

## FINE ARTS

# Area gallery site of benefit auction

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## BENEFIT AUCTION

The Start Gallery, 211 N. Woodward, Birmingham, will be the site of a silent art auction by the Casa Community United Methodist Church to benefit the Emmaus Meal Program July 28 through Aug. 3. The program is a home-delivered meals service for senior citizens, people with Alzheimer's Disease, developmentally disabled adults, the homeless and people with AIDS. Gallery proprietor John Cynar offered the use of the gallery for a full week. Items to be auctioned will include works in all mediums by local artists. Special receptions are planned. Casa Community UMC is seeking corporate sponsors to participate in the event. Call Cynar at (810) 644-2991, or Paul Giampetroni or Pamela Moore at (313) 833-7730, if you would like to help.

## NOMINATIONS, PLEASE

Concerned Citizens for the Arts in Michigan is seeking nominations for the 12th annual Governors' Arts Awards. The awards recognize those who develop and support the arts in Michigan. This year's categories are International Achievement, Michigan Artist, Civic Leader, Arts Organization, Arts in Education, Business Honor Roll and Media Honor Roll. Nominations must be postmarked by Friday, June 21. For more information, call CCAM at (313) 961-1776.

## GOING BUGGY

Clique Gallery, 200 W. Fifth, Royal Oak, is calling for artists for "Insects Inside," a show of jewelry, glass and small sculpture with a bug theme. The display is scheduled July 16 to Aug. 24. Call (810) 545-2200 for information.

## ANIMATION CLUB

An animation film workshop is scheduled for every Saturday, now through June 29. Call (810) 626-2286, pager (810) 312-8666, for information.

## SCHOLARSHIP

The Marvin and Betty Danto Scholarship Fund gives teenagers the opportunity to receive scholarships to attend the Interlochen Center for the Arts National Music Camp this summer in Interlochen, Mich. Marvin Danto is chairman and chief executive officer of Michigan Design Center in Troy and Design Center of the Americas in Dania, Fla. Each year, the Dantos earmark three or four scholarship awards for minority, inner city or financially disadvantaged students living in southeastern Michigan or south Florida. Students of the arts and especially music and dance, who excel on piano, bassoon, oboe, violin, trumpet, percussion, drama and ballet are encouraged to apply for these scholarships.

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For an application or more information, contact Carol Horning, Interlochen Arts Camp, P.O. Box 199, Interlochen 49643-0199, call (616) 276-7200, fax (616) 276-6321.

## WORKSHOPS

The Detroit Institute of Arts periodically offers opportunities for artists to teach workshops related to special exhibits and its permanent collection. Teacher certification isn't required. Typically these workshops consist of one, two- or three-day programming and are offered to children, adults and teachers. The DIA is in the process of updating its file to include local artists who may be interested in teaching workshops for the museum. If you are an artist who wishes to be included for future consideration, forward a copy of your resume, one to five slides of your work that can be kept on file and a brief artist's statement to Lisa Blackburn, Education Department, Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit 48202.

## TALKING NOTE

The Detroit-based music organization GMMAS Inc. has announced plans for a seminar, "This Business of Music," 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, May 26, at the Ramada Inn Hotel in Southfield. Topics to be covered include recording contracts, music copyrights and royalty structure. Call (313) 835-8973 or (313) 965-4680 to register or for more information.

## HANDCOLORING

The Paint Creek Center for the Arts offers a one-day handcoloring workshop for adults 6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 6. Learn to handcolor black and white photographs. Registration deadline is Wednesday, May 29. For more information, call the PCCA, (810) 651-4110.

