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ENTERTAINMENT PICKS WITH JEREMY D. BONFIGLIO

'Rent' due at LMC

Calling all thespians! The **Lake Michigan College Theatre Department** is holding open auditions for its fall production of "**Rent**" at 7 p.m. today in the **Hanson Theatre** of LMC's Mendel Center, 2755 E. Napier Ave., Benton Harbor.

The Tony Award-winning rock musical by **Jonathan Larson** tells the story of a group of impoverished young artists struggling to create a life in New York City's East Village.

The musical features eight principle roles – four men and four women – as well as a variety of ensemble parts. Those auditioning will present a one-minute monologue (bring one or one will be provided for you); sing a Broadway musical or rock song with accompaniment (bring music track or sheet music); and learn and dance a short combination.

Auditions are open to community members, but due to adult themes and content, participants must be 16 or older. Performances of "**Rent**" are 7 p.m. Nov. 20-21 at LMC. **Susan Withrow** will direct.

For more information, call 927-8876 or email performingarts@lakemichigancollege.edu.

'Old guys' hit brewery

Who says old guys can't rock? **OGR** (Old Guys Rule) performs at 9 p.m. Friday at **The Livery**, 190 Fifth St., Benton Harbor.

The local band features a lineup of area all-stars with **Jim Schunemann** on bass, **Tom Gillespie** on guitar, **Craig Nitz** on lead vocals, **Chad Harlan** on keys, and **D.J. Hosbein** on drums.

OGR is known for playing, well ... old-time rock 'n' roll, covering hits by Bob Seger, Eric Clapton and The James Gang, as well as more modern rockers by artists such as Kid Rock.

Ingenious Whittler opens.

Admission is free.

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

Brundage at the Box

Guitarist **Stephen Brundage** returns to the stage at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the

Box Factory for the Arts, 1101 Broad St., St. Joseph, for a concert that will span blues and jazz as well as the rich musical traditions of Ireland and the Middle East.

Brundage, who started playing folk music in Detroit-area coffeehouses in the 1960s, includes everything from down-home blues and hot jazz to toe-tapping traditional music and ballads in his sets.

On Saturday, he will be joined by guest accordionist **Julie Urech**, as well as members of the **Jazz Rhythm & Blues Trio**.

Tickets are \$10, \$8 for students and seniors, free for children 12 and younger.

For more information, call 983-3688 or visit www.boxfactoryforthearts.org.

Two violinists

Carla Trynchuk and **Olga Kaler** present a violin recital featuring pieces by **Jean-Marie Leclair**, **Sergei Prokofiev** and **Pablo de Sarasate** at 8:15 p.m. Saturday at Andrews University's **Howard Performing Arts Center**, 4160 E. Campus Circle Drive, Berrien Springs.

Trynchuk is a professor of music at Andrews University and has world-renowned violinist training from The Julliard School of Music, under the tutelage of legends Dorothy DeLay and Hyo Kang.

She recently was awarded the Siegfried H. Horn Award for Excellence in Research and Creative Scholarship at Andrews.

Kaler, meanwhile, is associate professor of violin at DePaul University School of Music in Chicago. She also is a member of the World Orchestra for Peace under director Valery Gergiev, and this summer released the book, "Scale System For Reluctant Scale Enthusiasts."

The duo will be accompanied by **Beilin Han**, a collaborative pianist in both Roosevelt University College of Performing Arts in Chicago and DePaul University School of Music.

Admission is free.

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