



home and garden calendar

Send information about programs, classes, receptions and other events in Wayne and Oakland counties related to the home and garden to: Mary Klemic, At Home Editor, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009; fax (248) 644-1314.

HOME

The Marshall Historical Society will host its 34th Historic Home Tour 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6, and 10

a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 7. Tickets for adults are \$10 before Sunday, Aug. 31, and \$12 after; tickets for children under 12 are free. Tickets are good both days. Free parking and shuttle bus service. Come early in the day and stay overnight if you wish. Call the Marshall Chamber of Commerce at (800) 877-5163 for more information. Marshall is about 105 miles from Detroit, near Battle Creek. The tour will feature eight pri-

vate homes and seven other structures, a juried arts and crafts show, antique shows, snack booths, lunches, bake sales, a Civil War encampment and musical entertainment. Most of Marshall's hundreds of well-maintained

19th century homes are within the nation's largest "Small Urban" National

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every day.

At home or in your travels, there will be architectural subjects that will most certainly enhance your photography album.

Architectural photography is also an excellent subject with which to experiment with abstracts. Imagine how creative you can be with the steel grid work in a building under construction or with a pattern of textured brickwork.

Don't overlook details either such as a single window, unusual doorway, or rocker on a nostalgic front porch. Remember, a detail helps "tell the story" of the whole.

As in most photography, morning or afternoon light will give maximum impact to your shots. And don't forget nighttime photos of floodlit buildings and fountains for a totally different look.

You may be thinking, "What about distortion in architectural photography?" Don't worry, only the pros are concerned with this.

On the contrary, distortion in buildings and other structures can add an element of mystique and drama to your shot. Distortion can give your picture a special esthetic quality not obtained in professional architectural photography.

So leave the kids in the back yard for a while and put you and your camera in the architectural mode!

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then his mailbox number, 1873. His fax number is (248) 644-1314.

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