

OCC sponsors filmmaker's contest

Amateur and semi-professional filmmakers will be vying for recognition soon in the fourth annual Orchard Ridge Film Festival Contest. Rules were announced Monday by contest coordinator Dan Greenberg of the Orchard Ridge Communications Department of Oakland Community College.

The contest, with nine categories each carrying prizes worth \$150, is open to all filmmakers who do not make the major portion of their livelihood from cinematography, said Greenberg. There is a \$5 entry fee for non-OCC students. All entries must be postmarked by May 20. Prizes will be awarded and winning films screened at the Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills in June.

Entrants may submit 8mm or 16mm film and either 1/2-inch reel-to-reel videotape or 3/4-inch videotape

cassettes. In both film categories, silent and sound, films in color or black-and-white will be accepted. Super, standard, or regular 8mm or 16mm will be acceptable, Greenberg said.

The winning films in each of the nine categories will receive a \$150 prize composed of cash, books, and film equipment donated by festival co-sponsors. A bonus prize for last year's best-of-show winner, Linda Tracey, for her film "Icarus," was a screening on Channel 7's morning show, "AM Detroit." The first co-sponsor to announce prizes for this year's contest is Al Brown, proprietor of the Classic Movie Center in Farmington, who will donate \$25 gift certificates in each of the nine categories.

Categories include best film-of-show, color, black-and-white, Abel Lar Memorial Prize for the Best Silent Film, comedy, drama, documentary, videotape, and best junior filmmaker.

The best junior filmmaker category is open to those born on or after Jan. 1, 1960. This category is designed to encourage and reward interest and talent among young filmmakers, said Greenberg.

All films submitted will be returned, although the college cannot be responsible beyond taking reasonable care in handling the films and videotapes, he said.

Complete rules and entry blanks are available from the Orchard Ridge Theater Department at 476-9400, ext. 504.

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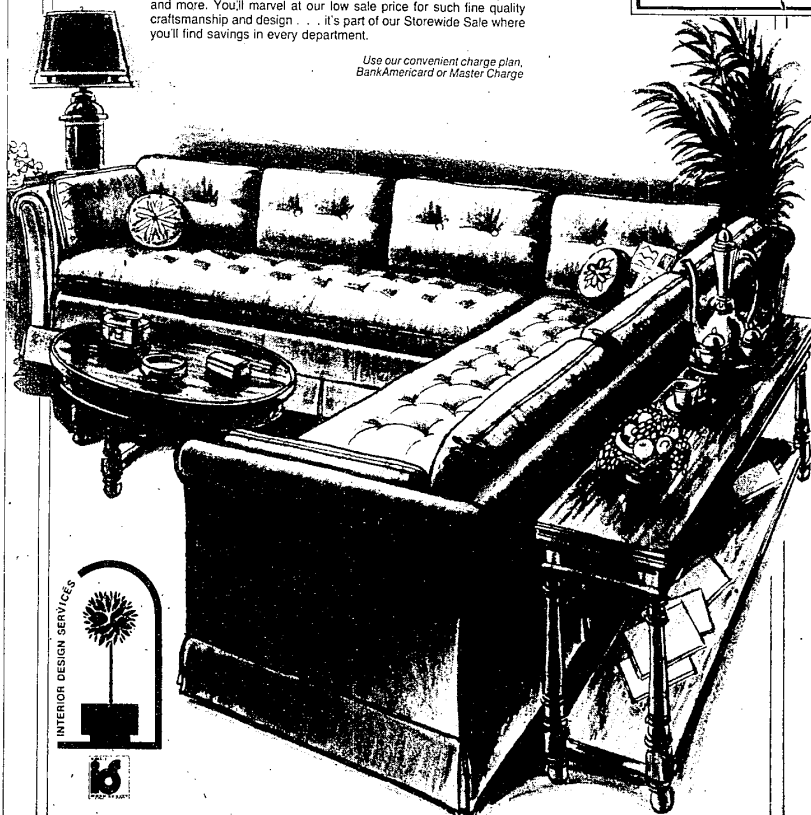
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