

WEEKEND PICKS

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Get ready to dance

'90s dance music is back en vogue, but the progressive, evocative sounds from the duo the Orb have always been a few steps ahead of its peers. The many druggy, ambient-inclined albums owe as much to Brian Eno as classic house, and the Orb's sets are master classes in creating danceable space and texture. Fonda Theatre, 6126 Hollywood Blvd., L.A. 9 p.m. Thu. \$25. goldenvoice.com.

THEATER

Myth in the ocean mist

In Travis Preston's graceful staging of Aeschylus' "Prometheus Bound" at the Getty Villa's beautiful outdoor theater, Prometheus is carted out on a wagon and chained to a giant, 5-ton wheel. An immobilized protagonist presents undeniable dramatic problems. But the text is so complexly woven and philosophically rich that it cries out for



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Tarfest at the Tar Pits

Spend an afternoon basking in the weird, gooey scent that wafts off Miracle Mile's famous Tar Pits at Tarfest, a free concert staged at La Brea Tar Pits Park. Bands performing include Saint Motel, Nightmare Air, Echosmith, Tapioca and the Flea and IronTOM. A variety of gourmet food trucks will be on hand. There will also be a beer garden and a nice selection of California wines. La Brea Tar Pits Park, 5801 Wilshire Blvd., L.A. 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sat. Free. www.tarfest.com.

FILM

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Catch a wave to Beach Ball Festival in Santa Monica

A full weekend of beachy music awaits at the Beach Ball Festival, where classic ska and neo-soul team up for an eminently summery bill. The Skatelites, Lee Fields, Allen Stone and Aloe Blacc are among the headliners. Bring sunscreen. Santa Monica Pier, Santa Monica. 3 p.m. Sat.-Sun. \$14-\$140. beachballfest.com.

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M83's Anthony Gonzalez at the Hollywood Bowl

In 2011, M83's Anthony Gonzalez's decade-long career had a stunning rebirth, one that's dramatically changed the synth-rocker's place in the pop stratosphere. Since the release of that year's "Hurry Up, We're Dreaming," he's become a major international artist, scoring the Tom Cruise film "Oblivion," landing a top billing at the Coachella Valley Music and Arts Festival, and seeing his single, "Midnight City," deemed the best of 2011 by the king-making music site Pitchfork. Here he performs with the Hollywood Bowl Orchestra. Hollywood Bowl, 2301 N. Highland Ave., L.A. 7 p.m. Sun. hollywoodbowl.com.



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