

ART BEAT

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A COMMUNITY COMING TOGETHER

The Plymouth Community Arts Council, Plymouth Downtown Development Authority and local performing artist Matt Watrola are coming together to present a community gathering in honor of the victims of the attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon, and plane crash in Pennsylvania 4-7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23 in Kellogg Park on Main Street between Penniman and Ann Arbor Trail.

Area residents and civic groups are encouraged to join in this opportunity to embrace one another and show our support for those injured and killed in these heinous attacks. The concert is being hosted by Watrola and includes a variety of performers such as Josh White, Jr., Jan Krist, Neil Woodward and Gary Eisenburg. Cathy Dyer will have a table where people can receive pamphlets.

For more details or questions on participating, call the arts council at (734) 416-4278.

YOUNG ACTORS WANTED

The Livonia Youthcenter is holding auditions for ages 6-18 for *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown* 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29 and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30 in the Livonia Court of Livonia Mall, Seven Mile and Middlebelt.

Be prepared to sing and read from a script. A \$30 registration fee will be charged for the first child in a family, \$10 for any subsequent children. Actors will rehearse two afternoons a week for seven weeks at the Livonia Mall and then perform at the mall and Livonia Civic Center Library.

For information, call C.J. Nodus at (810) 344-7774.

AUTHOR LECTURE

Thomas Lynch, a Milford funeral director and noted author, will speak about his work 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30 at the Michigan League Grand Ballroom, 911 North University, Ann Arbor. Lynch wrote three collections of poetry, *Skating with Heather Grace*, *Criminal & Other Poems* and *Still Life in Milford*. His first book of essays, *The Undertaking: Life Studies from the Dismal Trade*, won an American Book Award and was a finalist for the National Book Award.

Lynch's passion and wry sense of humor are evident in his most recent work, *Bodies in Motion* and *at Rest*, which won the Great Lakes Book Award. He will sign books after his talk. Tickets are \$35 with all pro-

ceeds going to the University of Michigan's Turner Geriatric Clinic Social Work and community programs. Call (734) 764-2656.

ART RECEPTION

Meet artist Jim Quinlan at a reception 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 North Sheldon at Junction.

Quinlan will exhibit watercolor and acrylic paintings of landscape, seascape, architectural detail, flowers and still life from Monday, Sept. 24 to Friday, Oct. 19. He graduated with a degree in art and design from Pratt Institute in New York and was a design executive for Ford Motor Company for many years.

For information, call the arts council at (734) 416-4278.

FINE ARTS SHOW

SnapOne Promotions presents its third Fine Arts and Fine Crafts Show 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29 and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30 at Laurel Park Place, Six Mile and Newburgh, Livonia.

This is the first time the show has been held at the mall and ties in perfectly with a charity benefit the mall is sponsoring called "Store of Dreams." The mall has dedicated a store (during the month of September) to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen to help feed the hungry and raise awareness for the charity's programs. A display will tell about the Capuchin Soup Kitchen and the Earthworks Garden Project and how the fraters nurture Detroit's hungry and homeless.

"There will be a place to deposit canned goods," said Brother Vincent Reyes, pastoral director of the Capuchin Soup Kitchen and a photographer in the SnapOne show. "Earthworks started out as a project because Brother Rick wanted to heal the people and heal the earth. The display gives people an opportunity to see the impact a simple garden can have on the life of the city. The display also tells the story of the Soup Kitchen. We're about more than just feeding people a daily meal, we're nourishing their daily lives."

Located on Meldrum Street near St. Bonaventure Friary, the Capuchin Soup Kitchen is the country's oldest Capuchin Soup Kitchen, and with the Medbury Street location serves about 2,400 hot meals every day. It also sends many meals home, distributing more than a half million meals per year to needy men, women and children.

For more information about the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, call (313) 679-2100 or visit www.comnet.org/locn/orgs/cnpuh.

In addition to Brother Reyes, artists exhibiting in the Snap One show include photographer Patricia Nouhan, Erin Graiser (acrylic paintings, Farmington),

Thomas LeGault (paintings of northern Michigan scenes, Plymouth), Kathy Boltz Phillips (watercolors, West Bloomfield), and Diane Sowers (jewelry, Farmington Hills).

