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The fine arts

Two of a kind

Members of the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra offer two benefit concerts this weekend: an orchestral concert at 8 p.m. Friday at the Community Music School, 560 Trinity Avenue, and an evening with Garrison Keillor at 7:30 p.m. Sunday at Manchester United Methodist Church, 129 Woods Mill Road. www.stlsymphony.org.

If you're missing the regular concert fare of the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, you can hear its musicians in concert on Friday night and hear its musicians featured as soloists. Stepping out from the ranks will be violinists Nicolae Bica, Silvian Iticovici, Jenny Lind Jones, Dana Edson Myers and Manuel Ramos; clarinetist Diana Haskell; oboist Barbara Herr Orland; French hornist Tod Bowermaster; and bass trombonist Gerry Pagano. The program includes music by J.S. Bach, Mozart and Vivaldi - and Haruka Watanabe, a member of the first violin section and composer. His "Elegy: in Memory of September 11, 2001" for Harp and String Orchestra will be heard. This concert is a benefit for the Community Music School and offers the option of reserved seating and parking. For an advance donation of \$100, you can have a seat, a parking space



From left, Lisa McCormick, J.D. Goldblatt and Henry Vick bring "The Two Gentlemen of Verona" to the University of Missouri at St. Louis and Southern Illinois University Edwardsville this weekend.

and the opportunity to attend a post-concert reception. Call Nancy Higgins at 314-968-6959 for more information, Garrison Keillor fans will want to join him on Sunday for "Music in the Air: A Spiritual Evening." The program includes Keillor reading from his own work and that of others, along with instrumental music and spirituals to celebrate the "In Unison" program. To find out more, call Chris Woehr at 314-664-4339.

Playing "Hearts"

Muddy Waters Theatre Company presents "Criminal Hearts" at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday and 7 p.m. Sunday through March 6 at the Theatre at St. John's, 5000 Washington Place. \$16 general admission \$13 for students and older adults. 314-540-7831.

Muddy Waters devotes each season to plays by a single author. But this season, "single" might not be the word. True, the award-winning, never-photographed "Jane Martin" is widely assumed to be a pen name for Jon Jory, former artistic director of Actors Theatre of Louisville (and a wellknown director whose work has appeared on stages around the country, including the Muny). But others believe that "Jane Martin" is two people: Jory and his wife, Marsha, a noted costume designer. Or Jory and somebody else. Or somebody else, period. Anybody who knows for sure isn't talking. But fans don't need to recognize Jane Martin's face to identify her wicked comedy style. This play deals with a loony revenge plot concocted by two women, a burglar and a neurotic housewife whose ex-husband cleaned her out.

Mixed media

The St. Louis Classical Guitar Society presents guitarist Lukas Kuropaczewski and violinist Katarzyna Bryla at 8 p.m. Saturday