

MUSIC LISTINGS

THURSDAY 2/18

B&B LOUNGE Karaoke—9:30pm
BARN LIGHT Karaoke w/Bre—9pm; n/c
BEALL HALL Sospiro—7:30pm; n/c
BEERGARDEN Tripp's Hop Adventure—5pm; n/c
BLACK FOREST Rosebud Slim—10pm; n/c
THE COOLER Luke Kaufman & Matt Borden—9pm; \$10 [Karaoke w/Cammi—10pm]
COWFISH Purrsday w/Kitty Trap—9pm; Bass, trap, n/c
CUSH Guitar Club Open Mic—8pm; Originals only, n/c
DRIFTWOOD Karaoke w/Slick Nick—9pm; n/c
EL TAPATIO CANTINA Karaoke—8pm; n/c
GREEN ROOM Open Mic Comedy—9pm; n/c
GROWLER UNDERGROUND Acoustic Underground Open Mic—6:30pm; n/c
HI-FI Vokab Kompany w/ Solovox—10pm; \$10
HULT CENTER Eugene Symphony “Fire & Water”—8pm; \$21-\$66
ISLAND HUT Karaoke—6pm; n/c
JAZZ STATION Randy Porter Trio—7:30pm; \$12-\$15
LEVEL UP Quizzo Pub Trivia w/ Dr. Seven Phoenix—9pm; n/c
LUCKEY'S Grateful Family Jam—10pm; \$2
MAC'S The Traceys—6pm; n/c
MAX'S DJ Victor—10pm; n/c
MCDONALD THEATRE Borgeous, Morgan Page & Support from Delora—8pm; \$25
OAKSHIRE Corwin Bolt—5pm; n/c
THE OLD PAD Karaoke—9pm; n/c
OREGON WINE LAB “Categorically Correct” w/host Elliot Martinez—6:30pm; Trivia, n/c
OVERTIME TAVERN West Side Blues Jam—8:30pm; Open jam, n/c
REALITY KITCHEN Acoustic Reality—5pm; Open mic, n/c
RESTOBAR Steven McVay—5pm
SAM BOND'S GARAGE The Procrastinators—9pm; \$3-\$5
SIDE BAR WDYK Trivia—9pm; n/c
TERRITORIAL VINEYARDS The Porch Band—7pm; n/c

FRIDAY 2/19
5TH ST. CORNUCOPIA Chibuku—9:30pm; n/c
755 RIVER RD. Laurie Lewis & The Right Hands—8pm; \$25
AXE & FIDDLE The Slow Ponies—8:30pm; \$5
BILLY MAC'S Christie & McCallum—7:30pm; n/c
BLACK FOREST Red Cloud, Full Lush, Gladiators Eat Fire, Sarama—10pm; Rock, n/c
BLAIRALLY ARCADE '80's Night w/Chris, Jen & John—9pm; \$3
THE BLIND PIG Karaoke w/Jim Jim—9pm, n/c
BOHEMIA PANACEA Open Mic—6pm, n/c
BROADWAY HOUSE The Westerlies—7:30pm; \$10
BUGSY'S Beau Teak—9pm; n/c
COWFISH Freek-Nite w/SPOC-3PO the Audio Schizo—9pm; \$3
CRESWELL BAKERY Missing Mass—5pm; n/c
D'S DINER Karaoke—9pm; n/c
DOC'S PAD Karaoke w/KJ Mike—9pm; n/c
DRIFTWOOD Karaoke w/Slick Nick—9pm; n/c
EL TAPATIO CANTINA Karaoke w/KJ Rick—9pm; n/c
THE EMBERS Coupe De Ville—8:30pm; n/c

FRIENDLY ST. MARKET David Rogers—5:30pm; n/c
GROWLER UNDERGROUND Kevin James Pertinen—8pm; n/c
HILTON HOTEL Aftermath—7pm; Jazz, n/c
J. SCOTT CELLARS Jesse Meade—5pm; Folk, n/c

JAZZ STATION UO Jazz Combos—5pm; n/c [Nancy Evergreen's Jazz Party—7:30pm; \$12-\$15
JERSEY'S Karaoke Contest—9pm; n/c
JIMMY'S ON 11TH Karaoke w/Zach—9pm; n/c
THE KEG Karaoke w/Cammi—9pm; n/c

LAVELLE VINEYARDS Mike Brewer & Brewketts—6:30pm; n/c
LEVEL UP DJ food stamp—9pm; Rap, breaks, soul, n/c
LUCKEY'S MRCH, Octonaut—10pm; \$5
MAC'S Code Red—8pm; Rock, country, \$5
MOHAWK The Koz Band—9pm; n/c
O BAR Karaoke w/Jared—9pm; n/c
OAKSHIRE Walker T. Ryan—5pm; n/c
O'DONNELL'S Karaoke—9pm
PIZZA RESEARCH INSTITUTE Olem Alves Duo—6:30pm; n/c

PORKY'S PALACE Karaoke—8pm
SAGINAW VINEYARD The Huckleberrys—6pm; n/c
SAM BOND'S GARAGE Sean Rowe—9:30pm; Alterna-folk, \$10-\$12
TAYLOR'S DJ Victor—10pm; Hip hop, dance, n/c
TERRITORIAL VINEYARDS Lonesome Randall—7pm; n/c.
TRACKSTIRS Karaoke w/James—9pm; n/c
TRAVELER'S COVE Peter Giri—6pm; n/c
WHITE HORSE SALOON Karaoke w/Ted—9pm; n/c

