

IN BRIEF

'Winter Focus' exhibit opening at The Gallery

BENTON HARBOR — "Winter Focus: A Group Photography Exhibition" opens with a reception 5:30-7:30 p.m. Friday at The Gallery at the Inn at Harbor Shores, 800 Whitwam Drive.

The exhibit features works by Jan Nelson, Richard Hellyer, Robert E. Lee and Brett Maniscalco all centered on the theme of nature and the spirit of winter. Nelson, a St. Joseph native, focuses on close-up botanical features reminiscent of snowflakes. Hellyer, who is primarily a commercial photographer living in Sawyer, shoots stark winter landscapes. Lee, from Grand Rapids, is a photojournalist who captures images in real time. And Maniscalco, from New Buffalo, shoots mostly local scenes that tell a story or evoke a memory.

The exhibition is on display through Feb. 9, 2015. Admission is free.

For more information, call 983-1111 or visit www.innatharborshores.com.

Kristin Hosbein exhibit opening at ARS Gallery

BENTON HARBOR — "Kristin Hosbein: Luminosity" opens with a reception 6-8 p.m. Friday at the ARS Gallery, 147 Fifth St.

Hosbein, a St. Joseph-based artist, is best known for her paintings of life created either plein air or in her studio at the Box Factory for the Arts. She is fascinated with the way light plays on and around forms, and works in contemporary realism rooted in impressionism using mostly oil on canvas. She won an award of excellence at the 2013 Oil Painters of America Salon Plein Air Paint-Out in Petoskey, and is an official U.S. Coast Guard Artist with two works accepted in 2011, and another in the 2014 collection.

The exhibition is on display through Jan. 23, 2015. Admission is free.

For more information, call 208-4409 or visit www.annarussoart.com.

LMC's Madrigal Feast recreates festive fare

BENTON HARBOR — Lake Michigan College Fine and Performing Arts

presents its second annual Madrigal Feast at 6:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday in Grand Upton Hall of LMC's Mendel Center, 2755 E. Napier Ave.

The Madrigal Feast is a fun and festive dinner-theater event that recreates the pomp and charm of a Renaissance England holiday celebration, featuring royal banquet fare, ornate costuming, festive music and lighthearted entertainment. The evening will feature a variety of performances from the LMC Chamber Players, LMC Concert Choir and Vocal Chamber, and LMC Jazz Winds, as well as skits from LMC's theater department. LMC President Robert Harrison and his daughter, Hannah, will participate in the Friday event, while Saturday's performance includes LMC's Interim Vice Presidents of Instruction Christopher Spradlin and Leslie Kellogg.

Tickets are \$30.

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

William Florian plays ode to 1960s folk era

THREE OAKS — William Florian, former lead singer for the The New Christy Minstrels, performs his "Those Were The Days" show at both 4 and 8 p.m. Saturday at The Acorn Theater, 107 Generations Drive.

The concert features songs Florian performed with The New Christy Minstrels, a band he joined in 1977, other 1960s-era folk songs from Peter Paul & Mary, John Denver, Pete Seeger and The Mamas & The Papas, as well as original music from his two solo CDs, "Just For You" and "Those Were The Days."

Tickets are \$25.

For more information, call 756-3879 or visit www.acorntheater.com.

Mackinder performs Waits show at Livery

BENTON HARBOR — Jeremy MacKinder, bassist for the Detroit alt-country band the Deadstring Brothers and formerly of Whitey Morgan & The 78s, performs his Tom Waits tribute show at 8 p.m. Saturday at The Livery, 190 Fifth St.

MacKinder, who also goes by the moniker JD Mack, has long been a staple in the Detroit-area music scene. He also does a weekly Internet radio show on RawRadioX.com called Rustbelt City Limits.

MacKinder's show is part of The Livery's December Darkness event, a day featuring six bourbon barrel aged beers on tap with a limited bottle release.

Tickets are \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door.

For more information, call 925-8760 or visit www.liverybrew.com.

AU ensembles perform 'Sounds of the Season'

BERRIEN SPRINGS — The Andrews University Symphony Orchestra and University Singers, along with conductor Claudio Gonzalez and guest producer/pianist Belford Hernandez present "A Christmas Celebration: Sounds of the Season with a Soulful Touch" at 8 p.m. Saturday at Andrews University's Howard Performing Arts Center, 4160 E. Campus Circle Drive.

The concert opens with the orchestra performing Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky's The Nutcracker Suite, Op. 71, and several Christmas songs with the University

Singers. The second half features "Overture," a piece specifically commissioned for this concert, arranged by Hernandez, and based on George Handel's "Messiah." A jazz trio, under Hernandez's direction, also joins the orchestra for gospel-infused excerpts from Handel's "Messiah."

Tickets are \$15, and \$5 for students.

For more information, call 471-3560, 888-467-6442 or visit howard.andrews.edu.

Southshore Band plays annual holiday concert

BENTON HARBOR — The Southshore Concert Band, conducted by founder Dale L. Reuss, performs its annual holiday concert, "Southshore Christmas Express," at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Lake Michigan College Mendel Center Mainstage Theatre, 2755 E. Napier Ave.

The program includes the Concert Suite from "The Polar Express"; "Rhapsody for Hanukkah"; "The Night before Christmas," with poem narration by Cindy Reuss; selections from the movie "Home Alone"; and Alfred Reed's "Russian Christmas Music." The band also will perform "At Dawn They Slept" in remembrance of the Dec. 7,

1941, attack on Pearl Harbor.

Admission is free. For more information, visit lmcmainstage.org.

ArtsBridge presents 'Sounds of Christmas'

BENTON HARBOR — ArtsBridge presents "Sights and Sounds of Christmas" featuring Lake Effect Winds, David Brock, Jolita Burton and Stephen Jones, at 5 p.m. Sunday at First Presbyterian Church, 475 Green Ave.

Lake Effect Winds, the local woodwind quintet of Jan Street (flute), Ruthann Adams (oboe), Melody Prather (clarinet), DeLain Bomer (French horn) and Lisa Bubar (bassoon), will perform Christmas selections such as "Joy to the World," "Angels We Have Heard on High" and "We Wish You a Merry Christmas."

The second half of the program will feature music by pianist/vocalist David Brock and vocalists Jolita Burton and Stephen Jones. There also will be an exhibit by the Morton Montessori Elementary art students.

Admission is free, but there will be a free-will offering.

For more information, call 925-7075.

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~ Seating at 5:30 ~

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