

# Expansion

## U-M's Power Center gets educational wing

The Power Center for the Performing Arts, a cultural site on The University of Michigan campus, will finally get the 35,000-square-foot complementary facilities to complete the original plan.

The addition is made possible by a gift from U-M Regent Emeritus Eugene Power and his wife Sadie, of Ann Arbor, and university funds. The 1,420-seat Power Center, dedicated in 1971, was named in honor of the Power family.

The addition was anticipated at the time of the initial structure to provide many of the educational support services, such as rehearsal spaces and costume and scenery shops, but had to be deleted from the original total concept due to university funding limitations.

"The university is deeply grateful to the Power family for their continuing support," U-M Interim President Allan F. Smith said. "Their generous and varied contributions over the years have enriched the cultural and educational life of the university and the region."

The new facility will make possible more efficient use of the center since heretofore it has been necessary to reserve the actual stage for rehearsal purposes. Further, the existence of rehearsal dance areas will provide a service not previously available on campus.

"Prior to submitting final plans, the university made a very careful analysis of its needs to provide facilities in harmony with the present center."

Smith noted that the addition will be part of the original exterior design located between the existing parking structure and the present Power Center building.

For the proposed addition, the firm of Roche and Dinkeloo Associates of Hamden, Conn., designers the present building, will serve as design consultants.

Jickling, Lyman and Powell Associates of Birmingham, will be the architect. James O'Neal of O'Neal Construction Company of Ann Arbor, the original contractor of the Power Center, will be construction manager of the new project.

Bids would be taken before the spring of 1980.

## Poet to perform at Mercy campus

A black poet and lecturer, will give a poetry "performance" entitled, "May I Poet with You?" Thursday, Nov. 15, at 7:30 p.m. at Mercy College of Detroit.

The poet, b. f. malin, who prefers his name in lower case, is the author of more than 1,000 poems which he has committed to memory. He performs without notes or podium. He once "poeted" for eight hours straight, in a recitation of his own poetry.

He believes poetry should be a spoken rather than a written medium and often walks the stage or moves out into the audience, "poeting" in the bardic tradition.

The Alabama-born poet was a high school dropout who continued his education at Leavenworth prison, where he was sentenced for possession of marijuana.

Later he attended the University of Kansas and the University of Minnesota. He became disillusioned after joining the civil rights movement, turned

again to drugs, and once more landed in Leavenworth.

The poetry performance is free and open to the public. Further information may be obtained by calling Mercy College, 592-6098. The event will take place in the Student/Conference Center on the Mercy campus, 8200 West Outer Drive at Southfield, in Detroit.

### Stroke info panel formed

The stroke committee of southern Wayne heart unit of the Michigan Heart Association is available to speak to local groups and clubs on the subject of stroke and stroke rehabilitation.

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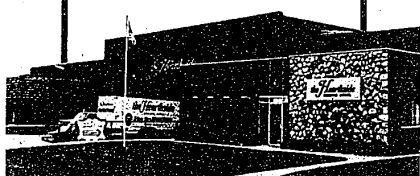
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