

### WELCOME TO THE FIREHOUSE ARTS CENTER

The Firehouse Arts Center is dedicated to inspiring passion through the arts. With world-class performing and visual arts, exciting interactive programs for all ages, and a state-of-the-art venue, we combine the sophistication of the culturally rich Bay Area arts landscape with the hospitality and intimacy of our own home town.



### FIREHOUSE ARTS CENTER BOX OFFICE

Tickets may be purchased for events scheduled at both the Firehouse Arts Center and the Amador Theater at the Firehouse Box Office. Group discounts of 15% are offered for most purchases of ten or more tickets made at the same time for the same event. Gift certificates are available online, by phone or at the Box Office.

### **TICKETS ONLINE:**

www.firehousearts.org

### **TICKETS BY PHONE:**

925.931.4848

### **TICKETS at the BOX OFFICE:**

4444 Railroad Avenue, Pleasanton

### **BOX OFFICE HOURS:**

Wed - Fri 12-6 PM • Sat 10 AM - 4 PM

### HARRINGTON GALLERY HOURS

Wed-Fri 12-5 PM • Sat 11 AM - 3 PM & 1 hour prior to performances



The place to go to find out where to shop and dine...

## www.inPleasanton.com

Why shop or dine locally? It's good for our Economy, Environment, and Community.











### **EVENTS LISTED BY GENRE**

BLUES	MUSICAL THEATER
Paul Thorn 7	Little Shop of Horrors
BLUEGRASS	A Chorus Line
Special Consensus	Broadway's Next H!t Musical
CABARET Clairdee	OPERA Livermore Valley Opera presents "Villains & Heroes"
CLASSICAL	Mike Amaral's California Beach Boys
String Fever	In the Spirit of Lennon9
Wyrick Chamber Players14	Gypsy Soul
	December People
COUNTRY Paul Thorn 7	"Happy Birthday Elvis" with
A Cash Country Christmas	Jim Anderson & the Rebels
"Happy Birthday Elvis" with	Paula Cole
Jim Anderson & the Rebels	String Fever
Bo Bice	ROCK
FOLK	Gregg Rolie Band 8
<b>Gypsy Soul</b>	In the Spirit of Lennon
GALLERY	Greg Kihn
Pleasanton Art League	December People
Members' Exhibition 8	"Happy Birthday Elvis" with
Remnants: Recent Works by	Jim Anderson & the Rebels
California Fiber Artists	Ricky Nelson Remembered
Just Add Water & Black on White	String Fever
1,000 Words	Starship
	TEEN/YOUTH
HOLIDAY SHOWS	Creatures of Impulse: Nightmare
Pleasanton Community Concert Band11 Creatures of Impulse: Holiday Shorts12	Youth Festival Holiday Show
December People	Creatures of Impulse: Holiday Shorts 12
A Cash Country Christmas	12th Annual Youth Music Festival 16
IMPROV	Creatures of Impulse: Faceoff
Broadway's Next H!t Musical	Creatures of Impulse:
JAZZ	Tri-Valley High: The Musical
David Lanz 8	THEATER
Gypsy Soul	School House Rock Jr
LECTURE SERIES - Museum on Main	Willy Wonka Jr
An Evening with PT Barnum	Broadway's Next H!t Musical
MAGIC	
Theatre of Illusion	TRIBUTE A Cash Country Christmas
meane of illusion	A Cash Country Christinas

### SEASON OF MUSICALS

### PACIFIC COAST REPERTORY THEATRE

Pacific Coast Repertory Theatre (PCRT) is proud to present the 2013-2014 Season of Musicals. Subscription packages are now available for this exciting upcoming musical series. Purchase the same number of tickets for each of the three shows in the 2013 - 2014 season and receive a 15% subscriber discount. You will also enjoy reduced processing fees, have preferential seating to shows, share in Friends of Subscribers, and have exchange privileges for subscribers only.

With Friends of Subscribers, you can purchase additional tickets to any of the PCRT Season of Musicals performances at a discount of \$3 off per ticket for family and friends by calling or visiting the box office.



### LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS

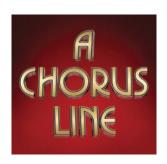
November 8 - 24, 2013

One of the longest-running Off-Broadway shows of all time, this affectionate spoof of 1950s sci-fi movies has become a household name. Charming, tuneful and hilarious, it is the tale of a down-and-out skid row florist who becomes an overnight sensation when he discovers an exotic plant with a mysterious craving for fresh blood. *See page 11* 

### **A CHORUS LINE**

January 24 - February 9, 2014

The second show in this season's series, *A Chorus Line* with music by Marvin Hamlisch and lyrics by Edward Kleban, is from a book by James Kirkwood, Jr. and Nicholas Dante. *A Chorus Line* provides a glimpse into the personalities of the performers and the choreographer as they describe the events that have shaped their lives and influenced their decisions to become dancers. *See page 15* 





### **THE MUSIC MAN**

May 2 - 18, 2014

The Music Man follows fast-talking traveling salesman Harold Hill as he cons the people of River City, lowa into buying instruments and uniforms for a boys' band he vows to organize (despite the fact he doesn't know a trombone from a treble clef). You won't want to miss PCRT's professional and creative rendition of this show! See page 19

Subscription packages are available by phone, at the box office during box office hours or online by selecting "Subscriptions".

### FOR THE FAMILY

## Civic Arts Stage Company

### SCHOOLHOUSE ROCK LIVE! IR.

October 11 - 20, 2013

The Emmy® Award-winning cartoon series is brought to life in one of the most fun,

> energetic musicals ever to hit the stage! Lyrics and Music by Bob Dorough, Dave Frishberg, George Newall, Kathy Mandry, Lynn Ahrens and Tom Yohe. Based on the book by George Keating, Kyle Hall, and Scott Ferguson.

See page 9

### **Roald Dahl's** WILLY WONKAIR. at the Amador Theater

December 13 - 22, 2013

This timeless story is guaranteed to take you on a fantasy ride into the land of pure imagination. Lyrics and Music by Leslie Bricusse & Anthony Newley. Adapted for the stage by Leslie Bricusse and Timothy Allen McDonald. Based on the book Charlie & the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl. See page 13



### THE SECRET GARDEN

February 28 - March 9, 2014

When Mary Lennox, a young orphan, arrives at Misselthwaite Manor, she is spoiled and friendless. As she explores the grounds she discovers a locked, walled garden. A friendly Robin helps her find the key and she begins to tend the garden. The garden becomes her refuge, but inside the walls of the manor lives another secret. Frances Hodgson Burnett - Author Thomas W. Olson - Playwright Hiram Titus - Composer See page 15

### 2013 - 2014 SEASON

### **POP: MIKE AMARAL'S CALIFORNIA BEACH BOYS**

Firehouse Season Kick-Off with "Fun, Fun, Fun" & "Good Vibrations"! Saturday, September 7 • 8 PM \$15 - \$25

Mike Amaral's California Beach Boys is the number one international Beach Boys Tribute Band. They have played from Canada to Arizona, and everywhere else in between. They are known for their attention to detail, period outfits, perfect harmonies and music that will give you those *Good Vibrations* and a whole lot of *Fun, Fun, Fun!* 



# LECTURE: AN EVENING WITH PT BARNUM Museum on Main Ed Kinney Lecture Series Tuesday, September 10 • 7 PM General \$10 Members \$5 Students & Teachers with ID \$3

Credited for coining the phrase, "There is a sucker born every minute", Phineas Taylor Barnum was an American showman, businessman, scamartist, and entertainer. He is also credited for founding the circus that became the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus. Barnum is portrayed by Doug Mishler, author of *A History of the Ringling Brothers Circus* and a Ph.D. in American cultural history.

### COUNTRY/BLUES: PAUL THORN Like taking a six-pack to church! Friday, September 13 • 8 PM \$25 - \$35

Thorn has been pleasing crowds and topping charts for years with his muscular brand of roots music – bluesy, rocking and thoroughly Southern, yet speaking universal truths like nobody's business. A frequent opener for Bonnie Raitt, the Tupelo, Mississippi native makes some of the most emotionally restless yet accessible music of our time. Hold onto your hearts.





## PIANO: DAVID LANZ Beloved "Cristofori's Dream" Pianist Saturday, September 14 • 8 PM \$18 - \$27 Crammy prominated pianist David Lanz h

Grammy-nominated pianist David Lanz has enthralled music lovers around the world for decades with his engaging style and original compositions. He is a contemporary instrumental legend, whose deeply-felt compositions helped forge the New Age music movement over 20 years ago. Countless fans around the world have embraced his music, which is infused with a passion and tranquility much sought after in today's world. An evening of transcendent music with the Maestro!

