

best bets

A weekend's worth (and more) of fun events in the suburbs and city

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THIS WEEKEND

Tasty discounts

There are plenty of restaurants offering dining deals as part of the ongoing **Geneva Restaurant Week**, while both **Chicago Restaurant Week** and **Naperville Restaurant Week** start up this weekend. For more information on participating restaurants, visit genevachamber.com, dinenaperville.com or choosechicago.com. **Geneva Restaurant Week** runs through Sunday, Jan. 26; **Naperville Restaurant Week** and **Chicago Restaurant Week** run Friday, Jan. 24, through Sunday, Feb. 9

Symphonic pop

The **Elgin Symphony Orchestra** teams up with the rock tribute band **Jeans 'n Classics** for "Abbey Road: The Beatles" concerts this weekend at two locations: first at the Harris Theater for Music and Dance, 205 E. Randolph Drive, Chicago, \$40-\$60; then at the Hemmens Cultural Center, 45 Symphony Way, Elgin. \$65. (847) 888-4000 or elginsymphony.org. **7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24, in Chicago and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, in Elgin**

Comic operetta

Franz Lehár's classic 1905 romantic comic operetta "The Merry Widow" gets updated to the 1920s this weekend in performances by the **New Philharmonic** at College of DuPage's McAninch Arts Center, 425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn. \$57-\$59. (630) 942-4000 or atthemac.org. **7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Jan. 24-25, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26**



COURTESY OF MORTON ARBORETUM

Huskies will be on hand for the annual Husky Heroes event at the Morton Arboretum in Lisle.

TOP PICK



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Comic ventriloquist Terry Fator tours to Waukegan's Genesee Theatre and Aurora's Paramount Theatre this weekend.

Such characters!

Celebrated comic ventriloquist and Las Vegas stalwart **Terry Fator** tours with his merry menagerie of puppets to two area locations this weekend: first at the Genesee Theatre, 203 N. Genesee St., Waukegan, (847) 263-6300, \$49.50-\$204.50; then on Saturday at the Paramount Theatre, 23 E. Galena Blvd., Aurora, (630) 896-6666 or paramountaurora.com, \$79-\$99. **8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24, in Waukegan and 3 and 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, in Aurora**

Snow dogs

The annual **Husky Heroes** event returns this weekend with demonstrations of sled-pulling, "skijoring" and more. Families can take photos with Siberian huskies and also learn about owning them via Adopt-a-Husky at the Morton Arboretum, 4100 Illinois Route 53, Lisle. \$15; \$13 seniors; \$10 kids 2-17. (630) 968-0074 or mortonarb.org. **9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 25-26**

Tickling the ivories

More than 450 pianists of all ages are set to play on 12 grand

pianos as part of **American Grands 25** at the Elgin Community College's Blizzard Theatre, 1700 Spartan Drive, Elgin. \$24; \$15 kids 12 and younger. (847) 622-0300 or elgin.edu/arts. **1, 4 and 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25**

Architectural arts

Two new exhibits open up this Saturday at the **Elmhurst Art Museum**. One is a survey of works by the late Elmhurst-based artist-curator **Sandra Jorgensen**, while **Joseph Altschuler** and **Zack Morrison's** "Could Be Architecture: McCormick AfterParti" features playful interventions throughout the Museum's historic McCormick House using its original 1952 floor plan. See them both at 150 S. Cottage Hill Ave., Elmhurst. \$15; \$12 seniors; free admission for students and kids 18 and younger. (630) 834-0202 or elmhurstartmuseum.org. **Opening reception at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25; exhibits continue through Sunday, April 12**

OAKLEE'S GUIDE FAMILY PICK



Winged predators

See live owls, falcons and hawks up-close as part of a **Real Raptors Presentation** by Peck Farm Park and the Northern Illinois Raptor Rehab and Education Center on Saturday at Geneva Park District's Sunset Community Center, 710 Western Ave., Geneva. \$10 (preregistration recommended). (630) 232-4542 or genevaparks.org. **11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25**

Hear about Real Raptors at the Geneva Park District's Sunset Community Center Saturday, Jan. 25.



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