

Noteworthy

Gallery exhibits, art shows, classical concerts

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AUDITIONS/ CALL FOR ENTRIES

FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CHORUS

Auditions for spring session 7:30 p.m. January 6 & 13. Chorus performs two major shows each year, a holiday concert and a spring concert. Must be an area resident, at least 18 years old. Farmington Hills Activity Center, 11 Mile Road, east of Middlebelt, Farmington Hills; (248) 471-4516.

NAT'L JURIED EXHIBIT & ART & APPLES AT PCCA

Paint Creek Center for the Arts seeks entries for national juried all media exhibition, March 27-April 24, 1998. Deadline for slide entries: Jan. 15, 1998. PCCA seeks applications from artists in fine arts or fine crafts at the Juried Art & Apples Festival, Sept. 12-13, 1998. Slides must be received by March 6, 1998. Entry fee: \$20. For prospectus and application form write or contact PCCA, 407 Pine Street, Rochester, MI 48307; (248) 651-4110.

17TH ANNUAL MICHIGAN FINE ARTS COMPETITION

Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association seeks entries for its statewide all media competition, March 6-27. For information and a prospectus, call (248) 644-0866.

MICHIGAN DRAWING BIENNIAL '98

Hand deliver entries to Room 106 Ford Hall, Eastern Michigan University by 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10. Opening reception Tuesday, Feb. 3, exhibit thru Feb. 20, for information, contact Eastern Michigan Art Department.

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHOIR

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13 & 20. Fifty voice choir includes both students and experienced singers of all ages. St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road (west of Inkster), Dearborn; (248) 349-8175 or (313) 462-4435.

VERY SPECIAL ARTS MICHIGAN

Call for Art by people with disabilities for a juried exhibition. Deadline: Jan. 15. Contact VSAMI office, 21700 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield, MI 48075; (248) 423-1080.

MUSIC COMPETITION

The Bohemians Club, a.k.a. The Musicians Club of Greater Detroit, will hold its first annual Solo Concerto Competition for orchestral instruments. Prize money will be awarded. Contestants, between ages of 16-22, must submit performance tape by March 1, 1998. Send to: Herbert Couf, c/o The Bohemians, 37685 Russell Drive, Farmington Hills, MI 48331.

DOCUMENTA USA

Slides, videotape (no longer than 15 minutes) for a three-month spring 1998 exhibit. Every submission will be presented. Artists of any medium, age free to participate. The Museum of Contemporary Art, 23 W. Lawrence St., Ste. 101, Pontiac, MI 48342.

PARK PLAYERS

7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 8 & 1 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, open audition for Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado." All roles open for casting. Prepare 16 bars of a song to demonstrate vocal range. An accompanist will be provided. Scheduled performances March 21-23, 28-30 and April 3-4, 1998. North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale, Detroit; (313) 459-2332.

HARBOR BELLS

English secular hand bell choir has openings for ringers 18 years or older. Must read music. Rehearsals once a week, Sept.-June. (248) 681-6453.

BREVARD MUSIC CENTER AUDITIONS

Regional auditions 4-7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, University of Michigan, Room #2043. Brevard Music Center is a summer music festival in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina. The program runs June 24-Aug. 9, 1998 for advanced instrumentalists ages 14-35, and for opera students who have completed at least one year of college study. Auditions will serve both admission and scholarship purposes. To schedule an audition, and for more information, call Lynn



Legendary Interpretation: Internationally acclaimed artists, flutist Ginka Gerova-Ortega and classical-modern Indian dancer Puspita Das, present an Indian legend using the rhythms, gestures and poses of Indian dance and the raga of the flute, 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 28, Lecture Hall, Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-4249. The concert is accompanied by a narrator and explanations by the performers.

Johnson, (704) 884-2975.

BENEFITS

FRIENDS OF POLISH ART

6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, the annual Christmas Wigilia celebration, a traditional Polish Christmas Eve meal. Proceeds benefit the fine arts fund. Polish Century Club, 5181 E. Outer Drive, Detroit; (313) 455-6207.