### ROCK: GREGG ROLIE BAND Journey and Santana Co-Founder Saturday, September 21 • 8 PM \$35 - \$45

Gregg Rolie hits the Firehouse with six of the very best musicians (three are Rock 'n Roll Hall of Famers, including Rolie) playing today. They resurrect and reinvent the sound he helped shape and make famous as Santana's lead singer and keyboard player. Strap yourself in, and get ready to experience the musical and rhythmic freight train that is the Gregg Rolie Band!



## GALLERY: PLEASANTON ART LEAGUE MEMBERS' EXHIBITION AT THE FIREHOUSE

Saturday, September 21 - Saturday, October 19 Reception: Saturday, September 21 • 1- 3 PM

PAL is a group of local artists dedicated to making the visual arts an integral part of the fabric of life in the Tri-Valley Area. Founded in 1969, it encourages the progress

and development of the creative talents of its members, which include artists of all skill levels. This year's exhibit is judged by Southern California watercolor artist Gerald Brommer.



### POP/FOLK/JAZZ: GYPSY SOUL Winner "Best Cover Song" at 2012 Independent Music Awards Friday, October 4 • 8 PM \$14 - \$22

When Irish/French meets Italian/Ukranian, you get Gypsy Soul, a gorgeous mix of rich folk, jazz, pop, and touches of bluegrass. *People Magazine* wrote, "Cilette Swann's voice is haunting and Roman Morykit's musicianship is superb. Their music stirs the soul and moves the spirit." Think: Sheryl Crow and Eva Cassidy meet Coldplay and Fleetwood Mac! Gypsy Soul has recorded 10 albums, a Top 40 music video, and boasts over 1.5 million downloads worldwide. Don't miss this passionate, soul-stirring show!





# POP/ROCK: IN THE SPIRIT OF LENNON Celebrating the Life & Music of John Lennon

Saturday, October 5 • 8 PM \$14 - \$22

See the Sun King's Drew Harrison in his critically acclaimed one-man show celebrating the life and music of John Lennon. In this intimate acoustic evening, Drew goes beyond just sounding like Lennon, and captures the intensity that Lennon brought to the Beatles' music as well as to his own. This show is a must-not-miss for all Lennon and Beatles fans!

### **THEATER:**

Civic Arts Stage Company presents SCHOOL HOUSE ROCK LIVE! JR.
October 11 - 20 \$6 - \$18

Friday • 7:30 PM Saturday • 2 & 7 PM Sunday • 2 PM



The Emmy® Award-winning cartoon series is brought to life in one of the most fun and energetic musicals ever to hit the stage! Schoolhouse Rock Live! Jr. turns grammar, math, social studies and science into a rollicking fun-filled show for the whole family. Don't believe it's possible to make conjunctions exciting? Come and check out the Conjunction Junction and a whole lot more!

### TEEN/YOUTH: CREATURES OF IMPULSE Teen Improv Troupe presents NIGHTMARE **A Live Improvised Horror Show!**

Thursday - Saturday, October 24 - 26 • 7:30 PM Students: \$5 General: \$10

NEW Early Bird pricing online and at the Box Office thru 10/19:

General: \$5 Students: \$2

A live improvised horror show! The award-winning Creatures of Impulse Teen Improv Troupe presents: Nightmare. It's time for another season of horrorbased improv sure to leave you asking, "How'd they do that without a script?" Your suggestions help drive the characters and stories for this un-scripted theatrical horror fest! No show is exactly the same, so

> come and see all three nights.





### **ROCK: GREG KIHN Rock star, Novelist & Radio Personality** Friday & Saturday, November 1 & 2 • 8 PM \$40 - \$50

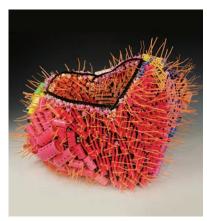
Greg Kihn and his band return to the Firehouse for what is sure to be another sold out show. Kihn brings his long standing, wide spread, and high energy talent to the stage with all his classic hits including the 1983 hit "Jeopardy." Locally, you may hear him on the radio or pick up one of his novels, but here's your chance to see him live at one of the best, up close and comfortable venues in the area!

