

Tour shows display with style



Birmingham will be on display in a special way Sunday as the Detroit Chapter of the American Institute of Architects presents its seventh annual house tour.

The tour features samples of the work of a few of the AIA members. The complexity and varying designs of the houses have stimulated controversy.

The tour will leave by motorcoach/shuttle from Seaholm High School at Cranbrook (Evergreen) and Lincoln (4 1/2 Mile). The houses will be open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Motorcoach/shuttle service will be provided until 2:30 p.m.

Tickets for the tour, \$15 per person, are available by mailing a check and a self-addressed, stamped envelope to AIA/Detroit Chapter, 553 E. Jefferson, Detroit 48226. Tickets also may be bought in person at these locations:

- Orthogonality, 205 N. Woodward, Birmingham
- Arkitektura Showrooms Inc., 800 N. Woodward, Birmingham
- Englander's/Roche Bobois, 501 E. Maple, Birmingham
- Expressions Custom Furniture Inc., 950 S. Woodward, Birmingham
- Luckenbach-Ziegelman & Partners Inc., 115 W. Brown, Birmingham

The Merrill Park Townhouses by Victor Sasaki & Associates of Birmingham.

The seventh annual tour of the Detroit Chapter of the American Institute of Architects will leave by motorcoach/shuttle from Seaholm High School this Sunday.

- Bright Ideas, 220 S. Main, Royal Oak
- Englander's Other Place, 818 N. Woodward, Royal Oak
- Gorman's, 29145 Telegraph, Southfield

• AIA/Detroit Chapter Headquarters, 553 E. Jefferson, Detroit. A limited supply of tickets will be available on the day of the tour. For more information, call 985-4104, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The houses on the tour are the Merrill Park Townhouses and Trepeck residence, both by Victor Sasaki & Associates of Birmingham; the Shackel and Williams residences, both by Bryce & Palazzola of West Bloomfield; the Raymond residence, by Larry Raymond of Bloomfield Township; and the Ventimiglia/Herman residence, by Jon L. Sarkanstein of Royal Oak.

Revenue from the house tour is used by the AIA/Detroit Chapter for scholarships and to support public awareness programs in the community.

Auditions announced

• Friends of Polish Art and Orchard Lake Schools are sponsoring the sixth annual Richard Kubinski art competition Oct. 6-27.

Artists of Polish descent are invited to submit original work in all media 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at the Galeria, Orchard Lake Schools, St. Mary's campus, 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake.

For information, call Marian Owczarski, 683-0345 or 683-0425.

• Michigan Classic Ballet will have auditions for male and female dancers for "The Nutcracker" at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 21, at Geiger Classic Ballet Academy, 5526 Drake Road at Walnut Lake, West Bloomfield.

Female dancers must be at least 10 years old with three years of classical ballet training, and male dancers must be at least 12 years old with two years of classical ballet training. The performance will be Dec. 7 and 8.

For information, call 661-2430.

• St. Columbian's Church choir has openings for singers who are able to commit three hours a week. Rehearsals are at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays. For information, call Helen W. Meulstrup, 585-4243.

The church is at 1775 Melton, Birmingham, a block north of 14 Mile and 1/4 mile east of Woodward.

• Auditions for Michigan Ballet Theatre's 25th anniversary season will be Saturday at Lawrence Technological University. For audition time, call 486-1514.

• Michigan Opera Theatre will have auditions for the violin, viola and bass sections of its orchestra Friday, Sept. 20, at the MOT offices, 6519 Second, Detroit in the New Center Area.

Applicants should contact Suzanne Acton, assistant music director, or Roger Bingham, orchestra administrator, 874-7850.

Creative Living editor changes

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Stunned by Abatt's retirement, Donald Morris of Morris Gallery in Birmingham summed up her career this way: "She always tried to get at the essence. Her perceptions were very astute."

"Wherever there has been art, she has been out there covering it," said Ferdinand Hampson of Habitat Galleries, Farmington Hills.

"She has a way of getting to the artists, to seek out their little whims, to make them laugh and put them at ease," said Tom Halsted of Halsted Gallery, Birmingham.

