"Mary Poppins Jr." takes to the Little Victory Theatre Nov. 18 2 and Dec. 2. Courtesy Alberta Thompson

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We now bring you breaking news of important arts and entertainment events happening Friday through Sunday on Staten Island.

## 'Mary Poppins Jr.' at Little Victory Theatre

The Little Victory Theatre

in Travis presents "Mary Poppins Jr.": If you know this Disney classic, you wont want to miss this 55-minute production. This family-friendly production runs Saturday and Dec. 2. Show times are 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. for both dates and tickets are \$15. For more information, call 718-524-8467 or email littlevictory16@gmail.com. The Little Victory Theatre, 4089 Victory Blvd Travis.

## 'Nine' at Wagner College Theatre

"Nine" is playing at Wagner College's Main Stage Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m., with matinees Saturday and Sunday at 2 p.m. Can't make it this weekend? The show will be playing again Nov. 30 through Dec. 3. The production is directed by Gregg Wiggins, musically directed by Dr. Lauri Young and choreographed by Carissa Bellando. Tickets range from \$28-\$32 and can be purchased by calling 718-390-3259 or visiting Wagner.edu/ Theatre. Wagner College, 1 Campus Road, Grymes Hill.

## 'Into the Madness and Back to Sanity'

The black box theatre production of "Into the Madness and Back to Sanity" takes to HUB 17 in Stapleton this weekend. The production - hosted at an intimate venue that seats 25 — features playwrights and directors Lawrence F. Schwabacher, Kimbra Eberly,



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Margaret Chase and Mike Veasey. Don't let the space stop you from snagging a ticket, though. Thirteen local actors will be digging deep into the emotional roller-coaster of a show. The production brings up the topic of dating, music, dramatic truths and the world of emotional madness. Basically, it's an experience you'll have to have firsthand. Saturday's show starts at 8 p.m., Sunday's is at 3 p.m. Doors open a half an hour before show time. Tickets are \$20 per person and available at Hub17.vapsody. com. HUB 17, 73 Wave St., Sta-

## **Knights of Columbus** holiday fair

The Fr. John C. Drumgoole Knights of Columbus Columbiettes' council hosts its annual holiday fair Sunday from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free and there will be food, vendors and raffles. Council Hall, 397 Clarke Ave., Richmond.

## Do-it-yourself Thanksgiving floats

Who says you have to go to Manhattan to see Thanksgiving floats up close?

The Staten Island Children's Museum hosts a workshop helping kids create their own displays good enough to make Macy's

jealous on Sunday starting at 1 p.m. When all is said and done, there will be a float parade around Snug Harbor's meadow area at 3:30 p.m. The workshop is free with museum admission. For more information, visit SIChildrensMuseum. org. Staten Island Children's Museum, 1000 Richmond Terrace, Building M, Livingston.

## Opening reception for 'Portrayals'

The Creative Photographers Guild (CPG) Gallery presents "Portrayals," a collection featuring photographer Doug Schwab at its gallery this weekend. The opening reception is Saturday from 5 to 8 p.m. The exhibit consists of an array of portrait-style photos, and is up through Jan. 14. Other artists will be exhibiting their works. For more information, visit CPGGallery. org. CPG Gallery, 814 Richmond Terrace, Livingston.

## **Tibetan Museum** holiday sale

The Jacques Marchais

Museum of Tibetan Art hosts a holiday fair Saturday and Sunday, beginning at 1 p.m. both days. Vendors of Tibetan art as well as holiday goodies will take over the museum all weekend. On Saturday from 1 to 3 p.m., Tom Matteo will sign copies of his book, "Legendary Locals of Staten Island." On Sunday at 2 p.m., the Sri Lankan Dance Academy of New York will perform at the fair. Jacques Marchais Museum of Tibetan Art, 338 Lighthouse Ave., Lighthouse

## **Forest restoration** workshop

Protectors of The Pine Oaks Woods takes a group of nature-loving Staten Islanders out to Deere Park to get their hands dirty and see

urday. Starting at 10 a.m., the group will explore the trail toward the Butterworth Avenue entrance, where they will cut and/or uproot various invasive vines. After the work is done, the group will take to nearby trails. If you don't have a pair of gloves, organizers will supply them. Service credit is available for those who attend. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, call Don Recklies at 718-768-9036 or Chuck Perry at 718-667-1393. The group of participants are set to meet in the parking lot at the end of Staten Island Boulevard, south of The Michael J. Petrides School. Deere Park, near Butterworth Avenue entrance

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## 'A Look at Staten Island's Pre-History'

Check out Roxanne Jacobson's "A Look at Staten Island's Pre-History" exhibit, which pays homage to Native American Heritage month. It's open now at the Lenape Gallery at the Conference House Park Visitor Center. Jacobson examines, though her photography, how industry and development has affected the Island's prehistoric sites, revealing what is, what was, and what may be possible. The collection will be up through Jan. 28. For more information, visit NYC.gov/ parks/art or call 718-227-1463. Conference House Park Visitor Center, 298 Satterlee St., Tottenville.

