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ART

Lafayette artist Marsha Ramp will display her paintings at Town Hall Theater through May 6. Ramp's love of nature is evident in her elegant still life paintings which include a variety of stunning floral arrangements. Her portraits reveal a respect for human nature. Visitors are welcome to view Ramp's paintings before Town Hall performances or most afternoons after 3pm. Admission is free. For more information email marsharamp@comcast.net.

Painter Suzanne D'Arcy is presenting dual art shows in Moraga



for the month of April. At the Moraga Library, 18 plein air paintings representing the "Edges of Our Rural Lands" will be displayed until April 30th. "Kitchen Companions" will be displayed in Terzetto's lobby. Suzanne teaches Fine Art painting at the Academy of Art University, and maintains her studio in Moraga. The reception for both of these shows will be held in the lobby of Terzetto's Restaurant on Saturday evening, April 16th, from 5-7pm. All are welcome.

Moraga Art Gallery's show, Chiaroscuro: Light and Shadow runs through June 4. The gallery is located at 570 Center St in Moraga. For more information, go to www.moragaart-gallery.com or (925)376-5407.

Helen Ann Licht's latest paintings will be at the Orinda Bookstore, 276 Village Square, Orinda during the month of April.

Smyers Glass Open Studio with Glassblowing Demonstrations on

April 28, 29, 30, May 1 from 10am to 5pm, 675 East H Street, Benicia. Visitors to the Smyers Glass studio can view hot glass artists at work creating vases, bowl, goblets and more using the same glassmaking techniques that date back to ancient times. Long metal blowpipes are dipped into hot molten glass drawn from the studio's fiery furnace and shaped into objects of beauty. Plenty of free parking available. This is a free event that is open to the public.

MUSIC

Hear up-tempo numbers and ballads, swing and salsa, instrumental and vocal soloists at the SMC Jazz Band's free spring concert. Under the direction of John Maltester. Thursday, April 14th at 8pm in the Soda Center and Wednesday, May 4th at 1pm in Ferragiaro Quad. Cost: Free.

An Afternoon of Dance from China and Korea Performed in Elaborate Costumes by Members of the Culture to Culture Foundation Friday, April 15th from 1:30-3:00 in the Live Oak Room, Lafayette Community Center, 500 St. Mary's Rd., Lafayette. Audience members will be encouraged to learn and follow along with Tai Chi and Luk Tung Kwen steps to join in the fun. Bring friends and enjoy light refreshments provided by BrightStar Lifecare Services. \$3Members/\$5 Non-Members.

"It Might As Well Be Spring"- Talented keyboard musicians from the Contra Costa Performing Arts Society will be highlighting romantic songs and the gaiety of the spring season. Join us at our splendid Lafayette Library and Learning Center and bring friends. Light refreshments will be served. Friday, April 22 from 1:30-2:30 at Community Hall, Lafayette Library & Learning Center, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette.

Generations In Jazz presents The Big Band Of Rossmoor May 6 for a big band dance and concert at The Veterans Memorial Building. Tickets are

on sale at the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce for \$10. Reserve tickets at 284-7404 or purchase at the door. Free dance lessons are available from 7-8pm with instructor Gail Enright. Then the dance and concert begins at 8pm.

The Lafayette Rotary Club's 18th Annual Concert at the Res. will be held on Saturday May 14 from 11am-2pm. The FREE event showcases our local school music programs that play live music at the beautiful Lafayette Reservoir. Performing will be the Stanley Symphonic Band led by Bob Athayde; the highly acclaimed Acalanes Wind Ensemble led by Norm Dea, the Big Band of Rossmoor led by Mo Levich, and the Bentley School Jazz combo led by Brian Pardo. This year's concert will be held for the last time at the meadow just above the Boat House. Shuttles are available to take you from the main parking lot up to the concert.

THEATER

International Film Showcase Series April Film: FIUGTEN, The Escape, screens at the Orinda Theatre Friday, April 22-Thursday, April 28. Directed by Kathrine Windfield, this Danish thriller is set in 2009. The movie starts with a heart-pounding-kidnapping on the war torn streets of Afghanistan and what follows is anything but predictable. Orinda Theatre Box Office Ticket Pricing: (cash only). General admission: \$10.00 (Online purchase price \$11.00) Senior: \$8.00, age 60 and up.

Get ready for some funk, junk and to shake your trunk! The Bulldog Theater Company is excited to announce the opening of its 2011 musical, *The Wiz*, at the Orinda Intermediate School. Preview shows are April 20 (Wed) and 21 (Thu) at 4:30pm. Two casts perform two shows on April 22 (5pm, 8pm) and April 23 (3pm, 7pm). Tickets are available online or at the door. Advance purchase is recommended for the April 22-23 shows which have reserved seating.

The Wiz is a funky, upbeat version of the perennial Wizard of Oz. Tickets go on sale Monday, April 11th. Visit the OIS website at orindaschools.org/ois for more information.

Come to Performers for Progress, a student run variety show featuring many talented local high school students on April 21st and 22nd at 7:30 in the Miramonte High School Theater. Tickets are \$6 for students and \$12 for adults. This spring, we will be raising money for By Any Means Necessary, an organization that brings arts education to under-served public middle schools. The proceeds will fund a semester-long art program at Urban Promise Academy in Oakland. To learn more visit www.performersfor-progress.com.

