



Celebrating the holidays

Oakland County resident Jeanette Stovack examines her recent purchases of authentic Oriental, African and Asian artifacts dating from the first century to the 1800s, which will be available at the Botsford Inn Antiques Show this weekend. Show hours are noon to

8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 30, and noon to 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 1. The show is the longest running antique event in the state. This will be the 78th show at the historic Inn, at Grand River and Eight Mile in Farmington.

Artist sets show of slides, sound

The Women's Society of Franklin Church will present artist-photographer Richard Vernick at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5, at the church, 32473 Normandy in Franklin.

Tickets are \$5. Refreshments will be available during intermission.

Vernick's unusual creative talent is expressed through a presentation of slides arranged to reveal the visual imagery evoked by the sounds of music.

Vernick uses several pieces of projection equipment and sound to make the images on the screen constantly relate the subject matter with the musical background.

Vernick has presented his shows with the West Bloomfield and Grosse Pointe symphonies.

Open house slated for Orion Center

The Orion Art Center, 115 S. Anderson in Lake Orion, will have a Christmas Open House 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 11.

The center is now presenting its

Christmas Shoppe, featuring unusual, handmade Christmas items, to Dec. 21. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, to 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday. Call 693-4988.

Walk to start special art nights

In a coordinated effort to accommodate the busy work schedules of art connoisseurs and patrons, the galleries in downtown Birmingham, north of Maple on Woodward, have formed The North Woodward Galleries.

The new organization will plan simultaneous openings, lectures and a series of special events throughout the year on the first Thursday evening of each month. Hours will be extended on these occasions to 8:30

p.m.

The First Thursday kickoff event will be a festive holiday art walk, complete with white lights, strolling musicians, carolers, street vendors and horse and buggy transportation.

AS A special focus this holiday season, the Birmingham galleries will lend their support to their struggling compatriots, the area non-profits, who will be given the opportunity to display their culturally rich pro-

grams and inspirational gift wares.

Each gallery will host a booth for one of the following organizations: the Detroit Institute of Arts, Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Detroit Zoo, Cranbrook Museum, Pewabic Pottery, Michigan Opera Theatre, Detroit Children's Museum, Children's Opera Theatre, Detroit Focus Gallery, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, Archives of American Art, Music Hall, Preservation Wayne and Detroit Art Deco Society.

Nominees sought for patron awards

The Arts Foundation of Michigan has announced that nominations are now open for its 1992 Michigan Arts and Patrons Awards.

The awards are given annually to Michigan artists in recognition of outstanding achievement in varying fields. Patron awards are bestowed upon individuals for outstanding service in support of the arts.

The deadline for submitting nominations is Jan. 6. Winners will be recognized at a ceremony in Detroit in May. Artists will receive cash awards of \$5,000. This will be AFM's 17th annual awards.

MONDAY, DEC. 9, is the deadline for AFM's general grants and state-wide/regional competitions.

In its granting programs, the AFM seeks to elevate the quality of art in the state by encouraging, promoting and assisting the development and

needs of Michigan artists pursuing a professional career in the arts. The AFM's main emphasis is on financing new works by individual artists.

For nomination forms and/or grant applications, write the AFM, 2164 Penobscot Building, Detroit 48226, or call 964-2244 between 9

a.m. and 5 p.m.

The AFM is an independent financing organization, headquartered in Detroit, that fosters participation and investment of corporations, foundations and individuals to support the creative spirit and encourage excellence in the arts.

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