

# Professor leads his students to peaceful learning

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Staff writer

"We drag our feet in falling to create the world we want. We must begin to nurture the idea of creativity."

This is the view of Professor Leo Dworkin, head of arts and humanities studies at Oakland Community College's southeast region.

Dworkin, an artist and photographer of note, will show his work from May 2-16 in the lobby gallery of the Parks and

Recreation Building in the Southfield Civic Center.  
Pottery by Birte Walters also will be exhibited.

A 10-year resident of Southfield, Dworkin contends that creativity offers the hope for building a whole fabric of the quality of life we want.

"The artist performs a phenomenal service. With motivation, you can create new realities," said Dworkin. He believes all art is a system changing to another system upon alteration.

"When someone looks at my work and asks me: 'Is that an abstraction?'—I say no. It's there and it's real. My stuff may not be figurative, but it's real."

HE ALSO BELIEVES seeing creativity opens the minds of viewers and leads to new ideas.

Dworkin works at the Southfield Artist's Co-op in pencil, oils, acrylic, sculpture and collage.

"The medium I use depends on what

I want to express. Art expresses a human being's best idea of reality as they understand it.

"I'm basically an experimentalist. What the artist does is to create reality. I bring something into the world which is new and fresh. If it enhances your experience, then it can stand as a piece of art."

Dworkin was headed for a graduate studies in psychology when he became fascinated with creativity and the creative process.

"I tried composing, writing, printing and sculpture. One semester I was studying qualitative chemistry and the next, drawing and painting."

A native Detroit, he received a bachelor of arts degree from Wayne State University with a major in fine arts, a master of arts degree in art education from WSU, and a doctor of philosophy in curriculum and administration at Michigan State University.

Through art he met his wife, Alva, a child development consultant, in 1950. They have a grown daughter, a son, and two grandchildren.

DWORKIN HAS RECEIVED a John Hay Fellowship in the humanities, taught school in Detroit, Oak Park, and at Michigan State University. He came to OCC in 1969 as assistant to the president.

He was one of the first high school teachers in the country to teach photography and has won honors for his photographs.

Formerly the coordinator of the Consortium for Educational Thinking for the Wayne County Intermediate School District, Dworkin said his function was "to dream up new ideas, principally for the educationally deprived." He founded a group to research how people seek meaning and lectured all over the country.

"This was one of my most exciting experiences."

He has also been president of the Oakland Art Education Association.

As a teacher, he finds it difficult to decide whether finishing a work of his own or watching a student complete something fine is the bigger "high."

"I always begin the semester by telling my students that, here in my class, they are not my disciples, they must learn to be themselves."

A STUDENT OF his who illustrated a book of sonnets, wrote as a tribute to him: "There is no finer teacher than one who can take you by the hand and lead you to the peaceful place where you can understand."

Students call him "Doctor D" or "Doc" and he is, reputedly, one of the most popular art teachers at all four OCC campuses.

The present show, called "A Profile of Work by Leo Dworkin," contains work from different periods of his life. Only his photographs will be on sale, since the artist likes his work and enjoys having it around him.

In a home filled with his art, a head of a man, Dworkin's father has a prominent place.

"This was the first sculpture I ever did, and it's my father. So I keep it, even though it's the opposite of where I stand."

Dworkin's exhibition is free and open to the public from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sat.

## obituaries

### DELPHINE MAY PENROD

Mrs. Penrod, 64, of Farmington Hills died April 19 in St. Mary Hospital.

Born in North Dakota, Mrs. Penrod was a bookkeeper for the Farmington School System.

Survivors include her son, William Mobley, and a daughter, Sharon Allen. Services were April 23 in Heeneey-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, Mass was at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church with the Rev. Kean D. Cronin officiating. Burial was in Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Novi.

### MARK DOUGLAS AKINS

Mr. Akins 24, of Detroit, formerly of Farmington, died April 24 in Mt. Carmel Mercy Hospital.

Mr. Akins was a construction worker

and a member of Local 19 Pile Drivers Union. Survivors include his parents, Douglas and Audrey Akins; sister, Sandra DeHann, and a brother, Steve. Services were April 27 at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Dick Bieber officiating. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery, Farmington. Memorials may be sent to the Mark Akins Fund, P.O. Box 113, c/o Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington 48024.

### ELMER PATRICK BRENNER

Mr. Brenner, 70, of Farmington Hills died April 24 in Providence Hospital, Southfield.

Born in Wisconsin, Mr. Brenner was the owner of the restaurant in the Veterans Administration Building. He was a World War II Navy veteran and was

blinded in action when his ship blew up off the coast of two Jims. He was the commander of Michigan Blind Veterans, Redford Eagles, Redford Lions Club, D.A.V., Post 345 V.F.W. and the American Legion.

Survivors include his daughter, Dorothy Niemec; a brother, Robert and two grandchildren.

Services were April 28 at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, Mass was at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church with the Rev. Edward Belczak officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre, Southfield.

### ANN M. GLUNZ

Mrs. Glunz, 84, of Farmington Hills died April 25 in Oak Hill Nursing Home.

Mrs. Glunz was a retired cleaner and dyer.

Survivors include her daughters, Betty LeRoy and Nancy Neblett; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were April 28 in McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington with the Rev. Thomas J. Finnigan officiating. Burial was in Grand Lawn Cemetery, Detroit.

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Charter number 16660

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### Statement of Resources and Liabilities

	Thousands of dollars
Cash and due from depository institutions	19,200
U.S. Treasury securities	1,450
Obligations of other U.S. Government agencies and corporations	NONE
Obligations of States and political subdivisions in the United States	2,009
Other bonds, notes, and debentures	NONE
Federal Reserve stock and corporate stock	45
Trading account securities	NONE
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	NONE
Loans, Total (excluding unearned income)	31,452
Less: Allowance for possible loan losses	87
Loans, Net	31,365
Lease financing receivables	NONE
Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and other assets representing bank premises	735
Real estate owned other than bank premises	88
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	NONE
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	NONE
Intangible assets	NONE
Other assets	818
TOTAL ASSETS	55,710
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	6,762
Time and savings deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	30,390
Deposits of United States Government	37
Deposits of States and political subdivisions in the United States	11,844
Deposits of foreign governments and official institutions	NONE
Deposits of commercial banks	NONE
Certified and officers' checks	354
Total Deposits	49,387
Total demand deposits	7,226
Total time and savings deposits	42,161
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	1,800
Interest-bearing demand notes (note balances) issued to the U.S. Treasury	229
Other liabilities for borrowed money	1,000
Mortgage indebtedness and liability for capitalized leases	NONE
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding	NONE
Other liabilities	652
TOTAL LIABILITIES (excluding subordinated notes and debentures)	53,068
Subordinated notes and debentures	300
Preferred stock	NONE
Common stock	50,000
Surplus	500
Undivided profits	1,000
Reserve for contingencies and other capital reserves	736
TOTAL EQUITY CAPITAL	51,236
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CAPITAL	55,710
Amounts outstanding as of report date:	
Standby letters of credit	
Standby letters of credit, total	415
Amount of standby letters of credit conveyed to others through participations	NONE
Time certificates of deposit in denominations of \$100,000 or more	19,467
Other time deposits in amounts of \$100,000 or more	NONE
Average for 30 calendar days (or calendar month) ending with report date:	
Cash and due from depository institutions	16,605
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	581
Total loans	30,263
Time certificates of deposit in denominations of \$100,000 or more	18,768
Total deposits	47,808
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	400
Other liabilities for borrowed money	384
Total assets	52,115

We, the undersigned directors attest the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief is true and correct.

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