



summerguide

Wednesday, 7/12

Oregon Bach Festival: "Four Hands Fun," Natalie Forthin and Sandy Holder, noon, Hult Center, free; Haydn's Creation Mass, lecture-concert part 1, 5pm, Hult Center, \$12-\$19; Intimate Evenings: Bach Arias, 8pm, Hult Center, \$26-\$36. (800) 457-1486.

Allison Scull & Victor Martin, 6:30pm, Coiner Park, Cottage Grove. Free.

Thursday, 7/13

Oregon Bach Festival: "Music from the East" Part 2: Mitsuki Dazai Church & Tessa Brinckman, koto & flute, noon, Hult Center, free; Haydn Creation Mass, lecture-concert part 2, 5pm, Hult Center, \$12-\$19; Intimate Evenings: Szymanowski Quartet, Concert 1 (Mozart, Schubert, Szymanowski), 8pm, Hult Center, \$26-\$36. (800) 457-1486.

Dr. Delusion's Illusions, 11:30am, Meadow Park, Spfd. Free.

Friday, 7/14

Oregon Bach Festival: Let's Talk: Szymanowski Quartet, noon, Hult Center, free; Inside Line: Robert Hurwitz, 7pm, Hult Center, free; Choral-orchestral concert: Haydn's Creation Mass and Bach's Orchestral Suite for Flute and Concerto for Oboe and Violin, 8pm, Hult Center. (800) 457-1486. \$15-\$36.



Irene Chigamba
Zimfest
July 20-23

Babe, with subtitles for the hearing impaired, 9pm, Petersen Barn Park. Free.

Bohemia Mining Days, with music from Blues Scoundrels, Windy Ridge and Etoufee, July 14-16, Coiner Park, Cottage Grove. www.bohemiamining-days.org

Saturday, 7/15

Oregon Bach Festival: "Happy Birthday, Mr. Mozart" with storyteller Mark Lewis, 9:30am & 11am, Hult Center, \$5; Intimate Evenings: Szymanowski Quartet, Concert 2 (Mozart, Beethoven, Shostakovich), 8pm, Hult Center, \$26-\$36. (800) 457-1486.

Coupe de Ville, 9:30pm, parking lot at 5th and B Streets, Spfd. Free.

Car show, 8am-4pm, Briggs Middle School, Spfd.; old cars will cruise Main Street from 7pm-10pm. Free.

KMTR Kidjam, a day-long party for kids with bounce

houses, face-painting and more, 10am-4pm, 32nd Street sports complex, Spfd. Free.

Bohemia Mining Days continue. See July 14.

Sunday, 7/16

Oregon Bach Festival: Inside Line: Tom Somerville previews the day's concert, 3pm, Hult Center, free; Choral-orchestral concert: Mozart's Requiem, 4pm, Hult Center, \$15-\$49. (800) 457-1486.

Fifth Element, wind quintet, 6:30pm, Washburne Park, 20th & Agate. 344-0483. Free.

Bohemia Mining Days continue. See July 14.

Tuesday, 7/18

Craig Marquardo, 6:30pm, Island Park, Spfd. Free.

Wednesday, 7/19

Touch a Truck, 5pm-7:30pm, Petersen Barn Community Center. 682-5521. Free.

Kelly Thibadeaux, 6:30pm, Coiner Park, Cottage Grove. Free.

Thursday, 7/20

Mad Science, 11:30am, Douglas Gardens Park, Spfd. Free.

Zimfest The Zimbabwean Music Festival (Zimfest for short) is the North American annual gathering of Zimbabwean music students, teachers, performers and fans. This year's Zimfest takes place at the Oregon Country Fair site, and features Zimbabwean teachers Irene Chigamba, Musekiwa Chingodza, Rujeko Dumbutshena. The festival includes a special opening ceremony, marketplace, late-night parties, marimba jam, workshops, concerts, community conversations and more. July 20-23, OCF site, Veneta. www.zimfest.org or 607-1008. From \$35/day to \$165 for the full festival (including camping).

