

# Make recycling easier in crowded kitchen

Q: I'm interested in recycling, but there's hardly enough space for one trash can in my kitchen, much less separate holders for different categories of glass, plastics, etc.

A: No doubt the question of how to physically separate recyclables is on the minds of thousands of other people. There's no one single answer to this problem because every situation differs with space available and preferences of individuals.

Ideally, you would have space available in a broom closet where you could place some of the new divided containers available in the houseware departments of various

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stores. Without that option, you need a next-best alternative. Try keeping only two receptacles in your kitchen: one for regular trash and one for well-recycled recyclables.



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**Dorothy Lehmkuhl**

Then set up divided containers in your garage or other trash holding area, take your kitchen receptacle out periodically and do your separating out there. Look for open mid-air spaces in your storage areas. Suspend multiple bags from a dowel across your

broom closet or from hooks in its ceiling or walls, for instance.

Plus Partners of Dearborn Heights has invented a couple of practical answers to the trash-space dilemma. One, the "Floxybin," attaches to the inside of an undersink cabinet door. It will free-form around your garbage disposal, pipes or other obstructions when the door is closed.

Another item I like is the "Trashanger," a chrome device that also mounts inside an undersink cabinet door. It's specifically designed to hold plastic-handled grocery bags, and will accept standard trash bags, too. These can be bought from DeGi-

ulio Kitchen and Bath showrooms in Dearborn and Livonia.

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Plus Partners co-inventors John and Leticia DeGiulio offer a double-tiered flatware and cutlery slide that will double your drawer storage space.

Made to snug-fit into drawers up to 22 inches wide, it requires only 3 1/2-inch depth and 17 1/2-inch interior drawer length. The top tier slides securely behind the back end of the

drawer when it's opened to offer instant accessibility to the lower tier. An alternative model double-tiers a cutting board above a cutlery base. I'd be interested in hearing of other innovative storage ideas from readers who are dealing with the dilemma of dividing recyclables.

You can obtain a booklet of Dorothy Lehmkuhl's first 52 columns by sending a self-addressed business envelope, with 75 cents postage and a \$3 check, to *Organizing Techniques*, 6165 Worthington, Birmingham 48010. The writer is a time management consultant.

## exhibitions

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are being shown through May. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 1457 S. Woodward, Birmingham.

### ● DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

"Florence Henri: Artist-Photographer of the Avant-Garde" is an exhibit of 90 black and white photos she took in Europe between the two world wars. "Alma College Collection: A Decade of Michigan Printmaking" includes works by many metro area artists. Both shows continue through May 5. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, 5200 Woodward, Detroit.

### ● T'MARRA GALLERY

Group show by gallery artists features works by Russell Thayer, Bruce Thayer, Donald Mendelson, Lawrence Barker, Celis Perez, John Rosencorn and Paul Stewart. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 111 N. First, Ann Arbor.

### ● WATERFORD FRIENDS OF THE ARTS

"The Art Education: Inspiration for the 90s" features works by arts

faculty members from six area colleges and universities. Through March 28. Hours are 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, 7-9 p.m. Monday and 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Monday, 1415 Crescent Lake Road, Pontiac.

### ● LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY

"New Beginnings..." is the third year grand opening welcoming 15 new artists/members. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 29 W. Lawrence, Pontiac.

### ● ALICE SIMSAR GALLERY

"Fiber: On and Off the Wall" features works by Jason Collingwood, Peter Collingwood, Lia Cook, Richard Smith, Sherry Smith and Martha Stanley. Continues through April 20. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, 301 N. Main, Ann Arbor.

### ● TEMPLE BETH EL

"A Heritage of Light: Temple Beth El 1850-1990," continues through June and includes photographs, works of art and extensive background material on this religious institution. Open during regular Temple hours. Group tours available, 7400 Telegraph at 14 Mile, Bloomfield Township.

### ● D&M STUDIO AND GALLERY

Gallery member Sue Argeroff, specialist in marbling technique is displaying her work, including paintings, silk scarves, jewelry and other items. Hours are 1-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 710 N. Mill, Old Village Plymouth.

### ● CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

"The Unemployed Autoworker," an installation of photos, video and people by Carlos Diaz, continues through April 2. Diaz is an assistant professor at Center for Creative Studies of Detroit. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, until 2 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, 47 Williams, Pontiac.

### ● CHAIKA GALLERY

International art by ethnic artisans is on display. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, until 7 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, 26499 Ryan, Warren.

### ● ATRIUM GALLERY

Featuring the works of Lena Masera, Farmington Area Arts Commission artist in residence. Watercolor, collages, acrylics. Marilyn

Blinder's recent works. Nori Geffen, new collages. Jeff Hale, Jack Martin, new raku. Sheryl Cameron, sterling and brass jewelry. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, until 7 p.m. Thursday and until 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 113 North Center, Northville.

### ● PARK WEST GALLERY

Soft paintings and acrylics by Cal

## 'Illusions in Black and White' on display

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swirling splashes of gold paint.

The abstract work by Goldberg has a nice sense of design with images that include a single white penny, twin white calla lilies, a man's black top hat resting upon a pair of white gloves, and a gentleman in evening clothes complete with white tie, top hat, tails and a jazzy cane in his white glove hand. Over the glossy images, Goldberg abstractly swirled gold paint.

"I used the gold paint over the collage to give it flow," Goldberg said.

man Shemi are on display through March. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, until 9 p.m. Thursday, Friday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, 29469 Northwestern, Southfield.

### ● POSNER GALLERY

New acrylics on Masonite and engravings by Gregory Hawthorne are on display through March. Hours

are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 32407 Northwestern, Farmington Hills.

### ● THE ARTISTS' GALLERY

"Illusions in Black and White," continues through April 18. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, until 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Applegate Square, Northwestern between 12 and 13 Mile, Southfield.

## 'Illusions in Black and White' on display

"Putting on the Ritz" is priced at \$250. "The Bluebird's Poppies" is a watercolor by Goldberg, painted during a weeklong painter's retreat on Peninsula, Red Oriental poppies dominate the picture plane, growing wildly in front of a cold gray, wire mesh fence behind Bluebird's restaurant in Leeland. The watercolor is priced at \$170.

She also is a member of the co-op gallery, The Artists' Gallery, in Southfield, where her work is on exhibit. The Artists' Gallery opened in October.

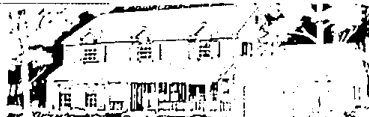
Co-op artist members number 28. All have work exhibited in the gallery. Watercolors, acrylic and oil paintings, graphics, sculpture, photography, paper art and stained glass can be seen there.

The Artists' Gallery is at 29673 Northwestern Highway in Applegate Square, Southfield. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, Thursdays to 8 p.m.

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