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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. 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 viewers

on unique visual journeys into a fragmented world where rocks may also be waves. Come to meet artists and enjoy live music, light snacks and wine. The exhibit runs through Oct. 19. For more information, visit the gallery's website: www.moragaartgallery.com

The Lamorinda Arts Alliance is delighted to present a juried art exhibition "Under Pressure 2", at the Main Street Arts Gallery at 613 Main Street, Martinez, through Oct. 6. All printmaking mediums were considered for exhibition with an emphasis on varied techniques. Intaglio etchings, monotypes, monoprints, solarplate etchings, Chincoll, relief print woodblocks and linoleum art will be represented.

Lamorinda Arts Alliance presents "Abstractly Speaking" by Artist 7 through Sept. 27 at the aRt Cottage, 2238 Mt. Diablo St., Concord. Artist 7 is a group of artists that regularly meet to discuss upcoming shows, museum events

and to discuss new art techniques and media. "Abstractly Speaking" presents their current abstract work, with each artist exploring different directions in the genre. Moved by the plight of children at our southern border, the artists will donate 30% of all their sales to The Legal Service for Children in San Francisco. The aRt Cottage is open Tuesday to Friday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 1 to 5 p.m.

Valley Art Gallery presents "Celebrating 70 Years of Fine Art," a new exhibition by gallery artists on its 70th Anniversary Sept. 21 through Nov. 9. There will be a free reception from 2 to 5 p.m. on Sept. 29. The gallery always features selected works by Gallery Artists on our unique sliding walls. Reflecting a wide range of motifs, styles and media, the show continues our mission to represent the best of the best of more than 100 East Bay artists. www.valleyartgallery.org

The Lamorinda Arts Alliance will hold a one-day

show and sale from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Oct. 5 at the Lafayette Christian Church, just off St. Mary's Road at 584 Glenside Drive, Lafayette. More than two dozen painters, jewelers, ceramists, photographers, card and print-makers, and one virtuoso chocolatier will display media-spanning collections of recent works. The participants, mostly Lamorinda-based, hail also from Alameda, Benicia, Clayton, Walnut Creek, San Ramon, Pacheco, and other nearby towns. Free.

MUSIC

St. Paul's concert series continues with Greg Dufford and Fernanda Nieto Duet at 7 p.m. on Sept. 28 at 1924 Trinity Avenue, Walnut Creek. From San Francisco Opera and Chamber Orchestra to Denver stages, Dufford brings alive the magic of his clarinet artistry. Renowned from Argentina and Colorado, pianist Dr. Fernanda Nieto joins the stage in a vibrant musical performance. Donation at the door: average \$20, Students \$10 (all are welcome regardless of donation). www.facebook.com/stpaulsconcertseries/

Count Basie style Jazz performed by Steve Snyder's Big Band from 4 to 6 p.m. on Oct. 6 at 584 Glenside Drive, Lafayette, Back Courtyard patio. Craft Beers and Wine for purchase. Snacks available. The concert is free with a good will donation to help cover expenses.

OSLC Concert Series presents The Black Cedar Trio (Kris Palmer, flute; Steven Lin, guitar; Isaac Pastor-Chermak, cello) in a performance spanning four centuries of music at 4 p.m. on Oct. 6 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1035 Carol Lane in Lafayette. Compositions by J.S. Bach, Paganini, Piazzolla, and a special commission (2018) Tres Colores by Javier Contreras. Free admission/freewill offering.

Devil Mountain Coffee House announces North Country Blue show at 8 p.m. on Oct. 18. at Mt. Diablo Unitarian Universalist Church 55 Eckley Lane, Walnut Creek. North Country Blue (www.northcountryblue.com) emerged in the fall of 2017 and has quickly established itself as one of California's freshest and finest bluegrass bands. The band combines fresh takes on the traditional bluegrass canon, thoughtful covers of challenging modern material, and a number of startlingly mature and well-crafted originals. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 students and \$5 children. Sliding scale is also available at the door. Tickets are available at: www.eventbrite.com/e/north-country-blue-tickets-72433533649?aff=ebdssbdestsearch

THEATER

Orinda Starlight Village Players present Malcolm Cowler's adaptation of Wilkie Collins' "The Woman in White" through Sept. 26 at the Outdoor Amphitheater, Orinda Community Center Park. For tickets and showtimes, visit <https://www.orsvp.org>. Tickets: \$20 regular, \$10 discount.

Town Hall Theatre opens their milestone 75th "Transformations" 2019-20 Season with Matthew Lopez's comedy "The Legend of Georgia McBride," a celebratory piece about a young man discovering his inner drag queen Sept. 26 through Oct. 19. There will be an opening reception at 8 p.m. on Sept. 28. For tickets and showtimes: BOX OFFICE: (925) 283-1557; www.townhalltheatre.com

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