

Tours offered

An introductory, three-session course in art, ranging from French and German Impressionism, to modern and African art, will be offered during the winter semester at the Center for Creative Studies, in combination with related tours at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

The course, open to high school students and adults, will take place 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Jan. 27, and Feb. 10 and 24. Lunch at the DIA is scheduled. Tuition for each session is \$25.

Registration is now open. Call 872-3118, Ext. 471. Individuals as well as groups are encouraged to register early, as space is limited.

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MONTE NAGLER

loose prints that are totally disorganized?

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and prints as a disheartening task to be avoided.

Imagine how convenient it would be to have an organized filing system, to have your prints and negatives orderly, neat and available at a finger's touch. It's easier than you might think.

Cardboard boxes, throughout the years, will emit discernable amounts of gases and peroxides that will tarnish the silver in films and prints, causing fading and loss of picture detail.

The same is true for brown paper envelopes often used to hold prints and negatives. Glue in the seams of many envelopes can cause discoloration if they get too close to the emulsion of a picture.

Even rubber bands wrapped around a roll of negatives or stack of prints contain compounds that can cause damage.

Here is some advice on how to avoid these dangers and assure the safety of a photographer's most valuable possessions: his or her pictures.

Negatives: Care in preserving your prints must naturally begin with your negatives. This is easily done by storing them in transparent polyethylene holders, which in turn can be stored in vinyl binders. Larger negatives can be placed in polyethylene sleeves and housed in small steel cabinets.

Polyethylene will resist moisture and won't decay or grow mold with age. Furthermore, contact sheets can be made of the negatives without having to remove them from the holders.

Prints: Sunlight fades and bleaches some color prints. To avoid this, spend a few extra dollars and have a Cibachrome or Fuji "Super Gloss" print made from your favorite slides or negatives. They will last for many years without any fading and will give you prints of superior quality.

When mounting your prints, be sure to use acid-free rag board. Acids in regular mounting boards

will eventually cause discoloration to not just the board but to your print, too.

Slides: The biggest enemy to color slides is moisture. In an atmosphere of more than 60 percent humidity, fungus can form on your slides and damage them. Storage methods for slides should therefore provide for circulating air. Most slide trays and metal slide storage boxes are specifically manufactured to permit air circulation and thus reduce moisture.

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave a message by dialing 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then his mailbox number, 1873.



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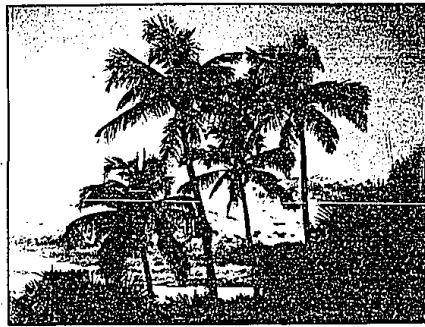


Monoprints in workshop

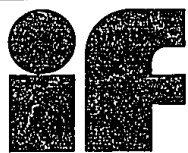
The Paint Creek Center for the Arts offers a two-session monoprint workshop for adults 6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Feb. 10 and 17.

Participants will explore free and fluid oil painting on plexiglas, transfer finished work to paper and experiment with color and texture.

The registration deadline is Wednesday, Feb. 3. For more information, call the PCCA at 651-4110.



Preserving memories: Careful and proper storage of his negatives assures Monte Nagler a quality photograph each time he prints this reminder of warm weather on these cold winter days. He took the shot in Naples, Fla.



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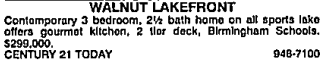
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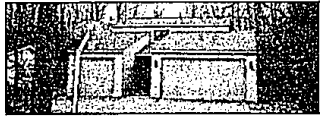
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