#### 11 FRIDAY

A COMMON MAN'S GUIDE TO LOVING WOMEN Four buddies (one's a jilted groom) try to figure out women in this 21st-century comedy of manners. 8 p.m. (and to Dec. 3). \$10 to \$24. Firehall Arts Centre, 280 E. Cordova St., 604-689-0926.

### **12 SATURDAY**

THE GREAT RIVER: A **FLAMENCO JOURNEY** Go with the metaphorical flow through bandoleras, tangos and fandangos with staccato-stepper **Miguel Angel and the throaty-voiced** Momi de Cadiz. 8 p.m. (and Nov. 13). \$30 to \$35. Norman Rothstein Theatre, 950 W. 41st Ave., 604-280-3311.

#### **13 SUNDAY**

**GRANVILLE ISLAND CHEESE FEST** Last day of the weekend brie and Stilton bender, with local cultures by artisans from McLennan Creek and Salt Spring Island Cheese. 9 a.m. Public Market, 604-666-5784.

#### 14 MONDAY

**YALETOWN WINE TASTING** AND MIXER Join the backlash against the Sideways swipe at merlot — if you've got tickets for this sold-out (monthly) event. 5:30 p.m. (and Nov. 15). Hamilton Street Grill, 1009 Hamilton St., 604-331-1511.

#### 15 TUESDA

**AD MARE** 

The B.C. wind quintet puts the "Mozart effect" in action with operatic airs aimed at listeners aged 5 and up. 10:30 a.m. \$8. Studio 16, 1551 W. 7th Ave., 604-736-9806.

### **16 WEDNESDAY**

**CLASSIFIED MATERIALS** Once you've ogled the Picassos, head upstairs for Ts stretched like canvas, a pile of a million pennies and oddities from Geoffrey Farmer's Hunchback Kit. 10 a.m. \$15. Vancouver Art Gallery, 750 Hornby St., 604-662-4700.

## 17 THURSDAY

A COOL YULE

**Dress for excess, from freewheeling** jazz to a globetrotting buffet. Warning: Chocolate fountain ahead. A VSO benefit. 7 p.m. \$150. Pan Pacific Hotel, 300-999 Canada Place. For tickets, e-mail kelly@vancouversymphony.ca.

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