### **Exhibits at Newhouse Center**

A new photo series graces the walls of the Newhouse Center in Snug Harbor Cultural Center and Botanical Gardens starting this weekend: "MVMT: Sketches," an ongoing study of the contour the body and how storytelling is expressed with the skeletal-medium by Brandon Perdomo. The exhibit will run through Dec. 21. An artist talk with Perdomo free with gallery admission — is scheduled for Dec. 2, from 2 to 3 p.m., in the New-

reception is Saturday from 2 to 5 p.m. Both the reception and the exhibition are free. and the public is invited. The collection will be up until Jan. 31. Wagner College Gallery, Union Building, 631 Howard Ave., Grymes Hill.

Kids can make their own Thanksgiving floats this Sunday at the Staten Island Children's

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uled for tonight at 7. General

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Center is \$5, \$4 for students/

seniors and free for Snug

Harbor members. Hours

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For more information, visit

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## Thanksgiving at the Staten Island Zoo

The Staten Island Zoo breaks out its annual "Thanksgiving with the Beasts" exhibition on Saturday. Visitors can participate as zookeepers, making special food for the animals. Native American culture will also be celebrated through performances by Red Storm Drum and Dance Troupe. The program goes from noon to 3 p.m. and the event is free with admission to the zoo. Visit StatenIslandZoo.org for more information. Staten Island Zoo, 614 Broadway, West Brighton.

## 'Giving Thanks for Song' The Riverside Opera

Company (ROC) presents "Giving Thanks for Song," a performance under the direction of Maestro Alan Aurelia at the Snug Harbor Music Hall on Saturday. The concert features winners

of local auditions covering songs from the Beatles, the Monkees, Marvin Gaye to opera favorites like "Turandot," "Marriage of Figaro" and more. Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. Show starts at 8 p.m. Students and kids get in for free. For more information, call 718-876-7945. Snug Harbor Cultural Center and Botanical Garden, 1000 Richmond Terrace, Livingston.

## **Students interview** Veterans

Staten Island OutLOUD

and St. Adalbert's School co-host a conversation with veterans at the Richmond Town Library on Saturday. "Veteran Interviews: The 'True Grit' of Our Vets" is part of Staten Island OutLOUD's current series for the National Endowment for the Arts/ The Big Read on Charles Portis' classic novel "True Grit', which was adapted into two award-winning films. Students will interview veterans in the auditorium starting at 2 p.m. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, email sioutloud@ vahoo.com. Richmond Town Library, 200 Clarke Ave., Richmond.



#### Pride Center of Staten Island on Saturday. The event which runs from 11:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. — will include a movie screening, lunch and a memorial service. The Transgender Day of Remembrance was started by transgender advocate Gwendolyn Ann Smith as a vigil to honor the memory of Rita Hester, a transgender woman who was killed in 1998. The vigil commemorated all the transgender

people lost to violence that

year and was the start of an

ment. Check out the official

Facebook page for updates

and details. Pride Center of

Staten Island, 25 Victory Blvd.

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## 'Big Red' at **CANVAS Institute**

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The CANVAS Institute presents "Big Red NYC," a series of eight bold red paintings by Vince MacDermot all weekend. The art show will bring to life two fictional characters from the series: "Johnny Walker Old School" and the "Spiritual Spartan." Admission is free and the exhibition. which runs through Jan. 20. A portion of the profits will go to local nonprofits devoted to youth and community development. For more information, contact the CANVAS Institute at 718- ω 273-6160. The CANVAS Institute, 60 Bay St., Stapleton.

## Deadline to be in

For your event to be considered for next week's online and print Weekend Alert roundup, we need your detailed info before 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17. Email vpriola@siadvance.com with the four Ws and we'll do our best to show your arts and entertainment events some love.

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