

# Alpena Entertainment

## Reviews — The Bottom Line This Month

Enya's album 'Watermark' is, to put it very simply, a pleasure for the senses. This album is one of the most "perfect" albums I have heard in a long time.

The album is mostly instrumental, with the music being clean and beautifully arranged. Enya's excellent voice is skilfully blended with superb music, almost to the point where her voice becomes the music, and the music her voice.

The current single from the album, "Orinoco Flow(sail away)" is not at all representative of the rest of the album. "Orinoco Flow" is a more of an easy listening-pop style of tune than the rest of the album, which could almost be called semi-operatic.

Enya gets my highest rating and a very enthusiastic endorsement.

At long last the imitable Robyn Hitchcock has returned. Queen Elvis, his latest effort is a

five star lp. Hitchcock once again lives up to his title of #1 Post-modern artist, with such songs as "Madonna of the Wasps" and "One Long Pair of Eyes"; the listener is treated to a 40 minute taste of the sublime.

Queen Elvis is totally written by Hitchcock and produced by Hitchcock and bassist Andy Metcalfe. The sound of the lp is clear and the ring of Hitchcock's and REM guitarist Peter Buck's 12 strings give Queen Elvis a Byrds-like feel throughout.

The songs are all strong, with the featured cuts being "Madonna of the Wasps" and "One Long Pair of Eyes".

To the uninitiated, Hitchcock seems to write the wierdest songs imaginable, but, to quote Hitchcock, "I hate Artists...they should be shot." With this quote, Hitchcock gives us a glimpse of his true nature.

I would strongly suggest this album to anyone who wants "something a little different."

The Bottom Line Report Card	
Robyn Hitchcock	
Lyrics	A
Music	A
Performance	A
Production	A
Final Grade	A

### Dig the Good Earth..

The Bottom Line Report Card	
ENYA	
Lyrics	A-
Music	A
Performance	A
Production	A+
Final Grade	A

## Productions To Appear At TBT

Thunder Bay Theatre's future prospects include four summer productions as well as a winter touring company.

The summer schedule contains two comedies and two full-scale musicals.

The season opener is a musical designed for family enjoyment. You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" brings to life Charles Schulz's familiar Peanuts characters. This show runs from June 21-25, 28, and July 2, 5-8.

The second musical entitled, "The Robber Bridegroom", based on a book by Alfred Uhry, is a "country hoedown" with a Robin Hood theme, says Theatre manager Kevin Burnham. "The Robber Bridegroom" will contain the season's largest cast, including musicians, running July 12-16, 19-23, and 26-29.

On the dates August 2-6 and 9-13

is the comedy "Nurse Jane goes to Hawaii", Allen Stratton's farcical tale of a Harlequin Romance writer's vacation which inspires a new novel.

The summer finale is a timeless comedy by Joseph Kesselring, "Arsenic and Old Lace". The play follows the adventures of two seemingly innocent sisters, who collect the remains of their more acceptable borders, along with their madcap nephew, who has delusions of grandeur as Teddy Roosevelt. This winds up the summer season August 16-19 and 23-27.

Burnham explained how TBT came to employ their present company of actors. Each live professional theater in Michigan pays dues to the Michigan Theater Association, which holds annual auditions in February. There theater directors can view and hire

prospective actors. 80% of the audition participants are college students aged 18-22.

When asked if he would like to see future ACC students involved in theater, Burnham replied that he is interested in developing an intern program in conjunction with the college. In this program, students would receive college credits by learning about both the creative and technical aspects of production.

In an effort to improve the revenues of TBT, the company will put together a touring show for the fall and winter season. The theme will be substance and alcohol abuse and will be presented to various schools.

Burnham feels the live theater forum, would help to increase the impact of the message, as well as expose young people to theater.

The Jesse Besser Museum once again will offer its Summer Super Sunday Specials this year.

Events scheduled over the summer months will include a lecture/display presentation, Sunday, July 30th by Michelle Gauthier. An internationally known artist, Gauthier's subject matter is primarily that of Native Americans. Her lecture is entitled, "Native American Arts and Crafts."

On July 16, ACC Instructor Joe Donna will be giving an art workshop for kids entitled "Lighthouses in Mixed Media."

Richard Moell of Ann Arbor will give a lecture on July 23 entitled "Architectural/Artistic Interpretation of Lighthouses in the Great Lakes Area."

Also in celebration of National Lighthouse Year, artist Leo Kushel will give the presentation "Artist Architectural Designs/Styles of Lighthouses in Michigan" on June 11.

Destined to be an exciting summer at JBM, the above events serve to compliment the ever changing schedule of exhibits the Museum offers this year.

## Area Activities Occuring this Summer

Now that finals week is fast approaching our thoughts are beginning to turn to summer activities. The good news is that our area is provided with many events ranging from the Alpena County Fair, for you fun-loving folks, to the annual Brown Trout Festival, for you serious trout seekers. Let this serve as your official guide to summer activities:

### 1) HUBBARD LAKE-

Manjidiwin Days, June 23-25 Manjidiwin means "A gathering of the people for a celebration." The setting is the Lions Park in downtown Hubbard Lake. The three day event consists of dinners, games, and a sunset run to take place over the course of the weekend. Music and dancing provide nightly excitement; in addition, a triathlon is held in conjunction with other activities.

2) ALPENA - Brown Trout Festival, July 13-23. To kick off this event, dancing will be held in the big tent on July 13 with the search for "Big Brownie" to commence on July 15. Art on the Bay, an ice cream social and sidewalk sales highlight this event with the awards ceremony and a fireworks display to close it all down on July 23.

3) OSSINEKE - Old Fashioned Days, Aug. 5-6. Events include an old-fashioned parade, arts & crafts displays along with various games and contests, street dancing will be held both nights.

4) ALPENA- County fair, Aug. 20-26. The annual 4-H fair welcomes the award winning band HIGHWAY 101 to their schedule. Draft horse pulls, the ever-popular demolition derby, games, a rodeo, tractor pulls, and much more will be there for your enjoyment.

5) HARRISVILLE - Arts & crafts show, Sept. 2-3. The Annual arts and crafts show is held every Labor Day weekend on the courthouse lawn. It offers a wide variety of arts and crafts displays- something for everyone.

6) POSEN - Potato Festival, Sept. 8-10. Attractions include an annual parade, flea market and Polish food. A contest judging potato dishes provides a unique aspect to the festival. Live music each day.

Other area events include the Thunder Bay Canoe Races (June 3-4) and the Rogers City Nautical Festival.

There you have it- your guide to area events; there is something for everyone. Enjoy!

For more information on these and other events, contact the Chamber of Commerce.

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## Museum

## Schedules

## Summer

## Events



## THUNDER BAY THEATER PRESENTS

### 1989 SUMMER SEASON

How the Other Half Loves	A Farce
by Alan Ayckbourn	
May 19-21, 26-28	
You're A Good Man Charlie Brown	A Musical
June 21-25, 28-July 2, 5-8	
Robber Bridegroom	A Musical
July 12-16, 19-23, 26-29	
Nurse Jane Goes to Hawaii	A Comedy
Aug. 2-6, 9-13	
Arsenic And Old Lace	A Comedy
Aug. 16-19, 23-27	

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