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**THE BEST-DRESSED  
LIST 2005!  
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30 THINGS TO DO IN

# April



**1** **PROCEED** with caution. Today is April Fools' Day.

**2** **SHOWER** a four-legged friend with love. The A.S.P.C.A. recognizes April as Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month.



**3** **SPRING** forward and let the sun shine in. The days last a little longer now that daylight saving has begun.

**4** **MAKE** your head look bigger than your body. Learn Karl's secret. The *Karl Lagerfeld Diet* is in bookstores now.



**5** **GET** lost in the voice. *Billie Holiday: The Ultimate Collection* CD/DVD is released in honor of Lady Day, who would have turned 90 this month.

**6** **DRESS** the part. The *Martha Graham Dance Company's* opening gala commences its spring season.

**7** **KEEP** your eyes on the sky this week as international kitefliers flock to Berck-sur-Mer, in France, for Europe's largest annual kite festival.

**8** **GUESS** who's coming to dinner. *Sidney Poitier* will receive the 2005 *Rick Weiss* Humanitarian Award in Palm Springs tomorrow.

**9** **SERVE** and volley your way into tennis star *Maria Sharapova's* 18th-birthday bash, in New York City, sponsored by Matarola. Maroon 5 will perform.

**10** **SWOON** over *Billy Crudup* up close. He stars in Martin McDonagh's *The Pillowman*, at the Booth Theatre, in N.Y.C.



**11** **EXPERIENCE** the extraordinary life of a legendary jazz bassist. *Keeping Time: The Life, Music, and Photographs of Milt Hinton* airs tomorrow night on PBS.

**12** **ADORE** l'opéra with France's First Ladies *Mme. Bernadette Chirac* and *Mme. Claude Pompidou* at the Opéra National de Paris performance of Wagner's *Tristan et Isolde*.

**13** **CHEERS.** Artist *Eric Fischl* has designed the label for Bedell Cellars' 2001 Vintage Merlot Reserve, a limited edition selling for \$200 per magnum through the month.

**14** **LIVE** well. "From Jet Set to Jeans: The Wardrobe of *Doris Duke*," an exhibition of the billionaire's designer threads, is on display at Rough Point, her home in Newport, R.I.

**15** **BELIEVE** Benjamin Franklin: "Nothing is certain but death and taxes." File your returns by today.



**16** **KEEP** the faith and recognize the noble aspirations and cultural achievement at the recently opened Museum of Catholic Art and History, located in New York's East Harlem.

**17** **EXPAND** your artistic horizons. The new Walker Art Center, in Minneapolis, now a 17-acre campus with gallery space, a screening room, and a theater, opens today.

**18** **LAUGH** at *Dazed & Abused*, *Kinvara Balfour's* hilarious play about modern social behavior, onstage at London's Etcetera Theatre through the end of the month. Don't miss it.

**19** **LINE UP** for tickets. New York's 4th Annual Tribeca Film Festival kicks off tonight.



**20** **DONATE** to one Sweet Charity. *Christina Applegate* stars in *Neil Simon's* musical-comedy favorite, opening tomorrow on Broadway, at the Al Hirschfeld Theatre.

**21** **TRAVEL** to the land of rum, cigars, and forbidden dancing. The New York Public Library's Young Lions host their annual charity ball. "An Affair in Havana" is this year's Cuban theme.

**22** **GET** reel. The fifth annual Arlene's Grocery Picture Show kicks off in downtown N.Y.C. This no-rules, funkified fest shows nearly every film submitted. Plus, free popcorn.

**23** **GATHER** round the Seder table. Passover begins at sundown.



**24** **IGNITE** your lightsaber! Don't miss the final day of one of the largest Skywalker-diehard gatherings, *Star Wars Celebration III*, at the Indiana Convention Center, in Indianapolis.

**25** **TOAST** the environment. The 15th Annual Windows on Long Island Wine celebrates 34 local vineyards at Capitale, in New York City. Proceeds go to the Earth Pledge foundation.

**26** **ERASE** it. The N.Y.C. chapter of the National M.S. Society hosts its Dinner of Champions tomorrow at the Marriott Marquis, in Times Square. *Marvin Hamlisch* performs.

**27** **TRACE** *Robert Mallet-Stevens's* fashionable footprints through France. The Pompidou Centre opens a retrospective of the architect-designer's work today.



**28** **KEEP** a clear head. There'll be more than 1,000 wines to taste when the 29th annual Monterey Wine Festival opens tonight.

**29** **DANCE** the night away. *Coldplay* and *Nine Inch Nails* headline the Coachella Valley music festival, in Indio, Calif., this weekend.



**30** **PEN** a paean to opera. *Renée Fleming* and *Sir Elton John* top the Houston Grand Opera's guest list tonight for the Golden Jubilee Gala.