MS THROUGH THE EYES OF A CHILD

A calendar of 12 images selected from the 87-piece international exhibit, and holiday cards and note cards. Write/contact the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, 733 Third Avenue, New York, NY, 10017; (800) FIGHT MS.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

BBAA WINTER CLASSES

Registration for Jan. 5-March 28 classes, new offerings include Women and Visual Arts, Color Theory and Application, Experimental Basketry with Paper, Introduction to Printmaking, Steel Sculpture Workshop. Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, 1516 Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

Through March 5 - 10 a.m.-12:15 p.m., "Survey of World Art," Holley Room; Thursdays, Jan. 29, Feb. 5, 12 & 19, 4-6 p.m., "Drawing for Adults," Studio and Galleries; 10 a.m.-noon Saturdays Jan. 31, Feb. 7, 14, "Altering Spaces: Installation Art," Holley Room; 10 a.m.-noon Saturdays Feb. 21, 28 March 7, "From the African Loom to the African American Quilt." Fees vary. Classes and workshops require preregistration. To register call (313) 833-4249.

PCCA WINTER CLASSES

Registration open for classes from 4 years old and up. Classes run, Jan. 19-March 4, 407 Pine Street, Rochester, MI 48307. To register, call (248) 651-4110.

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER

Winter classes begin the week of Jan. 12, including drawing vessel workshop, painting landscapes, figurative painting, 117 W. Liberty, downtown Ann Arbor; (313) 994-9004.

CHORALE

LIVONIA CIVIC CHORUS

"Making Spirits Bright," a holiday

musical pick-me-up directed by Jim Whitten with guest artists the Timberbox Children's Choir (under the direction of Ray Schmidt), 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21 at the Clarenceville High School Auditorium, 20155 Middlebelt Road (between Seven and Eight Mile roads), Livonia. Free. (734) 525-1447.

RENAISSANCE VOICES

Holiday concert features "Festival of Lessons and Carols" service which is performed annually at King's College in Cambridge, England, as well as "Ceremony of Carols" by Benjamin Britten, 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21, Christ Episcopal Church, 120 N. Military (at Cherry Hill Road), Dearborn, \$8, \$5 for students and seniors. (313) 317-6566.

HIGHLAND PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

The Wonders of His Love, Highland Park Baptist Church Choral Choir and guest concert pianist Michael Faircloth, 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21, 28600 Lahser Road, Southfield. Tickets complimentary, but recommended, call (248) 357-5464.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 4, the Polish Choral in a concert of Polish Christmas songs, St. Barbara, 13534 Colson, Dearborn; (313) 863-6209.



New Year's Eve Gala: Featuring music of Strauss, Bernstein and Webber in a concert of popular waltzes and Broadway musical favorites, plus the artistry of professional ballroom dancers, including Glenn Clark and Cindy Gerald of Southfield, 9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31. The Keith Saxton Sextet will perform for dancing onstage after the concert. Party hats, noise-makers provided. Tickets: \$25-\$55, (Box Seats, \$85) 3711 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, (313) 833-3700.

students. (248) 968-3565/(248) 642-3306.

DEIN PERRY'S TAP DOGS

Friday, Dec. 26-Sunday, Jan. 4, Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays (\$26 and \$36), 3 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays (\$22.50 and \$32.50), 7 p.m. Sundays (\$32.50 and \$22.50), 8 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays (\$22.50 and \$32.50), and 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31 (\$26 and \$36). All ages. (313) 872-1000.

THE RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR

Through Saturday, Dec. 27, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10-\$50. (313) 983-6611/(248) 645-6668.

LECTURES

CHANGING SPACES

2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, a video presentation on the current exhibit, "Changing Spaces," in the Detroit Institute of Arts modern gallery, DIA, Lecture Hall, 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-7899.

MEETING

FARMINGTON ARTISTS CLUB

7 p.m. second Wednesday every month, September-May. Lower level of the Farmington Hills Library, 32737 W. 12 Mile Road, between Farmington and Orchard Lake Roads; (248) 646-3707.

MUSEUMS

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN ART MUSEUM

Through Dec. 14 - Sephoris In Galilee: Crosscurrents of Culture, the Kelsey Museum of Archaeology and Art Museum; through Jan. 4 - "Glances and Gazes of the Social Fantastic: Early 20th-Century French Photography; through Jan. 4 - "Fifteen Visions: Books by Contemporary Regional Artists. 525 S. State Street, Ann Arbor; (313) 764-0395.

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY

Through Dec. 28 - "Sacred Arts of Haitian Vodou," more than 500 objects. 315 East Warren at Brush, Detroit. (313) 494-5800.

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM

Through Dec. 12 - 1997 Winter Degree Show, featuring Mary Preston, metalsmithing, and Mark Kolodziejczak, architecture; through Jan. 4 - "Photography and Site," an exhibit of nine contemporary photographers; "Fragments Toward a City: Architecture and Photography." 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 645-3323.

