

CultureREPORT

UNFOLDING ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT NEWS

WHAT'S "IN" IN INDIE

***Take This Waltz**, a Canadian comedy-drama follows Margot (Michelle Williams), a charming 28-year-old freelance writer living in Toronto, as she struggles with her emotions toward her husband of five years, Lou (Seth Rogen), and the exciting artist and rickshaw driver across the street (Luke Kirby).

*Premiering at the Berlin International Film Festival in February, **Farewell, My Queen** is a French-language drama that chronicles the final days of Marie Antoinette, portrayed by Diane Kruger.

*In **2 Days in New York**, a follow-up to *2 Days in Paris*, co-writer/director/star Julie Delpy's character Marion must deal with her visiting family from France as they dive into her admittedly problematic life and meet her new semi-hipster beau Mingus, played convincingly serious by comic Chris Rock.

*Written by Peter Morgan (*The Queen, Frost/Nixon*), **360** explores the outcomes of sexual relationships in which partners come from different social backgrounds. The film stars Anthony Hopkins, Jude Law, Rachel Weisz and Ben Foster.



Chris Rock in *2 Days in New York*



GUSTAV KLIMT (1862-1918)
The Black Feather Hat (Lady with Feather Hat)
Der Schwarze Federhut, 1910
Oil on canvas
Private Collection, New York

NEUE NOUVEAU

July 14 marks the 150th birthday of the Austrian Symbolist, Gustav Klimt. One of the most prominent members of the Vienna Secession, Klimt's paintings, such as *The Kiss* (1907), have become iconic images of feminine sensuality, highly influenced by the decorative artifice of Art Nouveau. In New York, the Neue Galerie is partaking in the international celebration of his legacy with a summer exhibition highlighting Klimt's major paintings from its collection. *Gustav Klimt: 150th Anniversary Celebration*, is on view through August 27. neuegalerie.org

—STACY SEILER

Dainjazone, LMFAO's Temporary DJ, Spins Art

DJ **Dainjazone** (born Joseph Hampel) is on an international tour with LMFAO through the summer while the party rocking duo's DJ Air recovers from an injury. "They're very fun and silly, and geniuses at what they do," Dainjazone says of the twosome. Growing up with dreams of a professional baseball career, Dainjazone rethought his life's path when he recognized his love of and talent for deejaying. Now,

with a passion for mixing underground hip-hop (his favorite) with the day's hottest songs, he has gone from playing house parties in college to touring with one of today's top-40 recording groups. "I'll try to present something in an artistic fashion," Dainjazone says. "It's not art if everyone else is doing the same thing."

For more with Dainjazone, visit downtownmagazinenyc.com.

—MATT ESSERT



Michael Angelakos
of Passion Pit

RECORD PLAYERS

With Neil Young as their mentor, and after a two-year hiatus, L.A. folk rockers **Everest** are back with their third album, *Ownerless*, featuring their first instrumental and traditional genre-bending tracks. It's no secret that **Passion Pit** has been making waves with their sparkling psych-synth 2009 debut and on July 24 *Gossamer* and its first single, "Take a Walk," promise to be a hit. On the same day, pick up **The Gaslight Anthem's** *Handwritten*, the follow-up to their critically acclaimed, Springsteen-sounding *American Slang*.

—CHARISSA CHE



SINGLE SERVINGS

Joining the Kindle Singles family is the slightly serious yet witty "**An Unexpected Twist**" by Andy Borowitz, in which he narrates the events surrounding a blockage in his colon with his award-winning humor writing. Author of best-selling Kindle Single "Sparkle," Mara Altman brings her funny back, with comedic memoir "**Bearded Lady**," about women and facial hair. amazon.com

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FLYING OFF THE SHELF

After coming to life on-screen and snagging the Academy Award for Best Short Film, along with becoming an app, the wondrous story of **The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore** (Atheneum Books for Young Readers) is bouncing off the pages of its own newly released book—a project 13 years in the making. William Joyce, the story's creator is a three-time Emmy winner and the brains behind characters in the beloved *Toy Story* and *A Bug's Life*.

—KAROLIN GERONIMO

