

ART BEAT

Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art world. Send Wayne County arts news leads to Art Beat, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (734) 591-7279.

ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

The Southeast Region Committee of VSA Arts of Michigan (formerly Very Special Arts) will award a scholarship (up to \$500) to assist a person with a disability to further their creative talent in the areas of visual, performing or literary arts.

To be eligible artists must be 13-years-old and up (includes senior citizens) and must reside in the counties of Wayne, Washtenaw, Oakland, Monroe, Macomb, Livingston, Lenawee or Jackson County.

Deadline for application is Tuesday, March 20. An application must be prepared by the artist or someone assisting them.

To apply, call Cindy Babcock at (248) 543-9158 or send e-mail to cindybab@aol.com.

ARTS MEETING

Three Cities Art Club holds its monthly meeting 7 p.m. Monday, March 5 in the Plymouth Township Clerk's Office, Ann Arbor Road and Lilley.

Livonia artist Al Weber will critique painting brought by those in attendance. For information, call Annalee Davis at (734) 427-6524.

JAZZ NIGHT

Schoolcraft College will host a concert of big band music by jazz bands from Schoolcraft College, Oakland Community College and Macomb Community College 7 p.m. Monday, March 5 in the Waterman Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia.

The public is invited. For more information, call (734) 462-4435.

MANDALA CLASS

Cathy Dyer will teach a 4-week inspirational and healing art class on creating mandalas beginning 7:15-8:45 p.m. Tuesday, March 6 at Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon at Junction.

The cost is \$70, \$65 arts council members. To pre-register, call (734) 418-4278.

Dyer's process of creating a

mandala involves meditation to access symbols and colors, which come from the inner self and from spiritual guidance, to create art in a circle.

TILE FAIR

Livonia ceramist Nancy Guido is one of the exhibitors in Pewabic Pottery's Winter Antique & Contemporary Art Tile Fair 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 11 at St. George Cultural Center, 1515 South Woodward, north of Square Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills. Admission is \$5. Call (313) 822-0854.

Free antique tile application services and tile installation demonstrations are scheduled with how-to instructions for setting tile tables, back splashes and floors. All proceeds from a silent auction of tiles will benefit Pewabic's education and historic programs.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

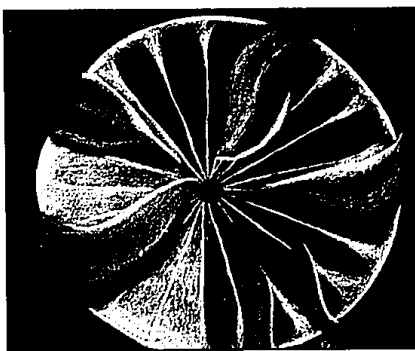
Former Livonia Arts Commissioners Barb Stewart, Anne Pritchard and Jo Griffing are looking for exhibitors for a show LAC Artists Through the Years to be held in June in the first arts gallery at the Livonian Civic Center Library. Stewart is hoping to contact all arts commissioners, past and present, to exhibit their work. The show is dedicated to the late Marie Tuhill, a former commissioner and long-time artist in Livonia.

Entries are due May 15. For information, call (734) 522-7159 or send e-mail to john.stewart22@gte.net.

The exhibit will continue through June 30. Artists should be prepared to help set up and take down the art work. A reception is scheduled for Saturday, June 2.

LOOKING FOR NONFICTION WRITERS

A new non-fiction writer's guild is forming with an emphasis on aids in selling your work including discussions on publishing, contracts, copyright, journalism, and style manuals. Guest speakers will be authors, editors, publishers, reporters, etc. Critiques will be focused on writing, not ideas. No poetry, short stories or novels, only non-fiction. Meetings will be held near Seven Mile and Middlebelt in Livonia. For more information,



Mandala class: Cathy Dyer will teach a Plymouth Community Arts Council workshop on creating art inside a circle.

call (248) 478-5506.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

Canton Township is seeking artists for its 10th annual Fine Art and Fine Craft Show 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, June 23 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 24 at Liberty Fest in Heritage Park.

Deadline for application submission is April 16. Call (734) 453-3710.

Artists may display their work under the big tents or bring their own. Each exhibitor must submit slides or photographs of their paintings, prints, sculpture, ceramics, jewelry, drawing, pastel, or fine craft.

ACTORS WANTED

The Plymouth Theatre Guild is holding auditions for 4 women and 7 men for *Vaudeville: A Play with Music* 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, March 5-6 at the Watertown Theatre on the grounds of Northville Psychiatric Hospital.

Set in Philadelphia in 1919, the comedy is filled with vibrant personalities from the golden age of variety acts. The show will be performed May 4-5, 11-13 and 18-19. For information, call (734) 455-2469 or (248) 349-7110.

will lead a workshop on the Culture of India as part of the Wiggle Giggles Series (ages 5-11) 1-4 p.m. Saturday, March 10 at the Detroit Historical Museum, 5401 Woodward Avenue.

Children will learn about geography, ancient arts and important historical landmarks of India. Malaari, a dancer from the Institute of Fine and Performing Arts, will demonstrate gestures and steps of classical Indian dance.

The cost is \$3 and pre-registration is recommended. Call Keisha Barksdale at (313) 833-1262.

CELEBRATE THE ARTS

The Livonia Mall is celebrating the arts with a variety of concerts and art forms March 6-14. The Ladywood High School choir kicks off the celebration Monday, March 5 followed by Danny Williams playing jazz and a range of music. Jim Buckingham will play folk on March 7. The music continues with the Schoolcraft Jazz Combo March 12, and the Redford Madrigal Choir, March 13.

The celebration is a great way to experience art, some in a visual way, some hands-on. For a complete schedule, call (248)

476-1160.

SCULPTORS WANTED

The Livonia Arts Commission is seeking artists interested in producing a commissioned sculpture for the city of Livonia. The work will be the third piece for a developing environmental sculpture garden located behind city hall on the civic center grounds.

Interested artists should provide a proposal for the new sculpture in writing no later than March 31 to the Livonia Arts Commission, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, MI, 48154. For more information, call Livonia's community resources department at (734) 466-2538.

PRINT MAKING CLASS

Staci Miron, a member of the Farmington Artists Club, will teach art classes in Novi starting March 6. Beginning print making runs 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday, March 6 to April 25 and costs \$80 (does not include supplies). Beginning/advanced watercolor classes are 1-3 p.m. Thursday, March 15 to May 15, no class April 19. The cost is \$80 (does not include supplies). Call (248) 668-1718.

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All entries become the property of WJR and must be received by April 13, 2001. No cash equivalents. Judges decision is final. No purchase necessary. Winner will be announced May 19, 2001.

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WALK FOR WISHES 2001

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