

ARTBEAT

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RECEPTION FOR

AWARD WINNING ARTIST

Meet ceramist John Glick at a reception to honor him for winning the Governor's Michigan Artist Award for 2001 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 15, at Farmington Hills City Hall.

An exhibition of Glick's work will be spotlighted Oct. 22 to Jan. 4 in the new Farmington Hills City Gallery located in the lobby of the Costick Center, 28300 W. 11 Mile. For information, call the Farmington Hills/Farmington Cultural Arts Division at (248) 473-1856.

Glick, a Farmington Hills resident, will receive the award at the Detroit Institute of Arts Nov. 13. Glick's pottery is in the collections of the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C., Detroit Institute of Arts and 16 museums nationwide.

ALL THAT JAZZ

Enjoy a one-hour multimedia presentation of Detroit jazz before Motown by authors Lars Bjorn and Jim Gallert 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 17 at the Carl Sandburg Library, 30100 W. Seven Mile, Livonia.

Bjorn and Gallert will sign copies of their book *Before Motown: A History of Jazz in Detroit, 1920-1960*. For information, call (248) 893-4010.

ARTS MEETING

Artifacts Art Club meets 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 16 at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road. There will be an informal critique of art work and an end of the meeting year party. The public is invited.

QUEST SPEAKER

Jo-Anne Wilke, executive director of The Art Center will speak about Mount Clemens Art in Public Places Program during the Farmington Community Arts Council's open house 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18, in the Visitors Center of Heritage Park on Farmington Road, south of 11 Mile.

The event offers the public the opportunity to meet arts council members and learn about the 24 organizations comprising the council. The evening begins with desserts and music by a jazz quintet. For information, call (248) 473-1857.

EVENING OF THEATER

Gloria Logan and Dennis Cockrum perform the play *Love Letters* 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon at Junction.

Tickets are \$25. Call (734) 416-4278.

The play is the story of a bitter-sweet relationship between a staid, dutiful lawyer and a lively, unstable artist as seen through their letters of correspondence. Logan, who plays the artist, is former drama director at the Plymouth Canton Educational Park.

ART AND FLOWER SHOW

The Livonia Artists Club and Greater Detroit Chrysanthemum Society will brighten up the atrium of the Livonia Civic Center Library Oct. 20-21 with a joint exhibition of art and flowers.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, and 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 21, at the library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road. More than a dozen members of the Livonia Artists Club will show a variety of media including ornaments.

"It's a sale, not a judged show," said club president Marge Masek. "We've never done this before with the flowers but we thought maybe they'd bring in more people and maybe they'd help us and we'd help them."

Variety is the theme of the day with the Greater Detroit Chrysanthemum Society offering everything from garden to cushion mums in dozens of different colors. The society was founded 60 years ago and meets regularly in the Livonia Civic Center Library.

"We'll have growers who grow large magnificent mums and others who grow what's called Bonsai that are small enough to fit into a cup," said Chrysanthemum Society member Margaret Neubacher of West Bloomfield. "I just love mums. If you went out into the garden right now you'd be hard pressed to find a flower, but the mums are blooming. I just love the color."

ORNAMENTS WANTED

Michigan has been chosen to provide the first U.S. Capitol Holiday Tree of the 21st century and residents have the opportunity to make it spectacular. The Capitol Holiday Tree committee, led by Mary Wright is looking for ornaments to decorate the evergreen from the Ottawa National Forest in the upper peninsula.

Approximately 800 to 1,000 ornaments are needed by Nov. 6. For more information and criteria, visit the Web site at www.holidaytree2001.org or call Tim McCaffrey at (734) 658-6390 or Wright at (906) 250-1419. The local drop-off site is the Plymouth Cultural Center, 625 Farmer.

The theme this year is Tree of Hope. Ornaments should be durable enough to withstand 6 weeks outdoors. Anyone can make the ornaments. You need not be an artist.

"We want the ornaments to have wings of some sort," said Wright. The tree is 78-feet high or as tall as a eight- to nine-story building so we're going to need lots of ornaments. It's an opportunity to express their creativity, to make something hope-



Gift horse: Audrey Harkins painted this work. It is one of hundreds for sale at the Livonia Artists Club exhibit at the Livonia Civic Center Library.

ful to make an impact at a time when our nation needs hope."

WORLD RELIGIONS EXHIBITION

The International Institute is exhibiting 55 photographs depicting religious diversity in Metropolitan Detroit through Saturday, Oct. 20.

Presented by Harvard University Pluralism Project and the University of Michigan-Dearborn in the spirit of peace and

understanding, the exhibit functions as a statement that people who share different beliefs can live together and enrich each others lives.

It is especially important to Metro Detroit because it gives a better understanding of the Islamic faith. Highlighted religions include Buddhism, Sikhism, Hinduism, Jainism, Judaism, Madaxaenism, Christianity, Islam, and Baha'i.

Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, and 9 a.m. to 5

p.m. Saturday-Sunday. For information, call (313) 871-8600.

OPERA

The Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan presents a *Viva Verdi* Gala Concert 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, at Ford Community and Performing Arts Center, 16801 Michigan Ave., Dearborn.

Tickets are \$15, \$12 seniors/students. Call (734) 525-1111.

Among the performing artists are sopranos Kim Swan and Danielle Maranette, mezzo soprano Dorothy Dunsing, alto Cathy McKeever, tenors Jack Morris and Michael Shuste, bass Steve Henrikson, and baritone Dino Valle.

SHARING THE GIFT

The ninth annual *Sharing the Gift* art show and sale takes place Friday-Sunday, Oct. 19-21, at First Presbyterian Church in Northville. Due to construction at the church, this year's show is smaller.

Nine artists were invited to show work with a spiritual theme this year. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and noon to 7 p.m. Sunday when the University of Michigan Percussion Ensemble perform a concert. For tickets, call (248) 349-6911.

Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, and 9 a.m. to 5

ORGAN MUSIC

Madonna University music professor David Wagner will kick off a Music for Meditation series featuring the organ music of Johann Sebastian Bach noon Thursday, Oct. 18, at St. Clement Church in Center Line and Friday, Oct. 19, at Grasse Pointe United Methodist Church.

The concerts are free. Different composers will be featured monthly through April. For information, call (734) 432-5708 or (313) 866-3259.

ARTS COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

The Plymouth Community Arts Council is hosting a Mini-Grant Workshop 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 15, at its facility, 774 North Sheldon at Junction. For information, call (734) 416-4278.

James E. Hart, grants and technical assistance officer for Detroit's Cultural Affairs Department, is the speaker. Public and private schools, artists and arts groups are invited to find out how to receive free grant money.

The arts council is also beginning a series of preschool art classes Friday, Oct. 19. The class incorporates stories with a variety of art experiences. Sessions are 10:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-2 p.m.

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