

New York

Three mapped-out summer days for the East Coast aficionado

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July 27: Pablo Picasso, *Les Femmes d'Alger (O. J. R. Version O)*, 1907. Oil on canvas. Acquired through the Lillie P. Bliss Bequest. © 2007 Estate of Pablo Picasso/Artists Rights Society (ARS), New York.

Friday, July 27th, 2007

MUSEUM: *Picasso's Femmes d'Alger at 100* at **The Museum of Modern Art**. The exhibition reunites the iconic *Les Femmes* with a group of its preparatory studies; selected works dating from immediately before and after the famed painting's creation highlight its generative role in the artist's oeuvre. 11 W. 53rd Street, New York. Information: 212.708.9400.



July 27: Katharina Christl in *Metapolis II*. Photo by Pino Pipitone. Image courtesy Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts.

RESTAURANT: With a commitment to freshness, exceptional quality, organic produce and respect for the environment, **Estiatorio Milos** offers Greek cuisine at its modern best. 125 W. 55th Street, New York. Reservations: 212.245.7400.

SHOW: *Metapolis II* at **Lincoln Center Festival 2007**. Created by Ballet National de Marseille Artistic Director Frédéric Flamand and Pritzker Prize-winning architect Zaha Hadid, the evening-length convergence of contemporary dance and cutting-edge architecture promises to deliver. 132 W. 65th Street, New York. Tickets: 212.721.6500.



August 11: *Spring Awakening* cast members Jonathan Groff, Skylar Astin, and John Gallagher, Jr. perform "The Bitch of Living". Photo by Joan Marcus.

Saturday, August 11th, 2007

GALLERY: Check out **Gagosian Gallery's** latest offering, a summer exhibition examining the theme of reclining. Don't miss the scarlet brushstrokes of Jenny Saville's enigmatic *Suspension*. 555 W. 24th Street, New York. Information: 212.741.1111.

RESTAURANT: **Oscar's American Brasserie** in the Waldorf Astoria. Oscar's three course prix-fixe dinner specials, quarterly microbrew beer dinners and seasonal menus consistently delight New Yorkers and out-of-towners alike. 310 Park Avenue, New York. Reservations: 212.872.4920.

SHOW: *Spring Awakening* at the **Eugene O'Neill Theatre**. A dynamic young cast embarks on an exhilarating alt-rock musical journey, boldly depicting how a dozen young people make their way through the thrilling, complicated, confusing and mysterious time of their sexual awakening. The production has been nominated for eleven Tony Awards. 230 W. 49th Street, New York. Tickets: 800.432.7780.



September 9: *Shakespeare in the Park*. Photo by Michal Daniel.

Sunday, September 9th, 2007

GALLERY: *Rudolf Stingel* at the **Whitney Museum of American Art**. Using a variety of materials—rubber, carpet, painted aluminum, Styrofoam, and paint—Stingel's work examines a number of themes concerning painting today. 945 Madison Avenue, New York. Information: 800.WHITNEY.

RESTAURANT: A New York classic, the **Central Park Boathouse** remains an icon of Central Park. Dine overlooking the lake and enjoy a relaxing afternoon lunch or romantic summertime dinner. E. 72nd Street and Park Drive North, New York. Reservations: 212.517.2233.

SHOW: *A Midsummer Night's Dream* at **The Delacorte Theater** in Central Park. Since 1962, *Shakespeare in the Park* presented by the Public Theater has provided New Yorkers with exquisite, open-air performances. Admission remains free. Tickets: 212.260.2400. ■