

# Upcoming Art Events

6/25/09

## This Week



**Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles presents Jennifer Holliday in Broadway:** **Saturday, June 27** at 3pm and 8pm, **Sunday, June 28** at 3pm. The Tony Award and two-time Grammy Award winning actress Jennifer Holliday joins the Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles in a very special engagement consisting of both classic and recent musical numbers that have defined the boards of the Great White Way. Concert will be held at the Alex Theater, 216 North Brand Boulevard, Glendale, 91203. For tickets visit [www.gmcla.org](http://www.gmcla.org) or call (800) MENSING.



**James Baldwin Down from the Mountain:** **Saturday, June 27** at the Village at Ed Gould Plaza, 1125 N. McCadden Place, Los Angeles 90038. Pre-performance reception at 7pm, performance at 8pm. **FREE** (donations accepted to support arts and cultural programming at the Center). Presented by the City of West Hollywood and the LA Gay & Lesbian Center, this highly acclaimed solo play, written and performed by Tony Award nominee Calvin Levels, chronicles the rich and fervent life of the esteemed writer and human rights activist, James Baldwin. Reservations: (323) 848-6354.



**Trafficking in Broken Hearts:** A gritty urban love story that revolves around Papo, a tough talking Puerto Rican hustler from the Bronx; Brian, a sexually confused lawyer from the Midwest; and Bobby, a 17-year old runaway. Written by Edwin Sanchez and directed by Efrain Schunior. Plays through June 28 at Celebration Theatre, 7051 Santa Monica Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90038. Show times are Thursday-Saturday at 8pm and Sunday at 3pm. General admission is \$20. For more information visit [www.celebrationtheatre.com](http://www.celebrationtheatre.com)



**Carved in Stone:** Jeffrey Hartgraves' hilarious after-life literary comedy featuring Truman Capote, Oscar Wilde, Tennessee Williams & Quentin Crisp. Young writer Gryphon Tott dies, and is sent to spend eternity in the company of this sparkling group. Tott has become a gay icon himself, with the posthumous publication of his one-and-only novel. There's just one problem: Gryphon says he is straight! Watch these legendary wits solve Gryphon's "identity crisis" in the show the SF Examiner calls "brilliantly funny" and SF Weekly declares "hilarious"! Advance tickets available at (310) 473-LIVE or to RSVP e-mail [RSVP@carvedinstonetheplay.com](mailto:RSVP@carvedinstonetheplay.com). Plays Fridays and Saturdays at 8 pm, Sundays at 2 pm and 7 pm through August 9. Theater Asylum, 6320 Santa Monica Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90038. Tickets are \$25 (discounted tickets available at online outlets).



**He Asked for It:** Erik Patterson's new play is a "timely and gripping portrait of gay relationships in the 21st century [showing] boundless potential as a watershed gay drama [with] a haunting lead performance by Joe Egender" (Frontiers Magazine). Playing at the MACHA Theatre, 1107 N. Kings Road, West Hollywood, through July 19. Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 8 pm, Sundays 7 pm. Reservations: (323) 375-2400 or [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com).



**Summer Sounds Concerts:** The City of West Hollywood's Summer Sounds concert series takes place on select Sundays throughout the summer. Next up, DMG Music under the direction of Gregory Cherninsky features a selection of classics and contemporary works including Mozart's *Eine Kleine Nachtmusik*, Scott Joplin's *Maple Leaf Rag*, and Freddie Mercury's *Don't Stop Me Now*. **Sunday, June 28 at 4 pm** at Kings Road Park, 1000 N. Kings Road, West Hollywood. Chairs will be set up under the shade, and you can also bring a blanket and sit on the lawn. **Admission is free.**

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## This Week *cont.*

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### **ESPECIALLY FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, and FAMILIES**



**Auditions for *Rise Up & Shout: Voices of the Next Gay Generation*:** Are you and LGBTQ singer? Poet? Dancer? Rapper? Performance artist? Musician? Comedian? (age 16-26) We want you! Be part of a part of an evening of unique performance, song and dance by gay/lesbian youth. Auditions will be held **July 11** from 1-4 pm at MCCLA Fellowship Hall, 4953 Franklin Avenue, Los Angeles, 90027. For more information visit [www.riseupandshout.org](http://www.riseupandshout.org)



**Join SHINE! LA's Youth Theatre for *Robin Hood: The Musical***, an upbeat and raucous musical adventure adapted from the medieval legends. Robin Hood whisks viewers from the downtrodden streets of Nottingham to the mystery of Sherwood Forest in a fun filled romp that will delight the entire family. Join Robin, Will, Tuck, Little John and Marion as they fight to make Nottingham a place they can truly call home. Saturday June 27 at 3 pm and 6 pm, and Sunday June 28 at 6 pm at the West Hollywood Park Auditorium (647 N. San Vicente, Los Angeles, CA 90069). \$10 suggested donation. Suitable for children ages 4 and up.

**West Hollywood Library presents:**



**Alternate Routes' Woodworking Bus on June 27** from 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm. Education on Wheels has been teaching kids the lost art of creative woodworking (on a bus) since 1997. They have served over 10,000 kids ages 5-11 and up! Alternate Routes' goal is to teach children how to use tools safely and effectively. The workshop will give kids an early working knowledge of real tools, materials manipulation, and other processes usually reserved for adult artists. The program is free, but space is limited. Please call the library that week to reserve a spot - (310) 830-0231. Closed toed shoes required!

**Mariachi Magicians, June 27 - June 29**, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Rafael and Katia return to the library with their amazing Mariachi Magic Show.

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## Coming Attractions

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**Celebration Theatre presents ALTER BOYZ**, the longest running new musical comedy to open in New York in years! And the critics loved it! This highly acclaimed Off-Broadway smash hit follows five small town boys-Matthew, Mark, Luke, Juan and Abraham-as they save the world one screaming fan at a time. **July 10 - August 23**, Thursday - Saturday at 8pm, Sundays at 3pm. General admission is \$30. To purchase tickets visit [www.celebrationtheatre.com](http://www.celebrationtheatre.com)

**Celebration Theatre** offers classes that are not only exciting and challenging to the working theatre professional but also unique to Celebration's LGBTQ mission. At Celebration Studio we celebrate not only the artist's craft but the diverse voice of the Los Angeles community. Join Celebration Studio this July for one of the following 3 exciting kick-off courses:

- Theatrical Improvisation
- LGBTQ Musical Theater Performance and History
- Solo Performance

Classes begin July 13 at Celebration Theatre. \$280 for 8 week session. Registration deadline: **July 6**. Mention Offer Code: STUDIO and receive 15% off the class fee. To reserve your spot now, or with any questions, contact Louise Hung at [louisehung@celebrationtheatre.com](mailto:louisehung@celebrationtheatre.com)

