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ART

The Valley Art Gallery presents "Wintermission" from Jan. 8 through Feb 2. Wintermission, their show between shows, features selected works by Gallery Artists designed to brighten and warm even the longest winter days. Reflecting a wide range of motifs, styles and media, the show continues a mission to represent the best of the best of more than 100 East Bay artists. www.valleyartgallery.org

The Moraga Art Gallery presents its new show, "A Sense of Place," running from Jan. 9 to March 16 and featuring Wenda Pyman's beguiling landscape photographs, which call to mind the camera work of Ansel Adams and Eliot Porter. Free opening reception from 5 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 12. Use the occasion to meet the artists, enjoy a glass of wine accompanied by light snacks and live music. For more information, visit www.moragaart-gallery.com or call (925) 376-5407.

Bedford Gallery, located in the Leshner Center for the Arts, of-

fers enriching, educational volunteer opportunities. Train to become a docent from 1 to 3:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, Jan. 16, 23, 30 and Feb. 6, 13. Docent volunteering is fun and provides opportunities to make friends, learn about art, and help foster the arts in our community. No prior art knowledge is required. To sign up, contact Carmen Kelly at (925) 295-1416 or kelly@bedfordgallery.org. Learn more at: www.bedfordgallery.org/support/volunteer

MUSIC

Ensemble ARI concert at 7 p.m. on Jan. 12 at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 451 Moraga Way, Orinda, featuring music by Bach, Handel, Cassado and living composers Ruviano and Ahn. Admission: Free; suggested donation: \$20. For more info www.facebook.com/EnsembleAri/

William Feasley, classical guitarist, performs at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Walnut Creek, in Multi-Media Program "Echos of Goya" at 7 p.m. on Jan. 19 at 1924 Trinity Avenue, Walnut Creek. A Classical Gui-

tar Master, Feasley is world-recognized as the featured guitarist in the CBS special, "Eulogy of Segovia." Feasley has been the featured artist for numerous prestigious guitar and music festivals around the world. Donation at the door: average \$20, Students \$10 (all are welcome regardless of donation).

Living Jazz presents "In The Name of Love," the 17th annual musical tribute honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 20 at the Oakland Scottish Rite Center, 1547 Lakeside Dr., Oakland. Tickets: Adv. \$25- \$60; Door: \$30-\$65 (discounts for Children 12 and under). All proceeds will benefit the Living Jazz Children's Project. Livingjazz.org/mlktribute

THEATER

Diablo Ballet opens the new year with the second program of its landmark 25th Season, Balanchine and Beyond, Feb. 1 and 2, at the Del Valle Theatre in Walnut Creek. This program features three ballets including the classic masterpiece Apollo by George Balanchine. Immediately following each perfor-

mance, ticket holders are invited to stay for a post-performance Q&A with our dancers, choreographers and musicians followed by a dessert and coffee reception where you can meet and mingle with the dancers. Single tickets are \$15-\$47. For tickets and showtimes, call (925) 943-SHOW (7469) or visit www.lesherartscenter.org. For more information, visit www.diabloballet.org.

LECTURE & LITERATURE

The World Affairs Book Group will meet at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15 at Orinda Books to read and discuss "Tropic of Chaos: Climate Change and the New Geography of Violence," by Christian Parenti. They meet bi-monthly and welcome new members.

KPFA Radio 94.1 FM presents Ha Jin: The Banished Immortal: A Life of Li Po from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at Berkeley Hillside Club, 2286 Cedar St, Berkeley. Ha Jin will discuss his new book, The Banished Immortal: A Life of Li Po, answer questions & sign books. Hosted by Jack Foley. Cost: \$12 advance, \$15 door. For more

info see <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3918550> or call (510) 967-4495.

Discovering Opera: Jake Heggie's Moby Dick from 1:30 to 3 p.m. on Jan. 31 in the Lafayette Library and Learning Center Arts & Science Room. Moby Dick is an opera based on the classic novel by Herman Melville. Set in 1820, it tells the story of Captain Ahab of the whaling ship Pequod, who after losing one of his legs to a frightening white whale, becomes obsessed with finding and destroying the creature at any cost. Lecturer Bradford Wade will give a guided tour of the opera, with a description of the plot interspersed with musical examples. This lecture is given in conjunction with Opera San Jose's production of Moby Dick, Feb. 9-24. Free.

KIDS, PARENTS & TEENS

Lafayette Youth Commission seventh and eighth grade Tri-City Dance – seventh- and eighth-graders from all three Lamorinda middle schools are invited to the LYC's first Tri-City Dance of the year from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 18 at the Lafayette Community Center. Cost: \$7 per attendee and must be purchased prior to the dance. Dances sell out fast, so reserve your spot today! To reserve your spot or for more info, please visit www.lafayetterec.org or call (925) 284-2232.

OTHER

Lafayette resident, Papa John Kiefer, will, again, offer workshops on "How to Raise Your Own Chickens." Topics will include raising young chicks, laying hen maintenance, and sustainable coop construction. Workshops are free and will be held in Lafayette from 1 to 3:30 pm on Sundays, March 3 and 17. Reservations are required. Contact: chickenspapa-john@gmail.com. Location provided upon registration.

Mt. Diablo Peace & Justice Center presents The Iron Wall - film and discussion with Dalit Baum, Ph.D. from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 17, at Mt. Diablo Peace and Justice Center at Our Savior's Lutheran, 1035 Carol Lane, Lafayette. Baum is an Israeli Peace Activist/Scholar and Director of Economic Activism for Palestine at the AFSC. Reception 6 p.m., film/Q&A 7 p.m. Cost: \$10 in advance, \$15 at door, Students free. For more info see <http://ourpeacecenter.org> or call (925) 933-7850 or email margli@ourpeacecenter.org.

The organizers of Women's March Contra Costa are pleased to announce the 3rd Annual Women's March from 10:30 am to 1 p.m. on Jan. 19 at Civic Park, Walnut Creek. All community members dedicated to preserving human rights, respect for diversity and compassion for our shared humanity and planet are encouraged to participate and join together. The event is non-partisan and all are welcome to attend. RSVP: www.womensmarchcontracosta.org

Lion's Club Crab Feed with silent auction at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19 at the Holy Trinity Cultural Center, 1700 School Street, Moraga. Tickets for adults are \$55; children 6-12 years are \$27.50. To purchase call (925) 283-1841.

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