### **GALLERY: REMNANTS: RECENT WORKS BY CALIFORNIA FIBER ARTISTS**

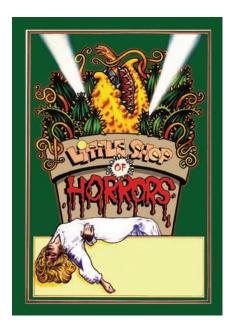
Wednesday, November 6 -Wednesday, December 18

Reception: Thursday, November 7 • 7-9 PM

An eclectic and colorful collection of two- and threedimensional artwork created with a fusion of fiber and other media. Gourds, baskets, sculpture, and quilts will be featured, and the artists utilize dye, paint, foil, thread, wire, and plastic, among other materials, to create works luxuriant in texture, shape, design, and color.



Biq Fat Hairy Deal by Emily Dvorin



### MUSICAL THEATER:

Pacific Coast Repertory Company presents

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS

A Comedy-Horror Rock Musical!

November 8 - 24 \$17 - \$38

Friday & Saturday • 8 PM Sunday • 2 PM

One of the longest-running Off-Broadway shows of all time, this affectionate spoof of 1950s sci-fi movies has become a household name. It is the tale of a down-and-out florist who becomes an overnight sensation when he discovers an exotic plant with a mysterious craving for fresh blood. Soon "Audrey II" grows into an ill-tempered, foul-mouthed, R&B-singing carnivore who offers him

fame and fortune, while playing out her secret agenda.

### **TEEN/YOUTH:**

**MUSIC FESTIVAL: Holiday Variety Show** 

Saturday, November 30 • 2 & 7 PM General: \$12 Students: \$8

NEW Early Bird pricing online and at the Box Office thru 11/23:

General: \$7 Students: \$5

Young performers from singers and musicians to poets and magicians come together to present the Firehouse Arts Center's first holiday themed Youth Music Festival Variety Show. Families will have an amazing time ushering in the holidays with local and captivating young talent. Come welcome in the holidays!





### CONCERT BAND: PLEASANTON COMMUNITY CONCERT BAND

An International Holiday Sunday, December 1 • 2 PM FREE EVENT!

The Pleasanton Community Concert Band will conclude their 2013 season of concerts with "An International Holiday" – selections of seasonal music from people and nations around the world. Join us for an afternoon of holiday celebrations with our local community band.



TEEN/YOUTH: CREATURES OF IMPULSE Teen Improv Troupe presents HOLIDAY SHORTS: A Long Winter's Tale An Interactive Holiday Improv Show! Thursday & Friday, December 5 & 6 • 7:30 PM General: \$10 Students: \$5

NEW Early Bird pricing online and at the Box Office thru 11/30:

General: \$5 Students: \$2

Join Creatures of Impulse for a Firehouse Arts Center holiday tradition! Your suggestions will inspire holiday themed games, scenes, and audience interactions in the first act. The audience will then vote for which short scene Creatures of Impulse will make into an entire improvised "play" in the second act. Produced and presented by the award-winning Creatures of Impulse Teen Improv Troupe.

# HOLIDAY/POP/ROCK: DECEMBER PEOPLE Holiday Rock'n Roll Favorites Friday & Saturday, December 13 & 14 • 8 PM \$30 - \$40

Something classic, something new, something familiar – yet totally original! This high-powered quintet, made up of the finest musicians from some of the world's biggest bands (including Boston's lead guitarist Gary Pihl), presents a family-friendly classic rock Christmas show for all ages. December People plays familiar Holiday songs in the styles of all the top bands of our time.





# COUNTRY TRIBUTE: A CASH COUNTRY CHRISTMAS Featuring JAMES GARNER Saturday, December 21 • 2 & 8 PM \$15 - \$25

He's back – this time with an added twist just in time for the Holiday Season! Along with all of the hits, like *Ring of Fire, I Walk the Line*, and *A Boy Named Sue*, Garner and his band recreate those memorable versions of classic Holiday songs from Johnny's numerous Christmas albums. A fun, toe-tapping trip down memory lane honoring Cash's life and his longtime backing band, the Tennessee Three. A Holiday treat the whole family can enjoy!

**THEATER:** Civic Arts Stage Company presents

Roald Dahl's WILLY WONKA JR.

At the Amador Theater

December 13 - 22 \$6 - \$18

Friday • 7:30 PM Saturday • 2 & 7:30 PM Sunday • 2 PM

Sunday • 2 PM

Delight your sweet tooth with

Delight your sweet tooth with Roald Dahl's timeless story of the world-famous candy man! Willy Wonka's quest to find an heir comes to life in this stage adaptation of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, which



features the songs from the classic family film *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory.* The colorful cast of characters dance to life in this scrumdidilyumptious musical!



