

## IN BRIEF

### McLaughlin brings her jazz set to Box Factory

ST. JOSEPH — Chicago-based jazz vocalist Gina McLaughlin, who splits her time between the Windy City and Three Oaks, performs at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the Box Factory for the Arts, 1101 Broad St.

Known for her mixture of jazz standards, ballads and bossa novas, McLaughlin's 2001 album "Dreamer" features interpretations of jazz classics "I Fall in Love Too Easily," "I Remember You" and "Two for the Road."

McLaughlin, who grew up in Boston, was in art school in Los Angeles when she began singing jazz. She followed a group of theater friends to Chicago in 1986, and has since carved out a career in and around the city.

Tickets are \$10, \$8 for students and seniors, and free for children 12 and younger. Beer and wine will be available for purchase at this concert.

For more information, call 983-3688 or visit [www.boxfactoryforthearts.org](http://www.boxfactoryforthearts.org).

### Susan Ashton cancels Mendel Center show

BENTON HARBOR — The concert featuring contemporary Christian music singer Susan Ashton, scheduled for Oct. 12 at Lake Michigan College Mendel Center, 2755 E. Napier Ave., has been cancelled.

Ashton, who topped the Christian charts throughout the 1990s and released a new EP, "Thief," in March, has been experiencing "health issues with her voice," according to a news release from LMC.

Ticket holders will be contacted by the Mendel Center box office staff to arrange for a ticket exchange or refund.

For more information, call 927-1221.

### World music ensemble An Dro plays Saturday

SOUTH HAVEN — The Celtic-based, world music ensemble An Dro performs at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at First United Methodist Church, 429 Michigan Ave.

The band — which fea-

tures Michele Venegas (fiddle), Jim Spalink (bouzouki/Celtic harp), Fred Willson (mandolin/guitar) and Carolyn Koebel (percussion) — is known for exploring and combining the sounds of traditional music from around the world. It plays everything from traditional Irish melodies and medieval French songs to Breton dance tunes and Arabic rhythms. Saturday's concert will include new original music.

Tickets are \$7-\$15.

For more information, call 206-3059 or visit [www.foundryhall.com](http://www.foundryhall.com).

### 'Tashi's Choice' comes to The Acorn Theater

THREE OAKS — Natasha Tsoutsouris, a writer, performer and rising star in the Chicago storytelling scene, performs her one-woman show "Tashi's Choice" at 8 p.m. Friday at The Acorn Theater, 107 Generations Drive.

"Tashi's Choice" tells the

true adventures of Tsoutsouris as the only Greek-American in a Missouri Synod Lutheran school in a "dinky Midwestern town."

Tickets are \$25.

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

### American Indian band Brulé plays Four Winds

NEW BUFFALO — The American Indian band Brulé performs at 7 p.m. Sunday at Four Winds Ca-

sino's Silver Creek Center, 11111 Wilson Road.

Formed in 1995, Brulé is one of the top-selling American Indian bands with more than 1 million albums sold worldwide.

The band and dancers takes its name from the Lower Brulé Sioux Tribe of South Dakota to which founding member Paul LaRoche belongs.

Tickets are \$15-\$25.

For more information, call 866-494-6371 or visit [www.fourwindscasino.com](http://www.fourwindscasino.com).