## CELEBRATE LIFE

The Congregational Church of Birmingham is again inviting artists working in diverse media to enter its 18th annual juried art show, "Celebrate Life." Entry forms are due Friday, May 31. Each artist is limited to the entry of two works. A \$10 entry fee must accompany each work. This year's show will be juried by Craig and Diane Bell, owners of The Bell Gallery in Birmingham. Nearly \$1,000 in cash prizes will be awarded to artists whose works are selected to be exhibited in the show. Again this year, the Katharine Bell Best of Show Award, a \$300 cash prize named for a longtime CCB member, will be given along with as many as six \$100 merit awards. For entry forms, write the Art Committee, Congregational Church of Birmingham UCC, 1000 Cranbrook Road, Bloomfield Hills 48304, or call the church at (810) 646-4511. The show is set to open Saturday, June 16, and close Saturday, June 22. It will be open 11 a.m.

to 4 p.m. daily. A preview sale, open to all artists who enter the sale, is set 5:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 12. The special preview sale, the first in the show's history, was scheduled to give artists expanded opportunities to sell their works, show chairwoman Linda Bicum said.

"This year we are also expanding our outreach ministry by donating an amount equal to 10 percent of the show's proceeds to the Furniture Resource Center of Pontiac," she said. "The Furniture Resource Center provides the essentials of home furnishings to those who need them most."

Artists are encouraged to enter paintings, drawings, collages, hard and soft sculpture, graphics, photography, ceramics, glass, jewelry and fiber and wearable art. Paintings and hangings mustn't exceed six feet in width or length and must be prepared for hanging. Sculptures mustn't exceed five feet by five feet by six feet and 200 pounds in weight.

All two-dimensional works must be wired with screw eyes or hanging devices. Works of art to be entered into the jurying are due at the church between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Friday, June 7. Art

works will be judged Saturday, June 8. Awards will be formally presented at a reception 7-9 p.m. Friday, June 14, at the church.

## INSTALLMENTS INVITATION

The Paint Creek Center for the Arts seeks proposals from Michigan artists for INSTALLMENTS III, an exhibit of five temporary outdoor sculptures or installations in Rochester Municipal Park taking place Sept. 6-14. This show of site-specific works will coincide with the nationally acclaimed Art & Apples Festival, a juried fine art fair, Sept. 7-8.

Al LaVergne, professor of art at Western Michigan University, will jury the proposals. INSTALLMENTS III welcomes all forms of media as well as collaborative proposals. Chosen

artists or teams will be awarded a \$1,200 stipend for their projects. All proposals must be received at the PCCA by 5 p.m. Saturday, June 22. Entry fee is \$10.

For an application, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to INSTALLMENTS III, Paint Creek Center for the Arts, 407 Pine, Rochester 48307. For more information, call the PCCA (810) 651-4110.

## ARTISTS NEEDED

The historic Longore House in Farmington Hills seeks applications from artists for its juried Art, Antique and Music Festival, taking place Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 31 and Sept. 1. Call Suzanne (810) 477-8404 for information.

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## Paintings look at human nature

### PERSPECTIVES



MARY KLEMIC

The paintings in Marcia Freedman's current exhibit at the Start Gallery in Birmingham are titled "Food."

This would suggest views of nature; what is shown are views of human nature.

The show continues to May 30 at 211 N. Woodward (call (810) 644-2991).

While the large works by the Bloomfield Hills artist contain elements of nature, their surfaces are filled with energy and tension. While forms resemble leaves and stems, and the colors are of wood or earth tones — even the soft blues and vivid reds have a geological feel — the strokes are bold and dynamic. Some shapes suggest primitive human shapes, a person confronting a tumultuous universe.

The media include oil, enamel, wax, charcoal, varnish, earth, plaster and crayon. They enhance — and cause — an assortment of textures, rough and

ragged as well as smooth, adding to the energy and tension of the works, the suggestion that different people face and are affected by different surroundings.

The Start Gallery, just north of Maple, is especially busy these days. It will mark its first anniversary next month.

This summer, it will be the site of a silent auction to benefit the Emmaus Meal Program, a service that delivers meals to senior citizens, developmentally disabled adults, the homeless and people with AIDS. Works by local artists will be auctioned. The event will run for a full week, and will include receptions.

Artists, food service establishments and businesses are wanted for the benefit. Call gallery proprietor John Cynar at (810) 644-2991, or Paul Giampetroni or Pamela Moore at the Casa Community United Methodist Church and Center at (313) 833-7730, if you would like to participate.

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