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Sept ?? ~ Dine out in the Lower River area, and you may witness Pegasus Theater actors presenting "Isn't It Fabulous?" by Sonoma County playwright David Beckman, a light-hearted, whimsical 10-minute fantasy that's set in a restaurant. The dates and locations are a surprise! www.pegasustheater.com or 707-869-0136

Sept 18-19 ~ **northWave Dance Fest 2009** ~ over 100 dancers, 24 dances, and 10 dance styles, all from Sonoma County! Tickets \$10-\$15. 8:00 pm at Spreckels Performing Arts Center, 5409 Snyder Lane, Rohnert Park ~ 707-579-2787 x102 & 707-578-9234 ~ www.dancesonoma.com

Sept 18, Oct 16 ~ **6th Street Improv!** ~ Unique stories inspired by your suggestions; It's different every time! Tickets \$14. 8:00 pm at 6th Street Playhouse, 52 W. 6th Street, Santa Rosa ~ 707-523-4185 ~ www.6thstreetplayhouse.com

Sept 18 to Oct 18 ~ **The Tempest** ~ Shakespeare's classic story of redemption speaks today through live theatrical animation. Tickets \$18-\$23. Thu-Fri-Sat 8:00 pm, & Sun 2:00 pm at The Rep, 104 N. Main St, Sebastopol ~ 707-823-0177 ~ www.the-rep.com ~ www.independenteye.org

Sept 20 ~ **In Defense of Beauty** ~ One woman's principled, if eccentric, battle to remain in her home. Admission free; refreshments served. 4:00 pm at Riverlane Resort, 16320 1st Street, Guerneville ~ 707-869-0266 ~ www.pegasustheater.com

Sept 25-27 ~ **Stories Seldom Told** ~ Familiar & not-so-familiar biblical stories of women and men who have often been repressed or silenced by culture and literature. \$12. 7:30pm at Sebastopol Center for the Arts, 6780 Depot Street, Sebastopol ~ 707-829-4797 ~ www.sebarts.org

Sept 25 to Oct 11 ~ **On the Verge** ~ (or *the Geography of Yearning*). Three Victorian women representing the past, present, & future travel from 1888 to 1955. Tickets \$22-\$28. Oct 8 = Teen night. Thu-Fri-Sat 8:00 pm; Sun 2:00 pm at Cinnabar Theater, 3333 Petaluma Blvd., North, Petaluma ~ 707-763-8920 ~ www.cinnabartheater.org

Sept 25 to Oct 11 ~ **Riff Raff** ~ High-stakes tale of three hustlers in search of redemption, by Lawrence Fishburne. Tickets \$15-\$20. Thu-Fri-Sat-Sun 8:00 pm, & Sat-Sun 2:00 pm in The Studio at 6th Street Playhouse, 52 West 6th Street (in Historic Railroad Square), Santa Rosa ~ www.narrowwaystage.com

Oct 2 to 25 ~ **You Can't Take It With You** ~ If the Sycamores are mad, the rest of the world is madder! Tickets \$15-\$28. Thu-Fri-Sat 8:00 pm & Sat-Sun 2:00pm at 6th Street Playhouse, 52 W. 6th Street, Santa Rosa ~ 707-523-4185 ~ www.6thstreetplayhouse.com

Oct 7, 14, 21, 28 ~ **Play Reading Sessions** ~ Work-shopping sessions for playwrights who want to see how their short plays sound in the hands of experienced actors.

