

Flamenco guitarist opens a new series

By LAURA A. BUCH

In music and in manner alike, Juan Serrano exudes charisma.

Opening a new concert series last week at St. Mary's College of Orchard Lake, he captured his audience's flamenco music combining passion with gaiety. Serrano executed the mood changes masterfully. From the opening "Lagrimas de Granada" onward, one was repeatedly struck by the expressiveness of his style.

Dissonances were enhanced with an attentiveness many performers lack, and bright, rapid passages executed with clarity.

In this familiar Spanish style, the line of melody is frequently surrounded by brisk, rolling cascades of notes. In many hands this could mean a loss of continuity of line, or a sacrifice of artfulness for flashiness.

Not so with Serrano. Bringing the best of both elements, he brings forth his melody in clear strokes, but allows the brilliance of the rolled Rasgueo to breathe vibrant life into the music. This was particularly obvious in "Juani," a lively piece in traditional flamenco rhythm.

Programming in this concert was quite effective, with pieces continually evolving in intensity throughout the first half. The listener's emotions were not allowed to rest, but were pulled from exhilaration to melancholy and back again.

Several of the pieces contained im-

pressive displays of virtuosity, notably "Munequita," a fiery dance filled with relentless and brilliant passagework. Serrano was more than equal to its demands.

Outstanding in the program's Spanish half was Serrano's performance of "Los Capiteles." Filling this dark piece with pathos and mystery, he allowed its melody to speak with both passion and subtlety.

Throughout the concert, feet were tapping and heads bobbing. Much of Serrano's music is hand-clapping dance music, worthy of winning skirts and dazzling footwork. As concert-hall music, it was performed here with highly listenable charm. Serrano is both entertainer and artist.

Area concert-goers will be able to see and hear Serrano again on Nov. 20 at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The concert will be Flamenco music and dance.

The series at St. Mary's College will continue on Sunday, Nov. 18 with Riddell, soprano, Lawrence LaGore, pianist and Ginka Ortega, flute.

On Feb. 24, Fedora Horowitz, piano, and Mrs. Ortega, will perform duets and on March 23, Guest artists will be the Rev. Carl H. Davidson, viola, and Sister Frances Blanchard, piano. They will play music by romantic composers.

Concerts are at 3 p.m. in the Galleria on the college campus in Orchard Lake. Tickets, \$5, are available at the door or by calling Fr. Thomas O'Connell, 682-1885.

Remember that little guy named Somebody Else? He died a white back. Too bad, because he's missed. He always used to do all of the things the rest of us never got around to doing. Sure, we knew they were important, but why bother? Somebody Else was always on the job.

Without Somebody Else, the Michigan Foundation for the Arts is having a tough time. They are looking for nominations for their annual Michigan Art Awards, now you'd think an organization that wants to give money away wouldn't have a problem finding recipients, wouldn't you?

Last year they gave out five awards of \$2,500 each to Michigan artists of more than average substance. In fact, they've been doing this rather quietly since 1976. By next year, it is without extensive hoopla. Just, hopefully, a tasteful awards ceremony without a lot of artificial hype.

Nominations needed

The foundation board headed by Philip H. Power, chairman, and Peter Stalker, II, president, have set some guidelines for making the choices. One of these is that the Michigan artist should be based here and actively making a contribution to the state of Michigan arts.

Those with potential, on their way up or about to do something great aren't the ones the foundation is seeking. Rather, it's artists who are in their prime — those who have reached a point where what they produce is of superior quality.

Next, there's no firm rule of what the media or vehicle for a particular art is. In the past foundation winners have been weavers, sculptors, conductors,

painters, poets, dancers, writers, potters and theater arts persons. Still to be represented are many areas of music and jazz, for instance, or photography or graphics.

Recipients so far have been Georgie Bick, weaver; Joseph Kinnebrew, Gerhardt Knodel, David Barr, and Michael Hall, sculptors; Aris Koutoulis, and Charles McGee, painters; Dudley Randall, John Woods, John Hayden and Jim Harrison, poets; John Glick, potter; Theo Alcantara and Jim Hartway, conductors; Carole Morrisseau and Lisa Noyes, dancers; David Syme and Gyorgy Sando, pianists; Jack Ragotz, theater; and Diane Spodarek, visual artist.

Well, unless you are different from

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most of us — in the past you let Somebody Else make your nominations to the foundation and the committee worked with those offered.

Anyway, since Somebody Else died, the flow of nominations for the coming year has been hardly more than a dribble. If you know an artist who deserves a shot at the awards, call Anne Rosch at the office of Michigan Foundation for the Arts, 963-6338.

She'll tell you how the nominations should be done. She has a simple printed form with space for listing a bit about the person's background, professional experience, recent work, honors and your reasons for suggesting the name. Deadline is Nov. 5.