Vanness Express, 6:30pm, Pavilion Park, Coburg. Free.

Friday, 7/21

Whiteaker Neighborhood River Festival, music, storytelling, Oregon's largest slip-n-slide and more, 4pm-7pm, River House, 301 N. Adams. 682-5329. Free.

Zimfest continues. See July 20.

Saturday, 7/22

Wading Pool Party, 1pm-4pm, Washington Park. Free.

DirtyMac, 1pm-4pm, King Estate MarketPlace. www.kingestate.com Free.

NW Herb Fest Weekend herb conference and festival with healthy food, herbal bazaar, natural surroundings, activities and ten experts leading 25 classes. July 22 & 23, Wise Acres Farm, Pleasant Hill. www.herbaltransitions.com or (541) 736-0164.

Zimfest continues. See July 20.

Sunday, 7/23

Springfield Community Band, 6:30pm, Washburne Park, 20th & Agate. 344-0483. Free.

MarketPlace Antiques Show with folks from the Coburg Antique Mall, 11am-5pm; live music from Craig Einhorn, 1pm-4pm, King Estate MarketPlace. www.kingestate.com

Zimfest continues. See July 20.

NW Herb Fest continues. See July 22.

Tuesday, 7/25

Hip hop dance performance, 6:30pm, Washington/Jefferson Bridge. Free.

Wednesday, 7/26

Cosmo the Balloon Wizard, 11:30am, Meadow Park, Spfd. Free.

Mystery Train, 6:30pm, Coiner Park, Cottage Grove. Free.

Friday, 7/28

The Love Bug, with subtitles for the hearing impaired, 9pm, Washington Park. Free.

Severin Sisters, 6:30pm, Island Park, Spfd. Free.

Saturday, 7/29

Faerieworlds Festival The annual festival of fairy-tastic music, art, multimedia presentations and more people wearing pretty wings than you've ever seen in one place returns to Secret House. This year's featured artists, authors and musicians include Brian and Wendy Froud, Michael Hague, John Renbourn, Trillian Green, Joules Graves, Kan'nal, The Sugar Beets and Tony DiTerlizzi. A portion of the proceeds will benefit Eugene's Family School. July 29 & 30, Secret House Winery, Veneta. www.faerieworlds.com

Wading Pool Party, 1pm-4pm, State Street Park. Free.

Sunday, 7/30

Junction City Polka Band, 6:30pm, Washburne Park, 20th & Agate. 344-0483. Free.

National Night Out, an anti-crime event with police and fire vehicle displays, McGruff the crime dog, police K9 demonstration, carnival, obstacle course and more, 4pm, Island Park, Spfd. 726-3731. Free.

Oregon Berry Bash, 11am-5pm; live music from Laura Kemp, 1pm-4pm, King Estate MarketPlace. www.kingestate.com

Faerieworlds Festival continues. See July 29.

AUG. Tuesday, 8/1

Oregon Festival of American Music The 2006 festival, "Irving Berlin's America," focuses on the prolific



Uri Caine
Oregon Bach Festival
June 30-July 16

composer, who wrote more than 900 songs, 19 musicals and the scores for 18 movies. Berlin's songs are such a part of the public musical consciousness that many people could probably sing his melodies without actually knowing who wrote them — "White Christmas," anybody? The 15th annual OFAM presents concerts, films, speakers and more in the spirit of this great American composer. The whole thing kicks off tonight with "George Bellows' America," an event featuring the work of the artist OFAM organizers chose to visually represent this year's festival. 6pm, Jaqua Concert Hall; events continue through Aug. 12. www.ofam.org or 434-7000.

Wednesday, 8/2

Destination DJ, 11:30am, Douglas Gardens Park, Spfd. Free.