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE

Through Jan. 4 - "Seasons Lab," a featured attraction at the Experiment Gallery, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 645-3324.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

Through Jan. 4 - "Changing Spaces, Part I," "Splendors of Ancient Egypt," through Jan. 16-Feb. 22 - "Changing Spaces, Part II." Suggested admission: \$4 adults; \$1 students/children; Founders Society members free; (313) 833-7900, 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit.

MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

Through Feb. 1 - "The Mars Show," a planetarium presentation of the red planet narrated by Star Trek's Patrick Stewart. 1109 Geddes Avenue, Ann Arbor; (313) 764-0478.

NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION

CHASE THE BLUES NIGHT 9:30-11:30 p.m., Dec. 31, featuring Little Sonny and the Detroit Rhythm Band, First Baptist Church, next to Jacobson's, downtown Birmingham, between Willis and Bates streets. Admission: \$7 adults; \$5 children; (248) 644-0550.

JAZZ REVISITED

8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, "Jazz Revisited," featuring James Duggan's Jazz Band in a celebration of swinging jazz. Hosted by Michigan Radio's Hazen Schumacher. Other featured performers include vocalist Banu Gibson and Franz Jackson. Tickets: \$25; (248) 645-6666. Sponsored by WUOM, WVGR.

WFUM. Power Center, University of Michigan campus, Ann Arbor. For information, (313) 764-9210.

READING

BALDWIN LIBRARY

2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 23, "Frog and Toad," a theatrical performance by the Wild Swan Theatre. 300 W. Merrill, downtown Birmingham; (248) 647-1700, ext. 3.

OPEN MIC AT CARIBOU

Third Wednesday of each month. Caribou Coffee, Walton & Livernois; (248) 544-4657.

STORYTELLING

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM

11:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m., Friday-Sunday, Dec. 26-28, "Betwixt the Holidays: Storytelling with LaRion Williams." Admission: \$4 adults; \$2 students, children and seniors. 1221 N. Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 645-3323.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, "Light and Laughter," Corinne Slavist, tells popular seasonal Jewish stories, including Isaac Bashevis Singer's "The First Schlemiel." Lecture Hall, 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-7899.

VOLUNTEERS

CRANBROOK TOURS

Tour guides for public tour programs of Cranbrook campus. Individuals will be trained to give extensive tours of entire National Historic Landmark campus, including Saarinen House and Garden, Cranbrook House, Call (248) 645-3314.

DIA'S SPLENDOR OF EGYPT

Volunteers to contribute a minimum of three-and-a-half hours to assist and greet visitors in the galleries. Organizations and groups of 10 welcome. Exhibit runs through Jan. 4. Schedulers will design times to meet your schedule; (313) 833-0247.

HOLIDAY ART GIFTS

TOUCH OF LIGHT

Through Dec. 24 - Hand-blown glass show, featuring work of John Fitzpatrick, including ornaments. 23426 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale; (248) 543-1868.

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER

Through Dec. 26 - Holiday Gifts show, featuring 28 artists. 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor; (313) 994-8004.

SILK PHOTOGRAPHY

Through Dec. 28 - "Annual Holiday Photo Sale," 14261 Nadine, Oak Park; (248) 544-1203.

GALLERY BIRMINGHAM

Through Dec. 29 - Holiday exhibit, featuring Marel Anoro, John Asaro, Schol Kahn and Rick Laney. 390 E. Maple, Birmingham; (248) 540-8505.

CHRISTIE'S GALLERY

Through Dec. 30 - "Art Wear & Gifts," featuring jewelry, handbags, ceramic ornaments. 34649 S. Woodward, Birmingham.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER HOLIDAY MARKETPLACE

Through Dec. 31 - Annual gift shop includes all media. Proceeds benefit the arts center. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

MILLERS ARTISTS SUPPLIES

Through Dec. 31 - "Holiday Gift Bazaar," featuring works by local artists. 279 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale; (248) 414-7070.

MOORE'S GALLERY

Through Dec. 31 - "African Gift Items," including baskets, batiks, dolls, masks and jewelry. 304 Hamilton Row, Birmingham; (248) 64-SHONA.

PARK WEST

Through Dec. 31 - "Annual Holiday Show," featuring Linda Le Kniel. 29469 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield; (248) 354-2343.

PEWABIC POTTERY

Through Dec. 31 - Annual holiday show, "Earthly Treasures." 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit; (313) 822-0954.