All nominations will be screened by the selection committee. And remember, this is statewide, so let your mind go beyond the metropolitan area. Michigan, fortunately, has some fine artists. They make our lives more enjoyable.

FARMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT For the Year Ended June 30, 1979 COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

GENERAL FUND		DEBT FUND	
		COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET	
	JUNE 30 1979		JUNE 30 1979
ASSETS		ASSETS	
Cash		DEBT RETIREMENT FUNDS	
On hand	\$250	Cash	
Commercial	12,654	Commercial	\$331
Savings accounts	33,338	Savings accounts	89,003
Investments in commercial paper	1,347,419	Commercial Paper	939,978
Accounts receivable	1,677,890	Accrued Interest receivable	15,332
Taxes receivable	163,358	Taxes receivable	18,496
Inventory - At cost	220,533	Due from General Fund	11,300
Prepaid expenditures	186,702	Total assets	\$1,074,440
Due from other funds	116,856	FUND EQUITY	
Deferred bond costs	445,928		
Total assets	\$4,205,208		
LIABILITIES		DEBT RETIREMENT FUND	
Accounts payable	\$435,705	COMPARATIVE REVENUE AND EXPENSE STATEMENT	
Salary payable	2,321,941	FISCAL YEAR ENDED	
Salary withholdings payable	534,050		
Total liabilities	\$3,291,696	REVENUES:	
DEFERRED REVENUE	338,591	Local	\$2,462,574
CONTINGENT LIABILITIES	-	Other Revenues	-
FUND EQUITY		Incoming Transfers and Other Transactions	21,250
Appropriated	9,502	Total Revenues, Incoming Transfers and Other Transactions	\$2,483,824
Unappropriated	445,522	EXPENDITURES:	
Total fund equity	455,011	Redemption of Bonds	\$1,220,000
Total liabilities, deferred revenue and fund equity	\$4,205,208	Interest on Bonds	1,140,676
		Other Expenses	3,422
		Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	-
		Total Expenditures, Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	\$2,373,098
		Excess of Revenues, Incoming Transfers and Other Transactions over Expenditure, Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	\$110,824

COMPARATIVE REVENUES AND EXPENSE STATEMENT FISCAL YEAR ENDING June 30, 1979

REVENUES:		
Local	\$22,398,299	\$20,009,267
State	3,828,447	4,993,417
Federal	905,525	789,152
Incoming Transfers and Other Transactions	1,261,828	1,285,539
Total Revenues, Incoming Transfers and Other Transactions	\$28,394,199	\$27,077,375
EXPENDITURES:		
Instruction - Employee Benefits	\$14,491,636	\$13,745,140
Support Services:		
Pupil	1,833,219	1,605,087
Instructional Staff	1,573,729	1,650,073
General Administration	302,807	285,160
School Administration	1,479,838	1,474,615
Business	5,128,036	4,817,553
Central	163,041	156,253
Other	-	-
Support Services - Employee Benefits	1,134,365	1,051,422
Community Services	55,646	77,399
Community Services - Employee Benefits	2,215	6,007
Capital Outlay	158,739	157,419
Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	214,223	212,098
Total Expenditures, Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	\$28,373,478	\$26,836,595
Excess of Revenues, Incoming Transfers and Other Transactions over Expenditures, Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	\$20,721	\$240,779

STATE OF FUND BALANCE YEAR ENDED June 30, 1979

Fund Balance, July 1, 1978		\$434,230
Additions (Deductions)	-	-
Prior Year Adjustments	-	-
Excess of Revenue, Incoming Transfers and Other Transactions over Expenditures	\$20,721	
Other Additions (Deductions)	-	20,721
Fund Balance, June 30, 1979		\$455,011

BUILDING SITE FUND

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

	JUNE 30 1979		JUNE 30 1978
ASSETS			
Cash			
Interest Receivable	\$1,132		\$100
Investments	14,171		3,777
Total Assets	\$1,303,307		\$3,877
LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	\$101,907		\$ -
Due to Other Funds	49,887		-
Total Liabilities	\$151,794		-
Fund Balance	\$1,151,513		\$3,877
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$1,303,307		\$3,877

BUILDING AND SITE FUND

COMPARATIVE REVENUE AND EXPENSE STATEMENT FISCAL YEAR ENDED

REVENUES:		
Local	\$1979	\$18,735
Other Revenues	-	-
Incoming Transfers and Other Transactions	\$1,152,979	-
Total Revenues, Incoming Transfers and Other Transactions	\$2,352,826	\$18,735
EXPENDITURES:		
Land	\$ -	\$5,517
Buildings and Additions	360,573	1,110
Furniture and Equipment	374,169	-
Other Expenses	63,202	-
Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	21,250	-
Total		
Total Expenditures, Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	\$819,104	\$6,627
Excess of Revenue, Incoming Transfers and Other Transactions over Expenditures and Outgoing Transfers	\$1,466,632	\$12,108

