

ARTISTIC EVENTS

This is a listing of gallery exhibits and other art-related events that are continuing and of galleries that run regular shows. Openings and other events are listed in Thursday's Arts and Entertainment section. Send announcements of Oakland County art gallery exhibitions to: Mary Klenic, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 605 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009; fax (810) 644-1314.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN-DEARBORN

To April 29 - "Retrospect: Herb Babcock," an exhibit of original glass sculpture presented by the Fine Arts Associates of UM-D, continues at the Mardian Library on campus. Babcock is an artist and professor of art at Center for Creative Studies in Detroit. Call (313) 693-5400 or (313) 274-9134.

THE ART GALLERY

During April - Featured artists for the month in the gallery at Great Oaks Mall, Walton and Livernois, Rochester Hills, are Arlene Parks and Gail Summit. Parks works in acrylics and paints subtle, freeform expressions and occasionally misty landscapes with the same light touch. Summit is an accomplished pottery-wheel worker as well as a hand-builder. Call (810) 651-1579.

ARTQUEST GALLERY

Through April 30 - One-of-a-kind art creations by Gena Conti are displayed in the "Hip Hop Hat Hoppening" at 185 N. Woodward, Birmingham. Conti's flattering and versatile hats are handmade from her own designs and patterns. Ten percent of all sales to April 30 will be donated to The Women's Survival Center of Pontiac. Call (810) 540-2484.

DANIELLE PELES GALLERY

Through April - Vibrantly colored silkcreens of Parisian scenery by abstract impressionist Claude Fauchere are exhibited in the gallery at Crosswinds Mall, 4301 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Call (810) 626-5810.

DONNA JACOBS GALLERY LTD.

During April - For Michigan Glass Month the gallery at 574 N. Woodward, Birmingham, presents its 17th annual exhibit of ancient glass. Experience the "magic of glass" aged to perfection. The intense beauty of these selected artifacts will charm you. Call (810) 540-1600.

GALLERY NIKKO

Through April 30 - Gallery Nikko, 470 N. Woodward, Birmingham, features colorful, fun, upbeat handcrafted gift items, home accessories and wearables. Selected items are discounted 10 to 40 percent. Call (810) 647-0650.

FORM AND FUNCTION

During April - The gallery at 406 Main, Rochester, offers a permanent showing of top local and national talent, displaying work in glass, wood, clay and contemporary furniture in its recently completed addition. Beautiful blown bottles from Christian Thirion, glass wall hangings from Debra Vantol and

large blown freeform vessels from Dutch Schulte are presented this month. Call (810) 656-8250.

HILL GALLERY

To April 30 - An exhibit of paintings by John Walker and sculpture by Jay Woolley continues at 407 W. Brown, Birmingham. Call (810) 540-9288.

PRIVATE COLLECTION GALLERY

During April - The gallery at 6736A Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, celebrates Michigan Glass Month with an exhibit featuring special pieces by Carole Sharpe, Susan Pelish, Brian Sharpe, Joan Irving and Christopher Morrison. Call (810) 737-4050.

SANDRA COLLINS

Through April 30 - The gallery at 470 N. Woodward, Birmingham, supports Michigan Glass Month. It features contemporary works in clay, fiber, metal, wood and glass. Call (810) 642-4755.

ARIANA GALLERY

To April 30 - "Scripture, the Language of Glass: Interpretation 1996" continues at 119 S. Main, Royal Oak. The display, the gallery's ninth annual glass exhibit, features more than 100 selected works from the nation's newest and most exciting glass artists. Call (810) 546-8810.

ATRIUM GALLERY

Through April - The gallery at 109 N. Center, Northville, honors Michigan Glass Month with "Products of the Glass Hole." The exhibit includes ornate, sculptured figures, vases, bowls, paperweights and perfume bottles, featuring artists Harry Boyer, John Carney, John Fitzpatrick, Bruce Freund, George Jewell, Stan Megdall, Greg and Jean Smith, Rebecca Stewart and Townsend Glass. Also on display: exciting new multimedia paintings from Farmington Hills artist Jeri Fellweek - contemporary pieces of varied subject matter, plus abstract, and oil and acrylic works on canvas and paper by Farmington artist Felix Braslavsky. Braslavsky's figurative paintings are multifaceted and festive. Each tells a story and reflects his background in theater. Call (810) 342-4131.

BUNTING GALLERY

To April 30 - Recent paintings by G. Jesse Gledhill are exhibited at 514 S. Washington, Royal Oak. Call (810) 545-4820.

CLIQUE GALLERY

During April - During Glass Month, glass and monographs made on glass plates by Baker O'Brien are exhibited at 200 W. Fifth, Royal Oak. Also on display are new Roman glass jewelry and other designs by Lucy Bergamini and a variety of glass delights from coast to coast. Call (810) 545-2200.

