

Tuesday, May 13, 2003

## Summer music festival kicks off June 10

By Jeff Samoray, OU Web Writer

**Meadow Brook Music Festival** begins its 2003 summer season Tuesday, June 10, with one of the most exciting, eclectic rock performers of the 1990s who continues to extend his collage-like sounds into this decade.

Beck, whose diverse music incorporates hip-hop, blues, folk, country, psychedelic and experimental sounds, will open the season at the outdoor amphitheatre on the campus of Oakland University. The annual summer festival offers a variety of entertainment choices including pop, rock, country, jazz and folk music; comedy; and children's productions. It also is the summer home of the **Detroit Symphony Orchestra**.

Other performances this summer include Norah Jones, who won eight Grammy Awards this year including Album of the Year, Record of the Year, Song of the Year and Best New Artist. Also performing this year are jazz artists Earl Klugh and Alexander Zonjic; the funky soul and handcrafted acoustic sounds of Ben Harper; vocalists Tracy Chapman, kd lang and Tori Amos; and comedians Carrot Top and Weird Al Yankovic. Family events include the Detroit Public TV Kids Club Live featuring Elmo, Arthur and Clifford the Big Red Dog and the Family Funfest featuring SpongeBob SquarePants. Other events such as the Trinity Irish Dance Company and Michigan Wine and Food Festival provide entertainment for all tastes.

Lawn and pavilion seating can be purchased for all events at the Palace Box Office, all **Ticketmaster** outlets, online at the **Palace** Web site, or by calling (248) 645-6666 and charging to American Express, Discover, VISA or MasterCard.

Tickets for Detroit Symphony Orchestra performances can be purchased at the DSO Box Office, on the **Detroit Symphony Orchestra** Web site, or by calling (313) 576-5111.

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To act on an offer, simply follow the instructions listed on the page for the specific event. Typically, all events will offer several methods of redemption. A preferred method is listed to increase your chance of reserving a ticket. The Palace recommends redeeming the offer as far in advance as possible. Seating is based on availability and cannot be guaranteed for those who redeem their offer at the box office on the day of the event.

## 2003 MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	ARTIST	LAWN SEATING	PAVILION SEATING
June 10	7 p.m.	Beck	\$35	\$35
June 14	TBD	Smooth Jazzfest	\$30	\$45
June 24	6:30 p.m.	Ben Harper	\$40	\$40
June 25	1 and 6	Detroit Public TV	\$12	\$15
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June 28-29	Noon	Michigan Wine	\$11 designated d		
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July 5	8 p.m.	Norah Jones	\$30	\$50	
July 8	7:30 p.m.	Tracy Chapman	\$20	\$32.50	
July 9	7:30 p.m.	Widespread Panic	\$28	\$28	
July 11-12	8 p.m.	Detroit Symphony Orchestra	\$15	\$55, \$40, \$20	
July 13	TBD	Detroit Symphony Orchestra	\$13	\$55, \$35, \$18	
July 16	7:30 p.m.	Michael Kaeshammer	\$10	\$20	
July 17 2 and 7 p.m.		Family Funfest featuring SpongeBob SquarePants	\$10	\$15	
July 18-19	8 p.m.	Detroit Symphony Orchestra	\$15 	\$55, \$40, \$20	
July 20	6 p.m.	Detroit Symphony Orchestra	\$13	\$55, \$35, \$18	
July 22	8 p.m.	Carrot Top	\$15	\$25	
July 24	7:30 p.m.	Honky Tonk Tailgate	\$9.99	\$22.50	
July 25-26	8 p.m.	Detroit Symphony Orchestra	\$15	\$55, \$40, \$20	
July 27	6 p.m.	Detroit Symphony Orchestra	\$13	\$55, \$35, \$18	
July 31	7:30 p.m.	Trinity Irish Dance Company	\$15	\$35, \$25	
August 1-2	8 p.m.	Detroit Symphony Orchestra	\$15	\$55, \$40, \$20	
August 3	6 p.m.	Detroit Symphony Orchestra	\$13	\$55, \$35, \$18	
August 5	7 p.m.	Chris Isaak	\$25	\$45	
August 8-9	8 p.m.	Detroit Symphony Orchestra	\$15	\$55, \$40, \$20	
August 10	6 p.m.	Detroit Symphony Orchestra	\$15	\$55, \$35, \$18	
August 15	7 p.m.	Tori Amos	\$29.50	\$39.50	
August 19	8 p.m.	kd lang	\$25	\$46.50	
August 22	8 p.m.	Weird Al Yankovic	\$18.50	\$34.50	
August 23	8 p.m.	Get Back! The Cast of Beatlemania	\$10	\$20	
August 24	8 p.m.	David Sanborn	\$18.50	\$34.50	
September 10-14 8 p.m.		Rob Becker's Defending the Caveman	\$25	\$39.50	