# POP/ROCK/COUNTRY: "HAPPY BIRTHDAY ELVIS!" with JIM ANDERSON & THE REBELS "The King" Returns to the Firehouse! Saturday, January 4 • 8 PM Sunday, January 5 • 2 PM \$12 - \$25

From Heartbreak Hotel and Hound Dog, to Don't Be Cruel and Jailhouse Rock, Jim Anderson and The Rebels recreate the sound, the songs, and the memories of Elvis Presley in their acclaimed tribute to the early years (1954-1966). Jim's appearance last year at The Firehouse sold out in record-breaking time, so get your tickets early to make sure you've got a seat for the festivities. Come join with fans around the world on his birthday weekend to say—Happy Birthday, Elvis!

# POP/ROCK: RICKY NELSON REMEMBERED Featuring MATTHEW & GUNNAR NELSON Friday, JANUARY 10 • 8 PM \$40 - \$50

He is the only artist to have a No.1 song, No.1 movie and No.1 TV show in the same week. Life Magazine coined the phrase 'Teen Idol' after him and he is credited with pioneering the country rock sound. Rock and Roll Hall of Famer Ricky Nelson's life and music touched millions. His twin sons, multi-platinum recording artists, Matthew & Gunnar Nelson, relive the music and memories in this multi-media event.



### **BLUEGRASS:** THE SPECIAL CONSENSUS "O Brother, that's Good Bluegrass!" Saturday, January 11 • 8 PM \$12 - \$22

Grammy nominated for Best Bluegrass Album of 2012, TSC is a superb four-man acoustic band in the classic vein, but with more than enough modern sensibilities. The vocals are perfection, the playing as shiny as a newly minted penny, and music like this is the reason people come to love



bluegrass! TSC comes at the music with boundless energy and an aesthetic reverence that tickles the ribs, tugs at the heart, and puts a restless two-step in boots and bare feet!



### **CLASSICAL:** WYRICK CHAMBER PLAYERS San Francisco Symphony Family Quartet Sunday, January 12 • 2 PM \$10 - \$20

This family quartet is composed of Peter Wyrick, Associate Principal cellist of the San Francisco Symphony, Amy Hiraga, violinist with the San Francisco Symphony, violinist Mayumi Hiraga Wyrick, graduate of the New England Conservatory, and cellist Mariko Hiraga Wyrick, a junior at the Juilliard School of Music. Their passion for chamber music was fostered by many years of playing together as a family. Joined by a guest violist, they will perform Beethoven's quintet in A Major and the epic quintet in C Major by Franz Schubert.

### **GALLERY: JUST ADD WATER** & BLACK ON WHITE

Wednesday, January 22 -Wednesday, February 22 Reception: Wednesday, January 22

7-9 PM

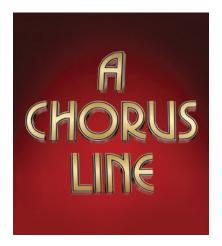
Two distinct yet concurrent exhibits: In the Large Gallery, a colorful display of artwork by four accomplished Bay Area watercolor painters. In the adjacent room, the Old Engine Bay Gallery, striking, high contrast works in black and white will be featured. A collection of works as diverse as day and night.



Transparent Umbrellas by Melanie Lacki



Eye to Eye by Holly Wach



### **MUSICAL THEATER:**

## Pacific Coast Repertory Theatre presents A CHORUS LINE

January 24 - February 9 \$17 - \$38

Friday • 8 PM Saturday • 8 PM Sunday • 2 PM A Chorus Line, with music by Marvin Hamlisch, lyrics by Edward Kleban from a book by James Kirkwood, Jr. and Nicholas Dante, is centered on seventeen Broadway dancers auditioning for spots on a chorus line. The musical is set on the bare stage of a Broadway theatre during an audition for a musical. The story provides a glimpse into the personalities of the performers and the choreographer as they describe the events that have shaped their lives and their decisions to become dancers.

### CABARET: VALENTINE'S DAY WITH THE INCOMPARABLE CLAIRDEE "A Time for Love"

### Friday, February 14 • 8 PM \$15 - \$25

The captivating and acclaimed song stylist brings her inimitable style, artistry, and magnetic stage presence to the Firehouse for a memorable Valentine program celebrating Cupid's favorite day of the year. With her lustrous voice, soulful delivery, and stellar arrangements, pianist Ken French leads the world-class backup trio for a program showcasing her distinctively versatile repertoire. An unforgettable Valentine's Day – with an unforgettable performer.