MACK AVENUE GALLERY

Through April 30 - The Michigan Glass Guild participates in Glass Art Month with an exhibit at 18743 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe. The display features blown, fused, cast, etched, stained

and leaded glass by 17 artists. Call (810) 681-3030.

ROYAL OAK PUBLIC LIBRARY

During April - Watercolors by Artist of the Month Joyce Blanky are shown at 222 E. 11 Mile. Call (810) 541-1470.

URBAN ARCHITECTURE

During April - Glass objects by renowned designers including Elmore Botteas Jr. and Andrea Anastasio of Italy, Borek Sipak of Czechoslovakia, Philippe Starck of France and David Palterer of Israel and the U.K., are featured at 4 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Call (810) 645-8900.

WARREN CITY HALL GALLERY

During April - Watercolors by Fran Wertz are exhibited at 29500 Van Dyke.

DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET

Through May 3 - "Select 5," an exhibit featuring works by Kevin Castle, Leslie Denyer, Nancy Patek, Valerie Mann and Anne Milla McCauley, continues at 300 River Place, Suite 1650, Detroit. Pieces include drawing, painting, printmaking and mixed media. Call (313) 953-1770.

BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD ART ASSOCIATION

Through May 4 - The 15th annual Michigan Fine Arts Competition exhibit continues at 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham. The competition brings a quality array of original work including drawings, paintings, prints, photographs, sculpture and fibers. Juror is celebrated painter and graphic artist Jane Hammond. Call (810) 644-0868.

THE HALSTED GALLERY

To May 4 - "Camera Work" continues at 569 N. Woodward, Birmingham. The exhibit includes vintage photographs from the photo-ecession. A special highlight is vintage photos by Clarence White, who was one of the original members of the photo-ecession and who schooled a whole style of photography.

Camera work began in 1993 by plastic plates of Rodin's and Matisse's drawings. It was a photo-mechanical process that produced gravures under the direction of noted photographer Alfred Stieglitz. Call (810) 644-8284.

PIERCE STREET GALLERY

Through May 4 - "Financial Canyon," an exhibit of photographs by Marco Lorenzetti, continues at 217 Pierce, Birmingham. Lorenzetti uses the architectural elements of Chicago's financial district as a backdrop for his photos in the show. Figures have an ephemeral quality. Lorenzetti, who lives in the Birmingham-Bloomfield area, works as an architectural photographer and is a partner of Balharzar Korab. Call (810) 646-0950.

THE WETSMAN COLLECTION

Through May 4 - Ceramics by Wendy Walgate, created by Ann Catrin Evans and jewelry by Joan Parcher are exhibited at 132 N. Woodward, Birmingham. Walgate's ornate ceramic platters and vessels, richly layered in color and texture, are inspired by the architectural elements of temples and shrines. The simplistic forms of Evans' sculptural and functional door handles, knobs and knockers are inspired by mechanical and industrial elements, as the artist selects and abstracts various components of machinery. Parcher is recognized as a leading American jeweler by her innovative use of materials such as graphite and nuts for her minimal, geometric forms. Call (810) 646-6212.

THE COMMUNITY HOUSE

To May 6 - Paul Dohr of Royal Oak is artist of the month at 380 S. Bates, Birmingham, displaying 20 traditional watercolor paintings.

THE ANDERSON GALLERY

Through May 5 - "Sculptural Forms in Fiber" continues at 7 N.

Saginaw, Pontiac, featuring seven unusually interesting artists whose sculptural fiber work ranges from intricate masks, fantastical headpieces, woven wire sculpture, floss (sculptured wool weaving) and fiber vessels. Call (810) 335-4611.

FIRST FEDERAL BUILDING

Through May 6 - Watercolor paintings by Bloomfield Hills artist Karen Halpern are shown at 1001 Woodward, at Michigan Avenue in Detroit.

OBJECTS OF ART

To May 10 - The third annual Kennedy Center Benefit continues at 6243 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, featuring high-quality art by Kennedy Center students who are mentally or physically challenged. All of the sales of the

students' work goes to the school and the students, who are between 14 and 28 years old. Call (810) 539-3332.

SOUTHFIELD CIVIC CENTER

To May 10 - A one-woman show of expressionistic work by Troy artist Marcia Tournay continues at 26000 Evergreen. The exhibit features 25 paintings.

CARY GALLERY

Through May 11 - An exhibit by gallery artists, including new works by Mary Ann, Cathy Van Voorhis and Sarah Aslakson, continues at 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester. Call (810) 851-3658.

CUNIFF STUDIO-GALLERY

A photo exhibit by "Lawrence" and Bob Kun continues at 11 S. Broadway, Lake Orion. Call (810) 693-3632.

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