

## Movie Openings July 20

### BIG BUDGET FILMS

**The Dark Knight Rises** (PG-13 for sensuality, profanity and intense violence) Latest Batman adventure, again directed by Chris Nolan, has the Caped Crusader (Christian Bale) coming out of exile to match wits with a mysterious cat burglar (Anne Hathaway) and with a masked terrorist (Tom Hardy) determined to destroy Gotham City. Ensemble cast includes Michael Caine, Morgan Freeman, Liam Neeson, Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Gary Oldman and Marion Cotillard.



### KAM'S CAPSULES

Movie Reviews by Kam Williams

ning for a seat on the Seattle City Council. With Tom Arnold, Cedric the Entertainer, Christopher McDonald and Lauren Ambrose.

**Hara-Kiri: The Death of a Samurai** (Unrated) 3-D remake of the 1962 revenge saga of the same name revolving around a struggling samurai warrior (Ebizo Ichikawa) who decides to even the score with the feudal lord (Koji Yakusho) responsible for his son-in-law's (Eita) suicide. With Goro Daimon, Takashi Sasano and Hikari Mitsushima. (In Japanese with subtitles)

**The Queen of Versailles** (PG for mature themes and mild epithets) McMansion documentary about music mogul David Siegel's two-year effort to build the biggest and most expensive single-family home in the United States for his wife, Jackie.

**Wagner's Dream** (Unrated) "The Show Ain't Over 'til the Fat Lady Sings" docu-



'The Dark Knight Rises'

mentary chronicling the daunting host of challenges encountered by Manhattan's Metropolitan Opera in the process of mounting a very ambitious production of Wagner's epic Ring Cycle. Featuring appearances by James Levine, Carl Fillion and Peter Gelb. (In English and French with subtitles)

**The Well-Digger's Daughter** (Unrated) Faithful remake of the 1940 classic based

upon the Marcel Pagnol romance novel about a working-class widower (Daniel Auteuil) who finds himself emotionally-conflicted when one (Astrid Berges-Frisbey) of his six daughters is left pregnant by a wealthy Air Force pilot (Jaques Mazel) fighting in the First World War. With Kad Merad, Jeanne-Pierre Darroussin and Nicolas Duvauchelle. (In French with subtitles)

### INDEPENDENT & FOREIGN FILMS

**30 Beats** (R for nudity, profanity and sexuality) Romantic comedy, set in the midst of a summer heat wave, about ten New Yorkers ensnared, due to forces beyond their control, in a web of desire woven by a chain reaction of seduction and self-discovery. Starring Ingeborga Dapkunaite, Jason Day and Vahina Giocante.

**Grassroots** (R for pervasive profanity and brief drug use) Unlikely-buddy dramedy about a just-fired journalist (Jason Biggs) who grudgingly agrees to campaign for an eccentric pal (Joel David Moore) run-



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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

# SEATTLE 2012

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### Thursday July 19

**SHELBY EARL: SEATTLE PRESENTS FREE SUMMER CONCERTS.** Soak up the sumptuous voice of singer-songwriter Shelby Earl for the noon concert at City Hall, 600 4th Ave. Noon – 1:30 p.m.

### Saturday July 21

**TASTE OF VAN ASSELT.** Come enjoy a day of live

music, food, arts and crafts and lots more fun. 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. Van Asselt Community Center, 2820 S. Myrtle St. Free event for all ages.

**JAZZ NIGHT SCHOOL'S JAZZATHON SET TO SWING SUMMER.** Columbia City will be swinging with the sizzling sounds of Summer Jazzathon from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. at six locations along Rainier S, a fundraising event of the Seattle-based nonprofit organizations Jazz Night School, is free of charge to attend. Go to the website for specific locations and times [www.jazznightschool.org](http://www.jazznightschool.org). Or you may call 206-722-6061.

### Wednesday July 25

**JOBBERNAUT'S THE GREATER SEATTLE DIVERSITY JOB FAIR.** Come and check out who all is hiring in the greater Seattle area. 11 a.m. Seattle Center, 305 Harrison St.

### Thursday July 26

**ICE CREAM SOCIAL & CONCERT.** Bring a picnic to the park and enjoy lively times from the Silverback's while the kids enjoy bounce houses and \$1 ice cream. 6 – 8 p.m. Loyal Heights Community Center, 2101 NW 77th St.

### Saturday July 28

**KOREAN WAR VETERANS TO BE REMEMBERED AT THE ANNUAL WREATHLAYING.** Washington residents are invited to pay tribute to Veterans of the Korean War, as Veterans groups gather in Olympia to remember the 59th Anniversary of the Armistice Signing that ended the Korean War. 11 a.m. at the Korean War Veterans Memorial on the East Capital Campus.