Juliet Wyers, 6:30pm, Coiner Park, Cottage Grove. Free.

Thursday, 8/3

Oregon Festival of American Music: *The Cocoanuts*, 10am, Shedd Recital Hall, free; *Alexander's Ragtime Band*, 1:30pm, Shedd Recital Hall, free; "Berlin's Songs," lecture by Robert Kimball, 4:30pm, Shedd Recital Hall, free; "Cheek to Cheek," opening gala concert with Dick Hyman and the festival big band, chorus and guests, 7:30pm, Hult Center, \$22-\$42. 434-7000.

Etouffée, 6:30pm, Pavilion Park, Coburg. Free.

Friday, 8/4

String Cheese Incident, 6pm Aug. 4 & 5 and 4pm August 6, Cuthbert Amphitheatre. 682-5000. \$35, \$91 three-day pass.

Oregon Festival of American Music: *Top Hat*, 10am, Shedd Recital Hall, free; "Heat Wave: Improvisations on Irving Berlin," with Dick Hyman and his small band, 2:30pm, Jaqua Concert Hall, \$20-\$48; "The 20s in Revue," lecture by Steve Stone with vocalists Julie Alsin and Michael Stone, 4:30pm, Shedd Recital Hall, free; "Blue Skies: The Immigrant Composers," with Dick Hyman and the festival band, Maria Jette, Michael Stone, William Mark Hulings and others, 7:30pm, Jaqua Concert Hall, \$22-\$38. 434-7000.

Cool Off With Your Brain Off

Sure, there are good summer movies. Especially in a small town like Eugene, where we're just now getting the 2006 Best Foreign Language Film Oscar winner, *Tsotsi*, among other art house and independent pictures that take their own sweet time getting here. Of course, the truly mindless stuff at which summer excels takes no time in arriving. And sometimes you just need to relax in a dark, air-conditioned room for two hours without caring or even beginning to think about what's on the screen. In that spirit, here are a few of the summer's more intellectually challenged offerings.

The Descent and *Pulse*

Hot young things are terrorized by bloodthirsty predators. Lather, rinse, repeat. In *The Descent*, there are nasty things in a cave. In *Pulse*, Kristen Bell ("Veronica Mars") sees dead people ... in the Internet! Whatever will they think of next?

Garfield: A Tale of Two Kitties

I like to pretend that Garfield doesn't actually speak. Like, *ever*. He was much cooler when I was in third grade. It doesn't help that the darn cat, in this sequel to his 2004 film, is again voiced

by Bill Murray. Bill Murray! What are you doing? Breckin Meyer (so adorable in *Clueless*) and Jennifer Love Hewitt shouldn't be in this thing either, but you! You really know better. Call up Wes Anderson, OK? I'm sure he can find something way better for you to do.

Little Man

Marlon Wayans plays a very short criminal who dresses up as a baby in order to ... oh, sorry, am I still typing? Marlon Wayans dresses up as a baby. Why? Because *White Chicks* made \$70 million, that's why. And, I'm guessing, because there are a lot of opportunities for breast jokes.

Romeo and Juliet: Sealed With a Kiss

See how the word "seal" is in that title there? It's *punny*. 'Cause the movie is about *seals*. On second thought, this animated film might be enough to make your head explode from trying not to think about it.

Snakes on a Plane

There are snakes! And they're on a plane! And Samuel L. Jackson swears at them! Julianna Margulies, so good on "ER"



Snakes on a Plane

but mostly MIA since then (no, *Ghost Ship* doesn't count), co-stars. The Internet is gleefully abuzz (ahiss?) about the movie *Wired* magazine dubbed the "best worst movie of 2006." Fake posters, trailers, songs, art, you name it, it's out there. Urbanictionary.com even defines the phrase "snakes on a plane" as the equivalent of "shit happens." This is the one you see to find out what all the noise is about. Or at least I do. You don't have to. It's OK. — *Molly Templeton*