CASTING CALL

An open casting call is being held by Universal Studios for a major motion picture that is set in the 1995 Detroit hip hop scene. The call will be held for males and females (ages 18 and up) for extra and background roles 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 29-30 at the Detroit Academy of Arts & Sciences, 2260 Medbury at Chene.

All ethnic groups are welcome although African Americans are primarily sought. Looking for hip hop club kids who can dance, factory workers, truckers and drivers with pre-1995 working class vehicles. Also seeking a rag-muffin Caucasian girl (age five to a small eight-year-old), serious with soulful eyes.

All applicants must have flexible schedules and open availability from October through December. If cast, all positions will be paid.

For more information, call the hotline at (313) 498-6068. If you are unable to attend the open call, mail a photo to Untitled Detroit Project Casting, 3430 East Jefferson, P.O. Box 333, Detroit, MI, 48201. Include name, phone number, age and availability.

PHOTOGRAPHY SEMINAR

Livonia photographer Larry Diggs is among the exhibitors displaying their work during the grand opening of the Michigan Center for the Photographic Arts at Ery of the Eagle in Grass Lake.

Admission is free. Hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6 and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7. Call (517) 622-3705 for information and directions.

Farmington Hills photographers Monte Nagler and Junebug Clark are among those who will speak during seminars. Nagler will talk about *The Intricacies of Black and White Photography and Marketing Yourself as an Artist*. Clark will focus on *Pictures That Tell a Story*. Dale Fisher covers *Creating from the Air*.

DEADLINE NEARS

On Friday-Sunday, Oct. 6-7, the Historical Society of Michigan will present *Detroit's Story: 300 Years of Opportunity, Diversity and Success*, a conference on Detroit's history. The conference brings together noted scholars, including the Honorable Damon J. Keith, U.S. District Circuit Court of Appeals, and Philip Mason, history professor at Wayne State University.

The program will focus on opportunity, diversity and success. Tours of specific sites associated with the city's development will be available. Members

of the historical and genealogical societies, educators and the community are invited to participate.

Along with Keith and Mason, other speakers include Esther Gordy Edwards, Doug Fraser, Arthur Johnson, and Mary Ellen Riordan. Special programs will be held at the Detroit Historical Museum, Walter P. Reuther Library and the Museum of African American History.

For more information or a registration flyer visit the Web site at www.hsofmich.org or call the Historical Society of Michigan at (734) 769-1628.

ART CLASSES

Learn to draw, paint, use pastel or oils that mix with water in adult classes beginning 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 1. Children's art classes (beginner to advanced for ages 6-18) run 3:30-5:30 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Tuesdays. Staci Miron, a Farmington Artists Club member, teaches all classes at her studio in Novi.

The cost is \$80 for eight classes for adults, and \$80 for children plus \$20 material fee. Professional grade watercolor paints provided. Call (248) 668-1718 to register.

EVENING OF OPERA

The Friends of the Opera of Michigan present *Tutto Verdi*, selections from Verdi's most famous operas, 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29 at the Ford Community & Performing Arts Center, 15801 Michigan Avenue, Dearborn.

Tickets are \$20, \$15 seniors/students with I.D. Call (313) 943-2354.

Featured artists are baritone Quinto Millito, tenors Lee Eung Jin and Matthew Tuell, bass Lee Eun Suk, mezzo soprano Caterina Secchi, and soprano Dina Kessler and Anni T. Walker.

FOLK CONCERT

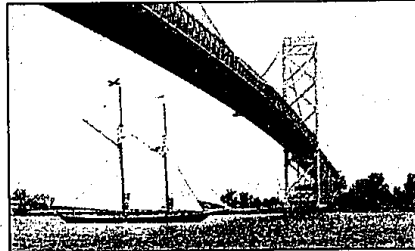
If you love great harmony, don't miss One Flight Up 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 North Sheldon at Junction. Tickets are \$15. Call (734) 416-4278.

One Flight Up is an acoustic trio made up of Eric Anderson, Shelley Quayle and David Best. They play all kinds of music from the 1940s to the present day.

WRITING SEMINAR

Are you tired of writer's block? Need inspiration to pick up a pen or some tips to help write a story? Cheryl Vatcher can help you during a writing seminar offered 6-7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28, at LaMocha Coffee House, 7680 North Canton Center Road (\$30).

Vatcher, a Plymouth writer who earned a master's degree from University of Michigan's School of Education, has penned articles for several metro Detroit newspapers. To register, call (734) 414-8680.



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