

## Ask experts about art objects

Bring art objects to the Detroit Institute of Arts' free Ask the Experts Day 1-4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 18, 5200 Woodward.

DIA curators and other staff members will help identify objects, indicating nationality, date, possible authorship and condition, and advise about restoration and care of genuine works.

No monetary values will be given. Expertise cannot be offered on stamps, coins, trading cards, icons, newspapers,

toys, musical instruments or portrait miniatures. A list of experts will be available.

Bring up to three objects, including paintings, prints, drawings, photographs, sculpture, decorative arts (including furniture), ethnographic art and antiques. Works on paper must be unframed.

Registration begins 12:30 p.m. in the DIA's Prentis Court. Assistance with large items will be available.

## Figley from page G10

lar or plural, which is rather unusual in plant vernacular. *Bipinnatus* is attributed to the featherlike arrangement of the leaves. This tall, graceful, yet unpretentious flower blends in well with most any garden design.

Seeds of Cosmos were collected in Mexico toward the end of the 18th century and when they reached Spain the English ambassador at Madrid during that time introduced the seeds to his country in 1799.

The plants didn't do very well in England because the weather just wasn't hot enough, and the gardeners planted it in soil that was too rich, giving up bloom for foliage. In America, the plants survived best in poor soil, therefore even the most neglectful gardeners could grow

Cosmos. (American seedsmen also chose early-maturing plants.)

The tall stems of Cosmos and the delicate, yet eye-catching pink, deep rose, orange or white blooms continue to add color throughout the summer into fall.

This spring, don't try to plant the seeds in rows, because they are at their best when scattered about; volunteers add still more charm the next year.

Cosmos are excellent cut flowers and look appropriate in a simple or an elegant container.

Murly Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. Leave her a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1859.

## Goodwill antiques show slated

The 49th annual Metro Detroit Junior Group Goodwill Antiques Show will take place Friday-Sunday, Nov. 22-24, at the Michigan State Fair grounds, Woodward at Eight Mile in Detroit.

A special patron's preview will be 7-10 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21. Tickets for the preview are \$75 and \$125; to order, call (313) 886-6787.

Doors to the show open 11 a.m. Tick-

ets are \$7 general admission and \$6 for senior citizens. Tickets may be bought at the door or through Junior Group-Goodwill members. Call (313) 886-6787 for information.

The show will feature 50 select exhibitors.

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