

Stephanie Blythe as the imperious Madame de la Haltière. Bertrand de Billy conducts Laurent Pelly's imaginative storybook production. \$15, \$19 & \$21. 276-660-2091, www.cinemark.com

Storytelling

• **MAY 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29:** The International Storytelling Center features four **Jonesborough Storytellers Guild** members at 7 p.m. Members are tellers of tales, singers of songs, workers of magic or just honest liars. 423-913-2166, www.storytellersguild.org

• **MAY 1-5:** The International Storytelling Center's **Teller in Residence** program features a different storyteller each week. **Bil Lepp** tells tales at 2 p.m. daily and an **evening** performance **May 3** at 7:30 p.m. Lepp is an internationally-known storyteller, author and recording artist whose style has been described as a satisfying blend of Bob Newhart and Jeff Foxworthy. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$11 for seniors, students and children under 18 years of age. 800-952-8392 or 423-913-1276, www.storytellingcenter.net

• **MAY 6:** The **Beaver Creek Storytellers** tell tales at the Bristol Public Library, Bristol, Va., from 3-4:30 p.m. Enjoy homespun stories from the heart. Free, but donations welcomed. Enter at the back upper level of the library. www.bristol-library.org

• **MAY 8-12:** The International Storytelling Center's **Teller in Residence** program features a different storyteller each week. **Alton Takiyama-Chung** tells tales at 2 p.m. daily. His finely spun stories are delivered with a deep sense of reverence and authenticity. He has performed across the U.S. and abroad, including international storytelling festivals in the Cayman Islands, Singapore, Vietnam and Thailand. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$11 for seniors, students and children under 18 years of age. 800-952-8392 or 423-913-1276, www.storytellingcenter.net

• **MAY 15-19:** The International Storytelling Center's **Teller in Residence** program features a different storyteller each week. **Elizabeth Ellis** tells tales at 2 p.m. daily. The "Divine Miss E" is a versatile teller of Appalachian and Texas tales and stories of heroic American women. An award-winning author, she is a recipient of the John Henry Faulk award from the Tejas Storytelling Association, and the



Justin Tyler Lewis and Amara Ajia in a scene from "In The Heat of the Night" at Barter Theatre.

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• **MAY 20- JUNE 2:** The International Storytelling Center's **Teller in Residence** program features a different storyteller each week. **Jennifer Munro** tells tales at 2 p.m. daily. Her repertoire not only includes personal stories but also fairy and folk tales, myths, and legends, which she brings to life with compelling character voices and her delightful British accent. Munro has performed on national public radio and across the nation. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$11 for seniors, students and children under 18 years of age. 800-952-8392 or 423-913-1276, www.storytellingcenter.net

• **MAY 22-26:** The International Storytelling Center's **Teller in Residence** program features a different storyteller each week. **Jennifer Munro** tells tales at 2 p.m. daily. Her repertoire not only includes personal stories but also fairy and folk tales, myths, and legends, which she brings to life with compelling character voices and her delightful British accent. Munro has performed on national public radio and across the nation. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$11 for seniors, students and children under 18 years of age. 800-952-8392 or 423-913-1276, www.storytellingcenter.net

• **MAY 28:** The **Yarn Exchange** tells stories with the theme "Salute to Veterans" at the International Storytelling Center, Jonesborough, Tenn., at 7 p.m. Musical guests are **Freddie**

Vanderford and Brandon Turner. \$5. www.jonesboroughtn.org

Theater

• **CLOSING MAY 5:** "Shakespeare's **Richard III**" is on Barter Stage II, Abingdon, Va. The deceptive and sadistic Richard, Duke of Gloucester, stops at nothing to become King. With intelligence, political brilliance and dazzling use of language, he keeps his subjects and rivals under his thumb. This production is an original adaptation by Barter's Shakespeare expert. 276-628-3991, www.bartertheatre.com

• **MAY 11-20:** Kingsport Theatre Guild presents "**Steel Magnolias**" at the Renaissance Center, Kingsport, Tenn. Friday and Saturday performances are at 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday matinees are at 2 p.m. Adults \$12, senior/student \$10 and children \$8. 423-392-8427, www.kingsporttheatre.org

• **CLOSING MAY 12:** "In the Heat of the Night" is on the Gilliam Stage at Barter Theatre, Abingdon, Va. Based on the award-winning book that inspired the Oscar-winning film and the Emmy-winning television series. It's 1962. A hot August night lies heavy over the small town of Argo, Ala. A dead white man is discovered. The local police arrest a black stranger named Virgil Tibbs, but discover their prime suspect is a homicide detective from California. As it happens, Tibbs becomes the racially tense community's only hope in solving a brutal murder that is turning up no witnesses, no

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THE MUSIC OF JOHN WILLIAMS

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