

WHAT'S happening

'80s punk-persona **Cyndi Lauper** performs at the Hult's Silva Hall in OFAM's Now Hear This summer series. Singing songs off her new DVD *At Last*, Lauper combines covers that range from Edith Piaf to Smokey Robinson, as well as a handful of her own MTV classics, including "Girls Just Want To Have Fun," "Time After Time" and "True Colors." See Friday Calendar.



Eugene's Joint Forces Dance Company presents a weekend of **DanceAbility workshops** (above), followed a week later by outdoor performances and an evening dance party. Visiting DanceAbility teachers lead students through two days of poetic and integrative dance, welcoming people of all abilities and cultures. See Thursday, July 15 Calendar.

John Hiatt (below) celebrates his 18th release, *Beneath the Gruff Exterior*, with a concert at Secret House Vineyards. Recorded in just eight days, *Exterior* documents the sound of Hiatt's long-time collaborators, The Goners. After the studio session, the album was so clean Hiatt said, "I couldn't have fixed a vocal if I wanted to." Check out his superlative songwriting amidst grape vines and greenery. See Thursday, July 22 Calendar.



What can streak like lightning, hover like a helicopter, dive like a falcon and eat its lunch on the fly? A dragonfly, that's what! A West Eugene Wetlands **dragonfly walk** led by Steve Gordon and Cary Kerst teaches biology, ecology and behavior of these ancient insects. Plus, later in the day, Gordon leads another dragonfly-themed walk at Mt. Pisgah. See Saturday Calendar.

Da Vinci Days is a unique, three-day Corvallis festival celebrating art, science and technology through a diverse range of activities and events for all ages. Complete with kinetic sculpture vehicles racing through water, mud and sand; music on three stages; a film festival; street performers; theater and much more, this year's festival, "Nature's Canvas," will be an energetic explosion. Here's **Laura Love** (right), one of the festival headliners. See Friday Calendar.