



Photos by RYAN RIVERA/Special to the Herald News

Ryan Rivera, 10, of Paterson titled his photo of the Jersey City skyline simply "It is beautiful." In another picture, he captured Paterson's courthouse complex reflected in a window.

Point of view

Youth photo program mounts show at Paterson Museum

By DIANE HAINES
Herald News

Speeding along the Turnpike with his parents, 10-year-old Ryan Rivera was captivated by the play of sun and clouds illuminating the Jersey City skyline.

"Mommy, mommy pull over this is my decisive moment," shouted Ryan. He leaped from the car parked on the shoulder of the highway and shot with his camera.

"If it had been a second before or a second after, it would never be the same," said Ryan at the awards reception for the Pa-

For some of the students, the course is the start of a career path or lifelong hobby.

erson Youth Photography Program (PYPP) earlier this month. The result of Ryan's efforts can be seen through July 31 at the Paterson Museum at the corner of Market and Spruce streets.

He calls the striking photograph, "It's Just Beautiful." It truly is.

Ryan is one of 35 students who studied photography on Saturday mornings during the school year at the YMCA on Ward Street in Paterson. The PYPP combines classroom instruction with hands on photography lessons. The students, ages 6 to 14, walk the streets surrounding the YMCA with their teachers and take pictures. The shots are later critiqued by the six instructors. Four of the teachers are professional photographers, and the rest are serious amateurs, like Gwenn Levine, the president of the project. She says classes are limited to 12 stu-

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"PORTRAIT OF PATERSON"

What: Exhibit of work from the Paterson Youth Photography Program

Where: Paterson Museum, Market and Spruce streets, with a traveling exhibit at additional locations in Paterson

When: Through July 31

More information: Call the Paterson Museum at 973-321-1260. For information about the PYPP, contact President Gwenn Levine about volunteering at 201-391-7663 or gkl@verizon.net, or Treasurer Gary Knutson about donations at 201-456-0363 or P.O. Box 2262, Paterson, NJ 07509.

BEST BETS

BROADWAY IN BERGEN: The lights of Broadway are shining on Ridgewood this month.

The Pro Arte Chorale will sing medleys from 100 years of Broadway musicals on June 26 at the Kasschau Memorial Band Shell. The outdoor amphitheater is on Veteran's Field in the center of Ridgewood. The concert begins at 8:30 p.m. and is free.

You will hear 45 singers, give or take, belt out snippets from songs including "Give My Regards to Broadway," "Button up your Overcoat," "Anything Goes," "I'm a Yankee Doodle Dandee" and "Luck be a Lady." They have a whole medley devoted to "Les Miserables."

The Pro Arte Chorale is an Honorary Resident Arts Organization at Bergen Community College. Its members have appeared at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, Carnegie Hall, Alice Tully Hall and Avery Fisher Hall.

— Andrea Gurwitt

Sequel surfs by, fun but never quite fantastic

By ROGER MOORE
The Orlando Sentinel

Short, cheesy and to the point, "Fantastic Five," er, "Fantastic Four: Rise of the Silver Surfer" has the same goofy tone, the same light touch as its predecessor.

It takes a while to get going, but once it does, it clips along, entertains and doesn't overstay its welcome.

There isn't much "meaning" here, unlike the weightier and more pretentious "Spider-Man"/"X-Men"/"Batman"/"Superman" franchises. But that is its charm. This is the comic-book series that embraces its popcorniness.

The Invisible Hottie (Jessica Alba) is trying to tie the knot with Mr. Rubber-armed Smartypants (Ioan Gruffudd). But their celebrity keeps getting in the way. Darn "Entertainment Tonight" anyway.

The Thing (Michael Chiklis) is not above flexing his rock-hard-rocks for the tourists. The Human Torch (Chris Evans) is eating up the fame, the endorsements, the girls. What's it take to date Johnny Storm?



Twentieth Century Fox

From left, Chris Evans, Ioan Gruffudd, Jessica Alba and Michael Chiklis star in "Fantastic Four: Rise of the Silver Surfer."

"Fireproof lingerie, and lots of aloe." But this strange comet-creature has shown up and started snowstorms on the pyramids and turned Japanese fishing grounds into glass. Stunning developments. Americans, of course, are more interested in

FANTASTIC FOUR: RISE OF THE SILVER SURFER

Starring: Ioan Gruffudd, Jessica Alba, Chris Evans, Michael Chiklis, Julian McMahon, Kerry Washington, Andre Braugher

Directed by: Tim Story

Running time: 1 hour, 30 minutes

Rated: PG, for sequences of action violence, some mild language and innuendo

celebrity news — the Mr. Fantastic-Invisible Woman nuptials. Until, that is, those are interrupted by the Silver Surfer.

"We can't even get married without starting World War III," Alba's Suzy whines.

The Surfer is that ultimate bad wedding guest. He's a harbinger of doom.

"All that you know is at an end," he purrs in Laurence Fishburne's voice.

Surfer dude's crashing the wedding means the

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