LECTURE & LITERATURE

Kindergarten Readiness - Is your child ready for school? The Saklan School is hosting a parent education event on Wednesday, April 20 at 6:30 pm. This event is open to the community. Mona Kafoury, M.Ed., a local educational consultant, former teacher and school administrator will present all aspects of Kindergarten Readiness, including curriculum, trends and culture. This evening is tailored for parents of 4 & 5-year olds, or those soon to be. The event will be held in The Saklan School's Kindergarten room. Please RSVP to admissions@saklan.org or call (925) 376-7900 x16. You can also RSVP on our website, www.saklan.org.

Tuesday, April 26th, 2011 at 7:00pm, Lafayette Physical Therapy, Inc. is hosting an informative talk for the Lamorinda Community. Lisa Gibson, Physical Therapist, DPT, and Certified Active Release Techniques® (ART) Specialist will speak on "Optimizing Sports Performance and Injury Prevention". No cost. Seating is limited, please RSVP to (925) 284-6150 to hold your seat. 3468 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Suite B110, Lafayette.

KIDS, PARENTS & TEENS

Orinda Idol Auditions: May 19-21. Registration materials are available at www.orindaartscouncil.org. Orinda Idol Performance: Sunday, Sept. 11, 2011, 11am-7 pm.

Tri-City Dance FAN FEST at the new Rheem Theater, 350 Park St., Moraga on Friday, April 22, 7:30 - 10:30pm. Open to current Acalanes, Campolindo & Maramonte students. Purchase tickets at the theater or the Lafayette Community Center for \$20. Wear your favorite sports team's gear. (Theme mandatory, no hats) \$2 cash donation at the door will support Lamorinda high school athletic programs. Full details and rules on Facebook & on the tickets.

JF Kapnek 8th Annual 5K/1K Family Fun Run, May 1st, 9am. Bring your friends and family to celebrate our accomplishments in Zimbabwe with the J.F. Kapnek Trust's 8th Annual 5K/1K Family Fun Run on May 1st at Miramonte High School in Orinda. There will be races for children as well as adults along with music of Zimbabwe, children's crafts and activities and a delicious brunch. Proceeds from this event will go to the Trust's efforts to diminish the impact of the HIV/AIDS epidemic on the children and families of Zimbabwe. Registration fee includes brunch and a T-shirt. Register online at www.active.com (keyword: Kapnek) or go to the Trust's website at www.jfkapnek-trust.org for more information.

On Saturday, May 7th, Diablo High School in Concord will host a Contra Costa Countywide summit called "Come to the Table: Change the Food, Change the Future". The goal of this summit is to raise awareness, educate the community and mobilize action to ultimately create a nationwide transformation in the way we feed our children in our schools. Visit www.wellnesscitychallenge.com to learn more. Cost for the full day is

Lamorinda's Religious Services



Get connected.

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Serve others.



Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church
Sunday Worship 9 & 11:00 a.m.
Programs for children & youth

49 Knox Drive | Lafayette | www.LOPC.org | 925-283-8722

St. Anselm's Episcopal Church
A Loving Community

Sunday Services: 8 and 10 AM

Active Youth Program, Sunday School, Nursery Childcare, 10 AM
682 Michael Lane, Lafayette, 284-7420, www.stanselms.ws

ORINDA CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CENTER
24 Orinda Way (next to the Library) - 254-4212

Sunday Service and Sunday School 10 - 11 am
Informal Wednesday Meeting 7:30 - 8:30 pm
Reading Room/Bookstore M - F 11 - 4; Sat 10 - 1

www.christianscienceorinda.org

THE ORINDA COMMUNITY CHURCH
10 Irwin Way, Orinda | 925.254.4906 | www.orindachurch.org

"No matter who you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!"

Join us Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

Celebrate Our Risen Lord
Easter Sunday, April 24, 2011

Maudy Thursday Service

Thursday, April 21, 7pm - Commemorate Jesus' last evening with His followers. Childcare for kids through 5/K.

Easter Sunday Services

9:00am - Easter Egg Hunt for children 18 months-4 yrs.

10:30am - Nursery care available for 2-24 months.



Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church
(925) 376-4800 www.mvpc.today.org
10 Moraga Valley Ln., Moraga

Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church, 433 Moraga Way Orinda



Regular Worship Schedule
8:15 a.m. Traditions Worship Service
9:15 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
9:40 a.m. Education for all ages
10:45 a.m. Celebrations Worship Service
Childcare available for ages 5 and younger

925-254-3422



Sundays at 10:30 am

A NEW, non-denominational Christian church
Veterans Memorial Building 3780 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette

www.refugecommunity.org
925-942-1000

Our Savior's Lutheran (ELCA)
1035 Carol Lane, Lafayette
283-3722 www.oslc.net

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP
8:30 Classic 10:45 Contemporary
PROGRESSIVE. PROACTIVE. PRESENT. We welcome you.

EASTER
April 24
8:00, 9:30
Classic Service
11:00
Contemporary



St Stephen's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH ORINDA

HOLY WEEK

April 17, Palm Sunday

8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. ~ Holy Eucharist and Palm Procession

April 21, Maudy Thursday

6:00 p.m. ~ Dinner in the Parish Hall
7:00 p.m. ~ Commemoration of the First Eucharist and Stripping of the Altar

April 22, Good Friday

12:00 ~ Good Friday Liturgy
The Way of the Cross ~ for children and youth
7:00 p.m. ~ Good Friday Liturgy

April 23, Holy Saturday

7:00 p.m. ~ The Great Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter followed by a festive reception

EASTER

April 24, Easter Sunday

7:30 a.m. ~ Choral Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m. ~ Choral Holy Eucharist, Family Service
Children's Homily
11:00 a.m. ~ Choral Holy Eucharist

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254-3770. www.ststephensorinda.org