### THEATER:

Civic Arts Stage Company presents THE SECRET GARDEN

February 28 - March 9 \$6 - \$18

Friday • 7:30 PM Saturday • 2 & 7 PM Sunday • 2 PM

The beloved childhood classic brought to life on stage as an engaging musical with dance and song. Mary Lennox, known as a difficult child, is sent to live at her uncle's estate in England after her parents pass away. At gloomy Misselthwaite Manor Mary befriends her frail cousin Colin, and discovers a mysterious walled garden that has been locked up for years, and brings it back to life with the help of Dickon, the gifted gardener's apprentice.



### GALLERY: 1,000 WORDS Saturday, March 8 - Saturday, April 19 Reception: Wednesday, March 12 • 7-9 PM

It is said that a picture is worth 1,000 words. This group exhibition will feature artists whose works reflect a narrative style. Among those participating will be printmakers from the Monterey Bay Area, Bridget Henry and Ann Altstatt, Pleasanton's own mixed media collage artist Sally Haig, Livermore photographer Kristin Chapman and Bill Sala, a renowned contemporary surrealist residing in Castro Valley. Mark the date March 27th on your calendars for the Literary Response event (see page 21), when poets, musicians, and improv artists will fill in the blanks with their own interpretations.

## TEEN/YOUTH: 12th ANNUAL YOUTH MUSIC FESTIVAL

Saturday, March 15 • 7:30 PM General: \$12 Students: \$8

NEW Early Bird pricing online and at the Box Office thru 3/8:

General: \$7 Students: \$5

Join us for another youth-driven Youth Music Festival! Enjoy an evening of talented performers presenting their best in concert on the Firehouse Theater stage. For more information on auditions for the upcoming festival, contact director Mark Duncanson at <a href="mailto:mduncanson@cityofpleasantonca.gov">mduncanson@cityofpleasantonca.gov</a>.





## CABARET: FAITH PRINCE Tony® Award-Winning Broadway Star Sunday, March 16 • 2 PM \$20 - \$30

Tony® Award-winner Faith Prince dazzles audiences as she moves effortlessly between theatre, concerts, television and movies. Her latest concert, *Have A Little Faith*, is a "smorgasbord" of Faith Prince: past, present and future. From her memorable Broadway triumphs to tales and songs from her early Off-Broadway gems to her latest Broadway roles, the evening sparkles with doses of Faith's quirky trademark humor as well as touching moments filled with pathos. As hostess of this musical evening, Faith Prince quarantees that the best is yet to come!

### TEEN/YOUTH: CREATURES OF IMPULSE Teen Improv Troupe presents FACEOFF The Funniest Competition of the New Year! Thursday- Saturday, March 20 - 22 • 7:30 PM

General: \$10 Students: \$5

NEW Early Bird pricing online and at the Box Office thru 3/15:

General: \$5 Students: \$2

Come and see Creatures of Impulse in the sixth season of their most popular short-form show to date. Creatures of Impulse will share the stage for three nights of scenes, games, and theatrical high-jinks. You are in for three different nights of pure fun with an inter-active format that gives the audience a chance to win prizes! Come to one, two, or indulge your funny-bone in all three!





POP/ROCK: PAULA COLE
"I Don't Want to Wait" Singer/Songwriter
Friday, March 28 • 8 PM \$28 - \$38

Grammy® winner and 7-time Grammy nominee, Paula Cole's emotionally deep and thrilling performances are a trademark, and her fiercely touching, intelligent writing are legend: music, poetry and prose, surrounded by an eclectic, jazz-influenced, heartfelt delivery.

"Paula is an original voice both in what she is saying and how she is saying it." – *Peter Gabriel* 

- "... a feisty poet with a soaring voice and a funky groove."
- Entertainment Weekly

## POP/CLASSICAL/ROCK: STRING FEVER

High Energy Fun with the World's First "Genetically Modified" String Quartet

Friday, April 4 • 8 PM \$18 - \$28

They're in tuxes, but have a kind of wildish look. The instruments are electric violins, viola, cello—and look like modern art, piped and chromed. All world-class musicians, the four Broadbent gents from London take you on a wild ride from Stravinsky to 007 via Beethoven and Stevie Wonder! Or how about Ravel's Bolero played by all four guys on one cello? Seeing is believing!



