

# Selected works chosen for spring art exhibit

Farmington Artists Club is winding up the final details in preparation for its spring art exhibition. This week, juror Barbara Price selected 92 paintings from a total of 233 submitted entries. These will be on display during the exhibit, April 30-May 2 in Mercy Conference Center's formal lounge.

Show hours are from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free and refreshments are complimentary.

"The club was very pleased to have the talented and articulate Barbara Price as juror for this show," said Re-

nata Perlove. She is the dean of graduate art at Cranbrook Academy of Art as well as being a renowned practicing artist. Her work is included in many private and corporate collections and government agencies."

Price based her selections on capability, sensitivity and freshness, attention to detail, and a relation to overall structure.

"The chosen paintings demonstrated a certain amount of risk and innovation. She rejected art that was too caught up in technique or was too cliché," Perlove said.

"Overall, she hoped her selections would reflect the diversity and creativ-

ity of thought of members of the Farmington Artists Club. She felt the group demonstrated a high level of skill and talent making the competition tough," Perlove said.

The paintings will be on display during the three-day exhibit, along with artwork hung in the open gallery. The unframed section will offer about 2,000 pieces at prices beginning as low as \$1.

The art exhibit is made possible through a grant from the Michigan Council for the Arts and the Farmington Artists Commission.

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Sophomore Phillip Ross has been selected to perform with the 1982 All-State Honors Band after competition with 9,000 young musicians throughout the state.

## Alto soloist named 'outstanding' in music competition

Phillip Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ross of Farmington Hills, was selected one of the most outstanding young instrumental music students in Michigan.

The North Farmington High School student scored a 95 out of a possible 100 points in the State Solo and Ensemble Festival, and was one of 100 soloists out of the 9,000 participants nominated for the annual statewide Musical Talent Screening.

"This was a particular honor and makes Ross' selection particularly outstanding since he is a sophomore," said Douglas MacQueen, instrumental music director for the school.

The screening will select five student soloists to perform with the Interlochen Arts Academy Orchestra, under the direction of Byron Hanson, as part of Youth Arts Festival of Michigan Week.

The remaining 95 will be invited to perform with the 1982 All-State Honors Band.

This performance will begin at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 21 in Warriner Audi-

torium on the campus of Central Michigan University and will be broadcast live by WCMU radio.

In the competition, MacQueen said Ross "performed the very difficult Sonata for Alto Saxophone by Paul Creston."

Ross was accompanied in the competition by pianist Marie Waalk.

IN THE STATE Solo and Ensemble Festival, sponsored by Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association, 13 other music students walked away winners.

Following Ross in the first division ratings for soloists from North Farmington were flutists Anne Carey and Barbara Greenley, George Fekaris won a second division rating for a viola solo.

Soloists at the state level must receive a score of 85 to win a first division rating.

All four ensembles from North Farmington captured first division ratings in the festival.

Carey and Greenley won their second



Juror Barbara Price's job this week was choosing the best for the prestigious Juried Gallery in Farmington Art Club's spring exhibit. Area artists submitted 233 pieces for jurying, but only 92 will be seen by local show-goers.

## Finns host open house

Open house begins at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Finnish Cultural Center, 35200 Eight Mile Road, to celebrate the formal opening of the building's new addition. Brief ceremonies will be held on the grounds before the ribbon is cut to open the new lounge, where refreshments will be available.

Guests are invited to visit the lounge, the new kitchen, the import store and its annex, the restored and renovated library, new cloakroom, and new office areas that are entered through an enlarged entry hall.

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## FYA seeks committed volunteers

Farmington Youth Assistance (FYA) is a volunteer organization dedicated to the prevention of delinquency and the

promotion of family well-being. Persons interested are asked to call the FYA office, 476-3840.

## Duo gives ideas for new ways in table settings

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Table Settings, with instructors Jane Blanchard and Annette Neppach, will present a host of ideas.

The duo will demonstrate five table settings centered around a theme using tableware from The Table Setting of Birmingham, accessories from M.T. Hunter Country Store of Birmingham, and centerpieces from local florists.

Students will learn to coordinate a "tablescape" with an eye on lifestyles

of the home and imaginative use of accessories. A contemporary, traditional, country-look, Oriental and seafood theme plus special party themes such as a derby party or lilac party will be demonstrated.

Blanchard and Neppach have lectured to many garden clubs and organizations in the area. They have exhibited in flower shows and have won many awards for their tables.

Registration and fee of \$6 is payable in the center.

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