

EXHIBITIONS

CONTINUING SHOWS

Somerses Mail—A one-woman show of sculpture by Birmingham artist Margaret Valpey will be on display at the mall through July 8. Mrs. Valpey is versatile in her approach to her work which runs from humor to serious works and has a particular flair for the unexpected. She is showing 30 pieces of her work in both metal and other materials. The artist will be present at the show most of the time to talk about her work. Open during regular mall hours, Monday, Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., other days, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Closed Sundays and holidays.

Troy Art Gallery—Summer exhibition of gallery artists features a selection of Japanese woodblock prints as well as works by American, European and Michigan artists and introducing silk screen prints of New York by Susan Meisel. Hours are Tuesday-Saturday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Closed Saturday during August, 755 W. Big Beaver, in the Top of Troy concourse, just west of I-75.

The Artist's Guild—A retrospective of paintings and sculpture samplings shown in the past year will be on display at the gallery, 3267 Franklin Road, Franklin Village, through Sept. 15.

Summer hours are: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Allen Rubiner Gallery—Posters by over 100 different American and European artists will be on display through July 15. Summer hours are Monday-Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., 621 S. Washington, Royal Oak.

Gallery 22—Recent acquisitions including a display of newly arrived paintings, graphics, ceramics, weavings and sculpture, includes some familiar names. Among them are Pridemander, Appel, Coignard, Bailif, Doulander, Dousseau, Alvar, Carcan, Fireman and Maxwell. Hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., 22 E. Loog Lake at Woodward.

Lee Hoffman Gallery—Deborah Butterfield, professor of art at Montana State University, brings her horses into the living room. Of plaster, paper and earth molded around steel and wire skeletons, these range between life size and considerably smaller. Her work suggests Oriental horse sculpture. Show runs through July 22. Hours are Tuesday-Saturday, 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., 538 N. Woodward.

Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association—The 22nd annual exhibit by members of Palette and Brush Club runs through July 15. Reception Saturday, 25 p.m. Regular gallery hours are Monday-Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., 1516 S. Cranbrook at Fourteen Mile.

Halsted Gallery—Exhibition and sale of photographs by Gibson B. Kennedy. His works portray indigenous American architecture, landscape and nature. The show will run through July 15. Gallery hours are Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., 560 N. Woodward.

Troy Public Library—Carved wood wall plaques and oil paintings by versatile Troy artist Bernard Johnson will be on display until June 30. Another

local Troy artist, Helen Talvachio, has a display of oil paintings, water-colors and drawings at the library through July 21. Hours to see both artists are 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 510 W. Big Beaver, just east of I-75 in Troy.

Austin Galleries—Bright, colorful creations by Karl Appel are on display at these galleries in Fairlane, Lakeside and Twelve Oaks shopping centers through July.

Pewabic Pottery—Student exhibit will be at the pottery through July 9. The regular times to see the work are noon-4:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 1025 E. Jefferson, Detroit.

Cranbrook Academy of Art Museum—Exhibition of student work runs through the summer. The gallery opens 1-5 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday, 500 Lowe Pine, Bloomfield Hills. Admission charge.

Robert L. Kidd and Associates—Gallery exhibition continues through the summer. Featured are paintings by New York artist Darryl Hubito, stichery by Carlos Cobos, collages by Glen Brill and paintings by Scott Gregory. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and other times by appointment, 107 Townsend.

Tax amendment explained

(Editor's note: The following are highlights of the tax limitation amendment that will probably appear on the November ballot.)

- Except for adjustments for inflation, state government will not be allowed to spend more than its present share of state gross personal income. Adjustments upward for inflation will be determined by the consumer price index. The formula is: State spending divided by gross personal income equals this year's ratio.

- In cases of emergency, the revenue limit may be exceeded if the governor declares an emergency, asks for a specific amount of money, and two-thirds of each legislative house approves the expenditure.

- The state cannot reduce its funds to any local unit of government below current levels for programs that are mandated by state law.

- Any future state-mandated programs must be paid for in full by the state.

PROPERTY TAXES

- The total amount of property taxes collected by any local taxing unit of government will not

increase unless the voters of that taxing unit agree. Increases will be allowed for inflation as determined by the consumer price index.

- If property values rise, the millage rate will be reduced proportionately so that each local unit of government receives the same amount of money as the year the amendment passes. New tax base

will be taxed at the prevailing millage rate as it is entered on the tax rolls. Internal adjustments within each local government unit for equity as performed by the local assessor will continue.

- Bonds cannot be issued for operating funds of a local governmental unit unless approved by the voters.

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