Free & open to the public. 7:00 pm at the Village Inn, 20822 River Blvd, Monte Rio ~ *RSVP*: Lois Pearlman, 707-869-0266 or lois5@sonic.net

Oct 10 ~ **Vincent** ~ Correspondence with brother Theo reveals the life & work of artist Vincent Van Gogh. One-man show stars Jim Jarret. Written by Leonard Nimoy. Tickets \$30-\$65. 8:00 pm at Harmony Salmon Creek School Auditorium, 1935 Bohemian Hwy, Occidental ~ 707-874-9392 ~ www.occidentalcenterforthearts.com

Jan 31 Deadline ~ **'Tapas' Play Submissions** ~ Playwrights residing in Northern California are invited to submit up to two 10-15 minute plays. Selections by Feb. 28, production in summer 2010. No fee. Lois Pearlman, 14290 Sunset Ave., Guerneville, CA 95446 ~ lois5@sonic.net ~ www.pegasustheater.com

ONGOING

Wednesdays to Dec 9 ~ **Petaluma Cinema Series** ~ classic, foreign, & independent films. Tickets \$5 + parking. Pre-film lecture 6:00, film 7:00, post-discussion until 10:00 in the new state-of-the-art Carole L. Ellis Auditorium at SRJC Petaluma, 680 Sonoma Mountain Parkway ~ www.petalumafilmfest.org

Third Wednesdays ~ **NOVA Science Night at the Movies** ~ presented by Science Buzz Café. \$4 by donation. 6:00-9:00 pm at the French Garden Restaurant, 8050 Bodega Avenue, Sebastopol ~ 707-824-2030 ~ www.sciencebuzzcafe.org

Last Wednesdays ~ **Film Night** ~ Transition Sebastopol presents films on issues of Peace, Justice, & Sustainability. By donation. 7:00 pm at the French Garden Restaurant, 8050 Bodega Avenue, Sebastopol ~ www.transitionsebastopol.org

Fridays to Nov 27 ~ **Great Conversations** ~ Eavesdrop on 13 brilliant authors, each recognized in an area of prominence, & each uniquely paired with an interviewer. 9:00 pm on KRCB TV-22 ~ 707-584-2035 ~ www.krcb.org

First Fridays ~ **Italian Movie Night** ~ Free. Light supper & wine will be offered for sale. 6:30 food, 7:00 pm movie at VIVA: Culinary Institute of Florence/Italian Cultural Center, 7160 Keating Avenue, Sebastopol ~ *RSVP*: 707-824-9913 or viva@saiprograms.com ~ www.studyabroad-italy.com/viva

Saturdays ~ **Healing Quest** ~ weekly series focused entirely on the latest in integrative health & natural approaches to wellness. 11:30 am on KRCB TV-22 ~ 707-584-2035 ~ www.krcb.org

Second Saturdays ~ **Truth Be Told Salon** ~ \$15/door. 7:30 pm at Sebastopol Center for the Arts, Music Room, 6780 Depot Street, Sebastopol ~ 707-829-4797 ~ www.sebarts.org

LITERARY

Sept 24 ~ **Storytelling, Gardening & Healing** ~ An Evening with Chester Aaron & Shepherd Bliss. 7:00 pm at The Quicksilver Mine Co, 6671 Front St/Hwy 116, Forestville ~ 707-887-0799 ~ www.quicksilvermineco.com

Sept 25 Deadline ~ **Poet Laureate Nominations** ~ submission requirements & application form available from Sebastopol Center for the Arts, 6780 Depot Street, Sebastopol ~ Linda Galletta, 707-829-4757 ~ www.sebarts.org

Oct 3 ~ **Poetry Walk** ~ 3rd Annual Guerneville Poetry Walk, hosted by PenHouseInk Press. Begin 11:00 am at Nexus Organic Design, 16218 Main Street, progress through five locations, reception follows at 4:00 pm. ~ penhouseink@yahoo.com

Oct 5, 12, 19, 26 ~ **Writer's Sampler XXI** ~ \$15 per session or 4/\$50. 7:00-9:00 pm at the Sebastopol Center for the Arts, 6780 Depot Street, Sebastopol ~ 707-829-4797 ~ www.sebarts.org

Meet the Author ~ Craig Nathanson, *"Don't Just Retire and Die: A New Approach to Your Life & Work after 40."* 2:00 pm ~ www.sonomalibrary.org

