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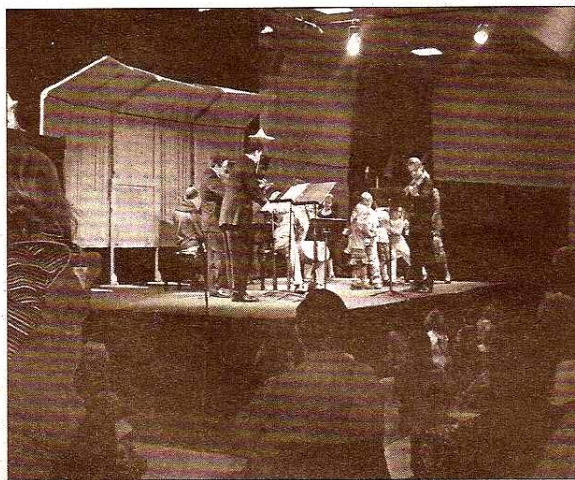
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KIDS • SPECIAL EVENTS



Lenape Chamber Ensemble's concert for children at Delaware Valley College.

Special Events

Philadelphia

Bank of America's Museums on Us Bank of America cardholders receive free admission to various cultural institutions for the weekend, incl. Delaware Museum of Natural History, National Constitution Center, Philadelphia Museum of Art, PAFA & more. <http://promotions.bankofamerica.com/museums>. 3/7-3/8.

Family Day at the Races: Slot Car Racing Portside Arts Center, 2531 E. Lehigh Ave.; 215-427-1514. \$10; \$5 children. 3/7 1 pm.

Flower-Inspired Food Tour A 3-hour adventure visiting 4 specialty food shops in Center City. DiBruno Bros, 1730 Chestnut St.; www.cityfoodtours.com. \$35-\$39. 3/6-3/7 10 am-1 pm.

Irish Afternoon Annual event featuring music, dancing, Celtic folklore, Irish cuisine, storytelling & more. Glen Foerd on the Delaware, 5001 Grant Ave.; 215-832-5330. www.glenfoerd.org. \$25; \$10 Children under 12. 3/6 2 pm.

Philadelphia Flower Show Features floral masterpieces, culinary demonstrations, garden marketplace & more. Pennsylvania Convention Center, 1101 Arch St.; 215-418-4700. www.theflowershow.com. \$22, \$13 children 2-16 advance; \$24-\$28, \$17 students 17-24, \$13 children 2-16 day of show. 3/6 10 am-9:30 pm. 3/7 8 am-9:30 pm. 3/8 8 am-6 pm.

Philadelphia Polar Bear Plunge Benefit for the Alzheimer's Association Delaware Valley Chapter. Lloyd Hall, One Boathouse Row, Kelly Dr.; 610-771-0133. www.fairmountpark.org/RecreationCenter.asp. \$35; \$25 for ages 18 & under. 3/6 10 am.

Sing-a-Long Fiddler on the Roof Celebrate the 150th birthday of Yiddish writer Sholem Aleichem. Costume contest, birthday cake & more. Gershman Y, 401 S. Broad St.; RSVP: 215-545-4400. www.gershmany.org. \$10; \$5 children. 3/8 3 pm.

Students Run Philly Program to combat obesity in the city's youth population. Franklin Field, 253 S. 33rd St.; 215-836-6151. www.pennathletics.com. 3/7 9 am-noon.

Womynsfest Live music, performances, art, vendors, short films, educational activities & more. The Rotunda, 4014 Walnut St.; 215-573-3234. vitaminproductions.us. 3/8 3-11 pm.

Pennsylvania suburbs

Celebrate Carnivals & Latex Les Bon Temps Boulez Zydeco music & dancing, food, fun, frolic for Carnivals. Main Line YMCA, 100 St. George's Rd., Ardmore; www.firstfridaymainline.com. \$15-\$25 donation. 3/6 6-10 pm.

Greater Philadelphia Boat Show & Sale Extensive selection of models & styles of boats, talks with experts & info on boating-related equipment. Greater Philadelphia Expo Center, 100 Station Ave., Oaks; 804-748-7489. phillyboatshow.com. \$5; \$2 youth 13-17; free for children 12 & under. 3/6 noon-9 pm. 3/7 10 am-8 pm. 3/8 10 am-5 pm.

Purim Carnival Games, food & fun in honor of Purim. Congregation Tifereth Israel, 2909 Bristol Rd., Bensalem; 215-752-3468. www.tiferethisrael-pa.org. 3/8 11:15 am-2:30 pm.

Purim Carnival Featuring clowns.

Party promotes new interactive site *ByKidsOnly.com*.

Design your favorite fashions

By Kristin Granero
 FOR THE INQUIRER

Children and their caregivers are invited to explore fashion design at "Fashion, Fun and Therapy" from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Sunday at the Little Wonders Child Growth & Developmental Center in East Norriton.

The fashion-forward party will promote the launch of *ByKidsOnly.com*, an interactive site where kids ages 5 to 13 can illustrate their own clothing and then vote for their favorite designs. The event also celebrates the third anniversary of the Little Wonders Center, an innovative gym for child growth and development.

During the party, kids can participate in scavenger hunts, race with foam scooters, and create their own fashion designs online. Professional advice from on-site occupational and physical therapists will be available.

"Fashion, Fun and Therapy" party, 1:30-4:30 p.m. Sunday at the Little Wonders Child Growth & Developmental Center, 100 W. Germantown Pike, E. Norriton. Free.

Information: 610-275-5437 or www.littlewonderscenter.com. RSVP: party@bykidsonly.com.

Sound all around

The Lenape Chamber Ensemble will host a Concert in the Round for children ages 4-12 at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Delaware Valley College Student Center in Doylestown.

Flutist Julietta Curenton, violinists Ayano Ninomiya and Cyrus Beroukhim, and pianist Marcantonio Barone are among featured musicians who will perform various pieces, including Mozart's Flute Quartet and Edvard Grieg's Sonata for Violin.

Following the concert, children can speak with the performers and enjoy refreshments.

Concert in the Round, 10 a.m. Saturday at the Delaware Valley College Student Center, Rt. 202 S. at the State St. exit of the Route 611 bypass, Doylestown. Admission: \$2 per child, free for accompanying adults. Information: 610-294-9361 or lenapechamberensemble.org.

Children's performer

Children's author and songwriter Barry Louis Polisar will hold a free performance for children at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Kimmel Center's Commonwealth Plaza.

Known for his hit song "All I Want is You," from the *Juno* soundtrack, the four-time Parents' Choice award-winner will perform as part of the Kimmel Center's PNC "Grow Up Great" series, which features child-friendly entertainment on the first Saturday of every month.

Barry Louis Polisar children's performance, 11 a.m. Saturday at the Kimmel Center, 260 S. Broad St. Free. Information: 215-780-5800 or www.kimmelcenter.org.

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Barry Louis Polisar free at the Kimmel.