## COUNTRY: BO BICE Bice Returns to Country Values Saturday, April 5 • 8 PM \$35 - \$45

Bo Bice's move to Nashville several years ago continues to shine through in his music, reflecting his love of country, faith, and family. The 2005 American Idol finalist (runner-up to Carrie Underwood) now has gold records, a chart-topping single, an amazing personal journey, and a passion for supporting medical research as well as our troops and their families with his music. Don't miss this country boy!





## MAGIC: THEATRE OF ILLUSION Prepare to be Charmed & Mystified! Friday, April 11 • 8 PM \$28 - \$38

All the lights, music, and drama of a Broadway production meshed with a rock concert! Named 'Performing Arts Entertainers of the Year' a staggering 6 times, the team of Kevin and Cindy Spencer take the art of illusion to an entirely new level where artistry and theater converge. Working with leading creators, inventors, designers, and builders in the industry, the Spencers feature many original illusions that you simply won't see anywhere else!



It's all improvised and it's all hysterical! Master improvisers gather suggestions from the audience and create a spontaneous evening of music, humor, and laughter. The audience votes for their favorite song and watches as the cast turns it into a full blown improvised musical, complete with memorable characters, witty dialogue, and plot twists galore. If you want to see top-notch, New York-style, professional long-form improv theater, this is the show to see!





## CABARET: JONATHAN PORETZ: "OL' BLUE EYES & FRIENDS"

Salute to Frank Sinatra & the Rat Pack Sunday, April 13 • 2 PM \$15 - \$25

An afternoon of swingin' tunes and romantic croons in a loving salute to the men, the music, and the classy style of 1960's Las Vegas. Backed by his "mini" big band trio, Poretz performs some of the best-loved songs made famous by Frank, Dean, Sammy, Bobby, and Tony, including *Fly Me To the Moon, Luck Be a Lady, My Way*, and many more. Jan Wahl of KCBS and KRON says "...silky smooth and swingin', Jonathan Poretz's voice beautifully wraps around a lyric and lets the song soar!"

TEEN/YOUTH: CREATURES OF IMPULSE Teen Improv Troupe presents TRI-VALLEY HIGH: THE MUSICAL

A Totally Improvised Teen Musical!

Thursday- Saturday, April 24 - 26 • 7:30 PM

General: \$10 Students: \$5

NEW Early Bird pricing online and at the Box Office thru 4/19:

General: \$5 Students: \$2

"Tri-Valley High: The Musical" returns to the Firehouse. Come and see all three nights of the Bay Area's ONLY improvised teen musical. Your suggestions will inspire TRI-VALLEY HIGH MUSICAL



fresh new characters, stories, and improvised songs each night; so no show is ever the same. Don't miss a moment of the award-winning and nationally recognized Creatures of Impulse Teen Improv Troupe.



# MUSICAL THEATER: THE MUSIC MAN Pacific Coast Repertory Company May 2 - 18 \$17 - \$38 Friday & Saturday • 8 PM Sunday • 2 PM

Meredith Willson's *The Music Man* follows fast-talking traveling salesman Harold Hill as he cons the people of River City, lowa into buying instruments and uniforms for a boys' band he vows to organize (despite the fact that he doesn't know a trombone from a treble clef). His plans to skip town with the cash are foiled when he falls for Marian the librarian, who transforms him into a respectable citizen by curtain's fall.



### **GALLERY: FRESH WORKS 2014** Saturday, May 3 - Saturday, June 7

Reception: Saturday, May 3 • 1-3 PM

Sure to be a crowd pleaser, this fourth annual juried exhibition features art in a wide variety of media and style by emerging, mid-career and established artists throughout the greater Bay Area. Prospectus available January 14. DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19. For more information call (925) 931-4849.

### **OPERA: VILLAINS AND HEROES Livermore Valley Opera** Saturday, May 24 • 2PM \$20 - \$45

Hear the arias of some of opera's most famous villains and heroes, along with commentary on their roles, the operas, and style of music. Supertitles tell the story of the villain's evil plot and the hero's gallant deed. The program is designed to appeal to both opera veterans and neophytes alike. Visit the Livermore Valley Opera website for program and cast information. Includes a food and wine reception.





