

German flavor to this week's music Artists win awards

After a week-long tour of the Upper Peninsula, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra returns to Meadow Brook for the second half of its summer season beginning this evening.

Guest conductor Christof Perick and pianist Joseph Kalichstein join the DSO at 8 p.m. Thursday and Saturday at the Baldwin Pavilion on the campus of Oakland University for a program including works by three great German composers—Wagner, Mozart and Richard Strauss.

German conductor Perick is head of the state opera's orchestra in Berlin. Former positions include assistant of the Hamburg State Opera, principal conductor of the Darmstadt Opera, music director of the Saarbrücken Opera House and general music director of the city of Karlsruhe.

He is active as a guest conductor at opera houses around the world and has worked with the Vienna

State Opera, Metropolitan Opera, Chicago Lyric Opera and the San Francisco Opera. He has conducted the Berlin Philharmonic, Vienna Philharmonic and Japan's N.H.K. Symphony, as well as many fine American orchestras.

Since winning the 1969 Leventritt Award, Kalichstein has built an international career, performing with many of the world's finest conductors and orchestras. Equally well-known as a member of the Kalichstein/Laredo Robinson Trio, he has appeared in chamber music concerts at Avery Fisher Hall and the Kennedy Center, and at many of the great music festivals, including Tanglewood, Ravinia and Mostly Mozart.

The Trio has recorded works of Mendelssohn and Brahms and Beethoven's Triple Concerto with the English Chamber Orchestra.

Richard Wagner is considered to be one of the most influential artists

of the 19th century, and his epic music-drama "Tristan and Isolde" is a major milestone in the history of music.

It is his most original and radical opera, particularly in its treatment of chromatic harmony and its total submersion in the emotional power of the music. The opera's prelude, which captures the intensity of this emotion, has become a favorite of the orchestral concert repertoire.

The Piano Concerto No. 22 of Mozart was composed for the Vienna Society of Musicians for a series of benefit concerts aiding the widows and orphans of its former members.

It was Mozart's grandest in conception, the concerto features trumpets and timpani and the first use of clarinets in any of his concertos.

"Ein Heldenleben" or "A Hero's Life" was composed between 1897 and 1903 as the companion piece to

another of Strauss' symphonic poems, "Don Quixote." In it Strauss portrays a "hero's" life, his conflicts and disillusionment and his ultimate attainment of dignity and serenity through love. Many believe the hero to be Strauss himself, especially since one of the work's sections, "The Hero's Works of Peace," uses at least 23 quotations from Strauss' earlier compositions.

For tickets, call 377-2010.

Painters elect

The Birmingham Society of Women Painters elected officers for the 1989-1990 season.

They are Suzanne Velick, president; Laurie Oldfield, first vice president; Nancy Thayer, second vice president; Mary Douse, recording secretary; Donna Vogelstein, corresponding secretary; and Jo Snyder, treasurer.

The awards given to state artists in the 43rd annual Michigan Water Color Exhibition totaled \$4,650.

The exhibition of 99 paintings by 74 Michigan artists is at the University of Michigan Museum of Art, 525 S. State at University, Ann Arbor, through Aug. 6.

Award winners are: Laura A. Vin-nedge, Benton Harbor, \$1,000 Arts Foundation of Michigan Award; Louise Nobili, Grosse Pointe, \$500 Arts Foundation of Michigan Award; Stanley Louis Rosenthal, Huntington Woods, \$500 Mary Jane Anway Memorial Award; Carol Welschauer,

Trenton, \$500 Joyce McDaniels Kur-sky Award; Elizabeth Yorgen, Berk-ley, \$500 Donald B. Goch Memorial Award; and William A. Lewis, Ann Arbor, \$500 DMI Industries Inc. Award.

Other winners are: Igor Beglin, Canton, \$300 Michigan Water Color Society Award; Lucille Procter Nawaia, Huntington Woods, \$300 Michigan Water Color Society Award; Nancy Hall, Farmington, \$300 Michigan Water Color Society Award; and Mark Mehaffey, Wil-lingham, \$250 Graphic Arts Council, Detroit Institute of Arts.

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