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Critics' picks

The three best events this week

TimeOut
New York



- 1** **Dido and Aeneas** **Rose Theater (at Frederick P. Rose Hall)**
 The Mark Morris Dance group executes Morris's legendary staging; the choreographer himself conducts the smooth-voiced Stephanie Blythe through Henry Purcell's tragic opera. ▶ **Wed 22–Aug 25**
- 2** **Mostly Mozart Festival Orchestra** **Avery Fisher Hall (at Lincoln Center)**
 Louis Langrée steps back onto the podium, conducting the festival orchestra and violin virtuoso Joshua Bell in a program of Brahms, Mozart and Schubert. ▶ **Fri 17, Sat 18**
- 3** **[kaj] Ensemble** **DiMenna Center for Classical Music**
 Contemporary composer Kevin James and his postmodern ensemble present an avant-garde premiere in honor of John Cage's centennial. ▶ **Tue 21–Aug 23**