### **CABARET:** SWINGIN' BLUE STARS OF THE USS HORNET Sunday, May 25 • 2 PM \$15 - \$25

Back for their annual visit to the Firehouse and sure to be sold out again! Their saucy and sweet swing music will remind you of the 1940s music that filled USOs during World War II. Go back in time with their memory-rousing renditions of music made popular by groups such as the Andrews Sisters – In the Mood, The Boogie-Woogie Bugle Boy of Company B and more!

## Yes, THAT Starship!

Saturday, May 31 • 8 PM \$45 - \$55

The iconic band plays at the Amador Theater for one night only. Lead singer Mickey Thomas is the soaring voice that propelled Jefferson Starship through the 80s and 90s with such hits as Jane, No Way Out, We Built This City, and Nothing Gonna Stop Us



Now, to name just a few. This rare live performance features Jeff Adams on bass, Mark Abrahamian on guitar, Phil Bennett on keyboards, Darrell Verdusco on drums, and Stephanie Calvert on vocals.

### LITERARY EVENTS

### "UN-PRETTY UP A POEM"

Firehouse Arts Center, Large Studio Wednesday, October 23 • 6:30 - 8:30 PM Residents: \$7 Non-Residents: \$10

Poetry Workshop led by City of Pleasanton's Poet Laureate, Sandra Kay Harrison.

In this workshop participants will learn to reverse engineer a selection of poems, deepening their appreciation for the creative process, then "prettyup" some new poems from scratch. All ages/levels welcome. Register at www.pleasantonfun.com.



2013 Poet Laureate

### **POETRY SPEAKER EVENT**

Firehouse Arts Center Tuesday, February 11 • 7 PM General: \$10 Advance \$12 At the Door

Poet Laureate Sandra Kay Harrison will host a captivating evening featuring a notable speaker in the literary world. Details to follow; for more information call (925) 931-4849.

### 1,000 WORDS – A LITERARY RESPONSE Harrington Gallery

Thursday, March 27 • 6:30 - 8:30 PM Suggested Donation - \$7

City of Pleasanton's Poet Laureate, Sandra Kay Harrison, will host a literary arts event in the Harrington Gallery related to the Exhibition "1,000 Words". Come, view this extraordinary exhibit featuring narrative art, create and share your response —literally!

### "THE THEORY OF POETIC RELATIVE-ITY" Harrington Gallery

Thursday, May 8 • 6:30 - 8:30 PM Suggested Donation - \$7

The "Theory of poetic relative-ity" states that there is at least one poet in every family tree – this is your opportunity, whether you are a poet yourself or not, to share poems written by a member or members of your family, whether currently living or long since deceased. Participants will be able to enjoy the Fresh Works Annual Juried Exhibition during the evening as well.

**AMPLIFIED!** Second Annual **Teen Poetry & Open Mic Event** 



Firehouse Arts Center

Thursday, May 22 • 5:30 - 8:30 PM

**General: \$7 Advance** \$10 At the Door

During an amazing week for teens here at the Firehouse Arts Center. Pleasanton's 2013-14 Teen Poet Laureates will host an open-mic event featuring young performers of spoken word and song.



### **JOIN THE FIREHOUSE ARTS CENTER COMMUNITY**

### **BECOME A VOLUNTEER!**

Join a staff that is passionate about providing our visitors, participants, artists and partners an exceptional experience from the very first moment of contact.

For more information and to fill out an application, visit:

www.firehousearts.org/volunteer

### **GIVE BY MAIL**

To make a tax-deductible donation by check, money order or credit card, send your gift to:

Firehouse Arts Center, City of Pleasanton P.O. Box 520, Pleasanton, CA 94566

### **GIVE ONLINE**

To give online via our secure server visit: www.firehousearts.org/join-us

## YOU ARE PART OF A GREATER COMMUNITY.

Union Bank® believes in the power of partnerships. That's why we partner with communities and organizations to make a positive difference in the places where we work and live. To us, building a healthy community is the most valuable investment of all.

Union Bank is a proud supporter of Firehouse Arts Center.

### Pleasanton - Gateway Plaza

Diana Hock, VP & Branch Manager 6774 Bernal Avenue, Suite 310 Pleasanton, CA 94566 925-484-1178

### Pleasanton

Anne King, VP & Branch Manager 4747 Hopyard Road, Suite E2 Pleasanton, CA 94588 925-460-2740





A R T S C E N T E R  $_{\mbox{\tiny TM}}$  P.O. Box 520, Pleasanton, CA 94566

Your art experience awaits...