' at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 14 at Don Tatzin Community Hall, at the Lafayette Library. 20th Anniversary celebration following the concert at JPG@thebank. Tickets: https://app.arts-people.com/ index.php?actions=4&p=1089. More information: www.gccpmusic.com/concert-1

concerts.com.

Pacific Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of Conductor Lawrence Kohl, performs Beethoven's monumental Symphony #9 at 7:30 pm Sept. 14 at the Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church, 24 Knox, Lafayette. Experience with Beethoven the hero's inner journey from mysterious and humble beginnings to thundering triumph. Tickets are available at www.PacificChamber Orchestra.org.

THEATER

California Shakespeare Theater continues its 2019 summer season with the world premiere of "House of Joy" by Madhuri Shekar as part of their New Classics Initiative; playing through Sept. 1 at the Bruns Amphitheater. "House of Joy" is an action-adventure romance set in a harem at the beginning of the end of the Mughal Empire. Once upon a time and place, in something like 17th century Delhi, an imperial bodyguard risks her life to fight for what's right, turning against everything she's been raised to believe. Additional information and online ticketing are available at www.calshakes.org.

LECTURE & LITERATURE

San Francisco Opera **previews at** 7 **p.m.** at Don Tatzin Community Hall, Lafayette Library and Learning Center, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette. Aug. 28: Romeo and Juliet (Charles Gounod), Speaker Timothy Flynn and Sept. 4: Billy Budd (Benjamin Britten), Speaker Jonathan Khuner. Contact: Silvia Lin at (925) 838-9255 or slininalamo@gmail.com

Moraga author Jo Mele will **hold** a book signing for her memoir The Odd Grandmothers at 3 p.m. on Sept. 8 at Cine Cuvee Wine Bar, 2 Theatre Square, Orinda. She compares the similarities in the lives of her great-great-grandmother, her grandmother, and herself; the odd generations of her maternal family. She follows three strong women from Sicily, to Brooklyn, to San Francisco, and back again to Sicily. An immigration success story you will enjoy. Rsvp: jomele@comcastnet

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9:30 a.m. Congregational Worship 10:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship in the Center for Ministry visit http://www.holyshepherd.org for more details



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