Oct 3 ~ Guerneville Regional Library, 14107 Armstrong Woods Rd ~ 707-869-9004

Oct 10 ~ Sebastopol Regional Library, 7140 Bodega Ave ~ 707-823-7691

Oct 24 ~ **Redwood Writers Conference** ~ agents, editors, & writers from all genres offer insights, experiences, & encouragement of fellow writers at all levels. 7:30 am - 6:00 pm at the Flamingo Hotel, 2777 Fourth Street Santa Rosa ~ 707-484-4153 ~ www.redwoodwriters.org/conference.html

ONGOING

First Mondays ~ **UUCSR Writers** ~ Open to all levels. Membership with Congregation not required. Monthly except Sept, 4:00-6:00 pm in the 'Green Room,' Unitarian Universalist Congregation Santa Rosa, 547 Mendocino Ave ~ 707-568-5381, ggdeb@aol.com ~ uucsrwriters.blogspot.com

Second Tuesdays ~ **Center Literary Café** ~ Featured speaker, followed by open mic. Bring prose or poetry to share. By donation. 7:00-9:00 pm at Healdsburg Senior Center, 133 Matheson St, Healdsburg ~ Cynthia Helen, 707-696-1111, centerliterarycafe@gmail.com

Thursdays ~ **Many Rivers Books & Tea** ~ Tools for Spiritual Practice. \$5 by donation. 7:30 pm at 130 S. Main Street, Suite 101, Sebastopol ~ 707-829-8871 ~ www.manyriversbooks.com

Second Thursdays ~ **Book Discussion Group** ~ Bring a brown bag lunch, book, & banter. 12:30-1:30 pm in the Forum Room at the Library, 14107 Armstrong Woods Rd., Guerneville ~ 707-869-9004 ~ www.sonomalibrary.org/bookgroup/Guerneville_bk.html

Third Thursdays ~ **Writer's Forum** ~ Explore the craft and business of writing. \$15 at the door. 7:00-9:00 pm, Petaluma Community Center at Luchessi Park, 320 No. McDowell Blvd., Petaluma ~ www.theWriteSpot.us

Alternate Fridays ~ **Writing Group for Adults** ~ All writing levels invited to polish your prose with Chester Aaron. Fees \$10-\$20; donated to Occidental Center for the Arts. Alternate Fridays, 1:00-3:00 pm at private home in Occidental. *RSVP*: 707-874-9392 or chgarlic@comcast.net

1st & 3rd Saturdays ~ **Finding your Voice: A Women's Writing Workshop** ~ Writing exercises, sharing works, & feedback. \$15 each; 11:00-1:00. Contact Lee Meryl Senior, 707-869-2407, lms@neteze.com

First Sundays ~ **Redwood Writers Club** ~ Join us for our monthly meeting. Oct: Stefanie Freele. \$3 members/\$5 non-members. Light refreshments. 3:00-5:00 pm at Copperfield's Books, 2316 Montgomery Drive, Santa Rosa (*New location!*) ~ 707-578-8938 ~ www.redwoodwriters.org

Second Sundays ~ **Westword** ~ Second Sunday Salon with facilitator Gor Yaswen. \$1.00 donation. 4:00 pm in the Library Room of Sebastopol Center for the Arts, 6780 Depot Street, Sebastopol ~ 707-829-1549 ~ www.sebarts.org

Third Sundays ~ **Healdsburg Literary Guild Salon** ~ Featured speaker, followed by open mic if time allows. Free & open to the public. 2:00-4:00 pm at City Hall, 401 Grove Street at North, Healdsburg ~ 707-433-7119 or healdsburgliteraryguild@gmail.com

Last Sundays ~ **Poetry, Pints, & Prose** ~ Bring poem or prose, 5-min piece. 5:00 sign up, featured reading at 5:30, followed by open mic. Last Sundays at Maguire's Irish Pub, 145 Kentucky St, Petaluma ~ Michelle, 707-326-3773 ~ PoetryPintsProse@aol.com

Monthly ~ **Searchlights & Signal Flares** ~ Let a flash of your own light be seen & shared! Your response to questions will be published on the website (no fuss, muss or editing). Selections appear in print. Full details at ~ www.tiny-lights.com

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