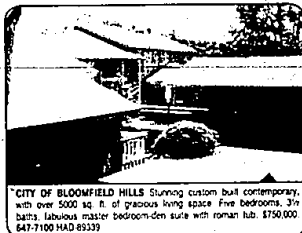
"She has been not only supportive of the local galleries, but the young talent, the community and the charitable events that have focused on the arts," said Albert Scaglione of Park West Gallery, Southfield.

Abatt was a charter member of the Southfield Arts Council. She helped organize the Cultural Council of Birmingham/Bloomfield and chairs its outdoor sculpture committee, working to showcase works by top area sculptors.

She's also treasurer of the Cranbrook Writers Guild.



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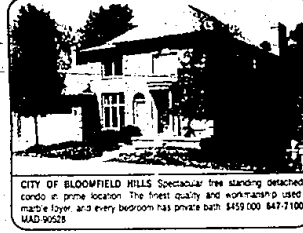
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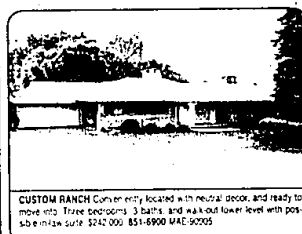
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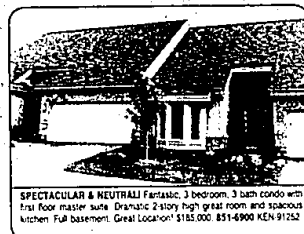
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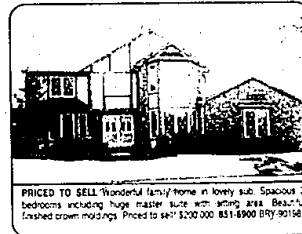
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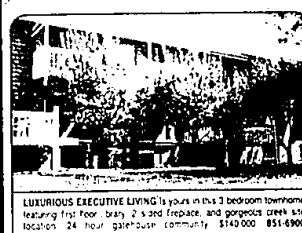
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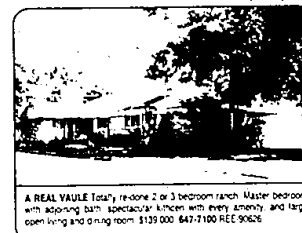
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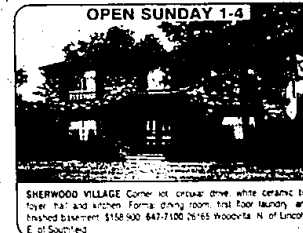
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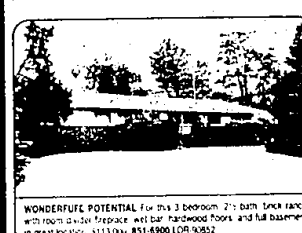
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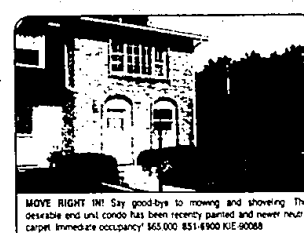
A REAL VALUE! Totally re-done 2 or 3 bedroom ranch. Master bedroom with adjoining bath. Spectacular kitchen with every amenity and large open living and dining room. \$139,000. 647-7100 REC-90526



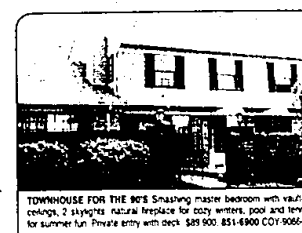
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SHERWOOD VILLAGE Corner lot, circular drive, white ceramic tile foyer, hall and kitchen. Formal dining room, first floor laundry, and finished basement. \$158,900. 647-7100 26-65 Woodville N. of Lincoln E. of Southfield



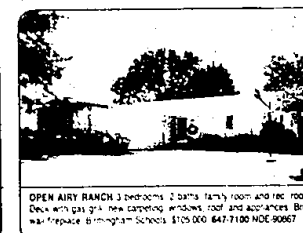
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