BUILDING AND SITE FUND

STATEMENT OF FUND EQUITY YEAR ENDED June 30, 1979

Fund Balance, July 1, 1978		\$307,984
Additions (Deductions)	-	-
Prior Year Adjustments	-	-
Excess of Revenues, Incoming Transfers and Other Transactions over Expenditures, Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	\$1,466,632	
Net Additions (Deductions)	-	1,466,632
Fund Equity, June 30, 1979		\$1,774,616

DEBT RETIREMENT FUND

STATEMENT OF FUND EQUITY YEAR ENDED June 30, 1979

Fund Equity, July 1, 1978		\$953,616
Additions (Deductions)	\$ -	-
Prior Year Adjustments	-	-
Excess of Revenues, Incoming Transfers and Other Transactions over Expenditures, Outgoing Transfers and Other Transactions	\$110,824	
Fund Equity, June 30, 1979		\$1,074,440

LONG-TERM DEBT

GROUP OF ACCOUNTS

RESOURCES TO LIQUIDATE LONG-TERM DEBT:

AMOUNTS AVAILABLE IN THE DEBT RETIREMENT FUND

AMOUNTS TO BE PROVIDED FOR THE PAYMENT OF BONDS

TOTAL RESOURCES TO LIQUIDATE LONG-TERM DEBT

LONG-TERM DEBT PAYABLE:

SCHOOL BOND LOANS PAYABLE

OTHER LOANS

TOTAL LONG-TERM DEBT PAYABLE

PHYSICAL ASSETS

AND GENERAL INFORMATION

Value of Sites

Value of Buildings

Value of Equipment and Vehicles

Number of Classrooms & Other Instruc. Areas

Number of buildings

Number of Teachers

TEACHERS SALARIES

Minimum

Maximum

Total Funds Spent for Salaries of Teachers

PUPILS

Elementary Resident

Non-Resident

Secondary Resident

Non-Resident

Other Pupils

Special Ed. (separate facility)

Adult Ed. and others

Grand Total Pupils

**Pupil Teacher Ratio

** Included as teachers are those certified persons not classified as administrators but a number of whom do not have classrooms, such as librarians, counselors, coordinators, and therapists.

** Pupils divided by the total number of teachers excluding administrators, directors and principals.

Enrollment in the Farmington Public Schools for the school year ending June 30, 1979, dropped to 13,270 students from 13,831 students the previous year, a drop of 861, approximately 6.2%.

Revenues increased to \$28,394,199 from \$27,077,375, an increase of \$1,316,824, approximately 4.9%.

With revenues exceeding the expenditures the district was able to end the year with a very limited excess of revenues over expenditures of \$20,721. This excess added to the fund equity from June 30, 1978, of \$434,230 established a fund equity as of June 30, 1979, of \$455,011.

The decline in enrollment which has been occurring for the past several years, and which is expected to continue for the next several years, has continued to be a major concern in the school district. Considerable effort was made during the past year to keep expenditures per pupil within the revenue per pupil.

57.4% of expenditures were made for direct instructional costs (teacher aides, teaching supplies, textbooks, etc.) 7.3% of expenditures were made for student supporting services (counselors, librarians, speech correctionists, social workers, etc.)

Support service for the instructional staff and administration at the school level accounted for 12.4% of expenditures. Operations (school cleaning, heating and lighting, etc.) maintenance and pupil transportation was 17.6%, and all other expenses totaled 5.0%.

Revenues from local sources of the district increased from 74% of the total in 1978 to 78.9% in 1979, while revenues from the state decreased from 18.5% in 1978 to 13.5% in 1979. This is a trend that has continued for several years.

Objectives of the district were to provide the very best education possible for its students, within the financial limitations placed on the district. It is felt these objectives were met.

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State of Michigan
ON
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1979

PLEASE NOTE: THE 25th COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT CONSISTS OF:
COMMERCIAL TOWNSHIPall Precincts
WEST BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIPPrecincts 1, 12, 19 and 20
WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIPPrecincts 3 and 7
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLSPrecincts 9, 10, 11, 19 and 22

Notice Relative to Opening and Closing of the Polls

ELECTION LAW, ACT 116, P.A. 1954

SECTION 720. On the day of any election, the polls shall be opened at 7 o'clock in the forenoon, and shall be continuously open until 8 o'clock in the afternoon and no longer. Every qualified elector present and in line at the polls at the hour prescribed for the closing thereof shall be allowed to vote.

THE POLLS of said election will be open at 7 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 8 o'clock p.m. of said day of election.

LYNN D. ALLEN, Clerk
County of Oakland

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