

Music guild offers variety

On the heels of one of its major endeavors, the Cranbrook Festival '74, the Cranbrook Music Guild has announced its series of concerts for the fall and winter 1974-75 season.

The five-concert series, held in historic Cranbrook House on the grounds of the Cranbrook Institutions, will feature a varied schedule.

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra Baroque Ensemble will open the season Oct. 1. The ensemble includes flutist Ervin Monroe, oboist Donald Baker, cellist Barbara Pickett and harpsichordist Alice Lingershausen.

Jazz harpist and Detroit Dorothy Ashby will present a concert Nov. 12. Mrs. Ashby is internationally known and has performed on the Tonight, Today, Mike Douglas and other television shows.

SHE ALSO HAS had her own bi-weekly radio show and has appeared with jazz greats like Duke Ellington, Louis Armstrong and vibes player Lionel Hampton.

Paris Conservatoire graduate pianist Miyoeko Yamane will be the guest soloist Dec. 3 at Cranbrook House. She has appeared in many countries and with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Maestro Sixten Ehrling.

Starting the 1975 portion of the series will be the annual Young Artists Concert Feb. 11. This year's concert will include soprano Ashley Putnam, winner of the Cranbrook Music Guild Brewer Scholarship and a 1974 Detroit Grand Opera Association award winner.

Sharing the concert with her will be pianist and Grinnell Scholarship winner Richard Reid of Juillard School of Music.

THE FINAL season attraction will be the performance March 11 of violinist Alexander Treger, a former student of David Oistrakh. Treger made his American debut in Southfield in 1974.

The Cranbrook Music Guild was organized in February of 1952. The

objectives of the group, which took a year to organize, are to encourage and sponsor programs of all types of music and related arts including the writing and performance of new music and development of high calibre performers through the Young Artists concerts and scholarships.

Cranbrook House, the setting for the 8:30 p.m. concerts, was the home of the late Mr. and Mrs. George G. Booth, founders of the various Cranbrook Institutions. The concerts are held in the home's library.

CURRENT OFFICERS of the organization are Mrs. David G. Booth, president; Mrs. William S. Brashear and Mrs. Charles C. Betzer, both vice-presidents; Fred J. Finkenauer Jr., treasurer; and Walter J. McCarthy Jr., secretary.

The 1974-75 program committee is Mrs. LeRoy W. Dahlberg, Mrs. Leonard T. Lewis, Mrs. Kenneth S. Person, Mrs. Sam B. Williams, Mrs. Minuro Yamasaki and Mrs. Gunnar Karlstrom, chairman.

Mrs. Glenn B. Carpenter is membership chairman. Ticket information may be obtained by calling 644-1600.

Down to earth

Purchase from reliable source

You will have four full months ahead to enjoy your garden. If you are adding new trees, perennials or are buying annuals I can't emphasize enough the importance of purchasing from a reputable source.

If you are buying tomato plants strive to secure Early Girl. This variety is the talk of horticulturists. It takes 45 days to picking, the interior is meaty, the fruit has a vine-ripe flower, it is the size of a baseball and it is firm for slicing. It will fruit 20-30 days earlier than most tomatoes.

There are some new introductions to be watching for when you



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buy: A new coral carefree geranium is richer in a mass than a pink flowering geranium.

The carefree bronze coleus is handsome with yellows in a color scheme. We like to use the cascade petunias. There is a new royal cascade petunia, which is a deep purple. Visualize it as a companion to any of the colors of the cascade variety where you want a petunia, which will lend itself to a container.

HERE ARE SOME hanging basket combinations of plants you might like to try: Red verbenas with white geraniums, sprengeri with

geraniums and white begonias with blue lobelia.

For other ideas for hanging baskets you might like to consider white and scarlet impatiens, caladiums with sprengeri and white petunias with blue lobelia.

If you wish just one kind of flower in your hanging basket, try cascade petunias, browellia, impatiens, caladiums, fuchsia, lobelia, geraniums, coleus, tuberous begonias, ferns, verbenas and portulaca. Hanging baskets are "in" for 1974, and you might as well become an adventurer.

There is a good guide for the person who is launching out on vegetable gardening: "Vegetable Gardening," Sunset Lane Books, Menlo Park, Calif., 72 pages.

This guide is different because it has so many new ideas for growing vegetables such as growing tomatoes on a rack, supported by concrete blocks, planting two rows a measured distance apart and then constructing a furrow for irrigation, then planting two more rows.

In this manner each row is near an irrigation channel. Make hills where you plant your vine crops, then make an irrigation furrow around the perimeter of the hills. IF YOU HAVE a brick patio set in sand, take up a square of eight" bricks and plant some low growing herbs or lettuce etc.

Parsley is at home in any flower bed, especially with bright colors behind it. You can grow vine crops against a fence and display them in an espaliered manner. Many more ideas are shared with the readers.

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