SATURDAY 2/20

5TH ST. CORNUCOPIA Bajuna Tea—9:30pm; n/c
ATRIUM BUILDING Blue Crew—2pm; Acoustic blues, n/c
AXE & FIDDLE The Battlefield—8:30pm; n/c
B&B LOUNGE Karaoke—9:30pm
BEERGARDEN Tripp's Hop Adventure—5pm; n/c
BLACK FOREST Stariana, This Fair City, The Great Bee Yawned—9pm; Darkwave, n/c
BLAIRALLY DJs Boc & Victor—9; \$3
BUGSY'S Beau Teak—9pm; n/c
THE COOLER Code Red—9pm; \$5
COWFISH Sup! w/Michael Human—9pm; Hip hop, pop-40, \$3
COZMIC Nell Robinson & Jim Nunally Band, Brittany Bailey—9:30pm; \$13-\$15
DOC'S PAD Evolve Saturdays—9pm; EDM, hip hop, n/c
DRIFTWOOD Karaoke w/Slick Nick—9pm; n/c
DUCK BAR Karaoke w/Bre—9pm; n/c
DUCK INN Karaoke—10pm
EL TAPATIO CANTINA DJ & Dance Music—9pm; n/c
THE EMBERS Coupe De Ville—8:30pm; n/c
GROWLER UNDERGROUND Eddie Butler—8pm; n/c
HAPPY HOURS Emerald Mountain Band, Normal Bean Band w/George Walker—8pm; n/c
HI-FI LOUNGE Tripolee, Absurd Bird—10pm; \$5
JAZZ STATION Michael Winkle Trio—7:30pm; \$9-\$12
THE KEG Karaoke w/Cammi—9pm; n/c
LUCKEY'S The Ready Steady Soul Club—10pm; \$3
MAC'S John Swan & The Revelators—8pm; Blues, \$7
MCDONALD THEATRE Metric, Joywave—8pm; \$26-\$31
MOHAWK The Koz Band—9pm; n/c
O BAR Timothy Patrick—6pm; n/c
OAKSHIRE Dubious Rubes—5pm; Rock, n/c
OLD NICK'S Gazelle(s), Hostages, An Empty Room—9pm; \$5
POUR HOUSE Karaoke w/KJ Mike—9pm
QUACKER'S Ladies Night & DeeJay—9pm; n/c
RASTA PLUS Open Mic—7pm; n/c
RAVEN A Karaoke w/Zach—8pm; n/c
SAM BOND'S GARAGE The Fillmore Zone—9:30pm; \$3-\$5
THE SHEDD Honey Whiskey Trio—7:30pm; \$19-\$23
TRACKSTIRS Karaoke—9pm; n/c
WESTEND TAVERN Karaoke—9pm; n/c
WHITE HORSE SALOON Karaoke w/Ted—9pm; n/c

SUNDAY 2/21

AGATE ALLEY BISTRO Karaoke w/Bre—9pm; n/c
AGRARIAN ALES Lonesome Randall—3pm; n/c
BEALL HALL American Brass Quintet—3pm; \$19-\$45 [Bassoon Studio Recital—7:30pm; n/c]
BLAIRALLY Game Show! w/Elliot Martinez & Chad Kashuba—10pm; n/c
COWFISH Los Domingos Caliente—9pm; Latin, \$3
CUSH Open Mic—7pm; n/c
EMBERS Karaoke—7pm
HI-FI The Roseannas—7pm; n/c
HOP VALLEY Gumbo Groove, Anthony Fijia—5pm; n/c
JAZZ STATION Sunday Jam w/Jessie Smith—2pm; \$5
LUCKEY'S Broadway Revue Burlesque—10pm; \$5
MCDONALD THEATRE Iration, Pepper & New Kingston—7pm; \$28

THE METRIC SYSTEM

Metric always seemed a bit timeless to me, which might explain why it freaks me out that the Canadian band has been together for nearly two decades. How have they managed to continue headlining theaters like the McDonald even as fellow Canadian contemporaries like Broken Social Scene and Stars faded from view?

I'd pinpoint three primary reasons: First, there's the sound, which over time has evolved gracefully from the tightly-wound post-punk of the band's debut to the dance-floor synth pop of the last few records. While Metric has never released a perfect record (2009's *Fantasies* comes close), every one of their five LPs packs at least a handful of bangers, from “Dead Disco” on the debut, “Help, I'm Alive” from *Fantasies* and “The Shade” from the most recent release, *Pagans in Vegas*.

This leads nicely into reason two: Metric is a killer live act. Certainly the four members, who have yet to experience a lineup change, have developed plenty of live interplay during their many years playing together. But most credit is due to lead singer Emily Haines, who approaches each show with the swagger of a woman who has been commanding stages since the Clinton administration.

Finally, like any lasting band, they pack a number of unexpected strengths. Take Haines and guitarist James Shaw's acoustic take on fan favorite “Gimme Sympathy.” The track beautifully demonstrates that even when stripped of the disco beats and shimmering synths, Metric still maintains its power — one grounded in Haines' earthy, multi-faceted voice and the band's penchant for writing songs that never go quite where you expect them.

New York-based indie-pop outfit **Joywave** opens for Metric 8 pm Saturday, Feb. 20, at the McDonald Theatre; \$26 adv., \$31 door. — *J.D. Swerzenski*

