

EXHIBITIONS

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COUNTY GALLERIES

Wayne County Sept. 9 — Photographers David Van de Grift and Jon Clapp display 69 of their favorite works through Oct. 6. Opening reception 5-8 p.m. Thursday. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, in the Executive Office Building at the County Service Center, 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac. Call the Office of Cultural Affairs at 858-0145 for more information.

WOODS GALLERY

Thursday, Sept. 9 — "Memorable Encounters," photography by Santa Fabio, continues to Sept. 30. Reception to meet the artist 7-9 p.m. Thursday. Fabio, who gained recognition with her photos of the Fox Theatre renovation, exhibits many more pieces in which she captures the human spirit of everyday life. The gallery is on the lower level of the Huntington Woods Library, 26415 Scotland. Call 543-9720.

Art fair adds auction

As muggy days give way to falling leaves and cool breezes, Birmingham is set for the 16th annual Birmingham Art in the Park, Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 11-12, at Shain Park, south of Maple and east of Southfield Road between Bates and Henrietta.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. The event, sponsored by the Shirley Schaefer Foundation, benefits Common Ground, Oakland County's only 24-hour crisis intervention center.

The elite fair boasts more than 155 juried artists from across the nation. Media varying from wood-working to jewelry, ceramics to paintings, will be on display.

New at the fair this year is a silent auction, to which about 60 of the artists have donated select pieces of their work. These items, in a variety of media, will be on display for viewing and bidding until 4 p.m. Sunday. All money raised from the auction will be given to Common Ground on behalf of the artists.

For youngsters, Art in the Park will feature a Children's Art Area. Focusing on multicultural art, children's stories will be scheduled both days. Art activities related to the stories will be ongoing throughout both days.

Additional entertainment during the fair will be provided by such live musical groups as Trilog, an acoustic trio; the Keith

KERRYTOWN CONCERT HOUSE

Thursday, Sept. 9 — "Images on Paper," a one-person show by Birmingham artist Emma Eschauer Marner, continues to Oct. 6. Reception for the artist 5-8 p.m. Thursday. The artist's original works are in mixed media — pencil, watercolor, acrylic paints, pastels and graphite. Hours are 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday or by appointment, 416 N. Fourth, Ann Arbor, 769-2995.

THE WETSAN COLLECTION Friday, Sept. 10 — Large, figure-like forms by Norma Minkowitz, a sculptor working in a craft medium, will be exhibited through Oct. 23. Opening reception for the artist 5-8 p.m. Friday. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 132 N. Woodward, Birmingham, 645-6219.

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE GALLERY

Friday, Sept. 10 — "Canadian Rockies and the West," a photography exhibit by Dolores Kellam, runs to Sept. 26 at the Orchard Lake campus. Reception for the artist 5-8 p.m. Friday. A percentage of sales will be contributed to the college. Hours are by appointment Monday-Saturday, noon to 4:30 p.m. Sunday. Call 683-0345.

MATRIX GALLERY

Friday, Sept. 10 — "Spirit and Place: Landscape as Meditation," art as contemplative encounter by Jim Mott of New York, will continue through Oct. 24. Reception for the artist 5-8 p.m. Friday. Hours are 2-7 p.m. Friday, noon to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, 212 Miller, 1-1/2 blocks west of Main in Ann Arbor, 663-7775.

DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET

Friday, Sept. 10 — The annual fall all-media juried exhibition will continue to Oct. 8. Opening reception 5-8 p.m. Friday. "Psychological Gravity," a performance by Nelson Smith, will take place 8:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10 and 17, and Saturday, Sept. 18, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 12. Admission to the performance is \$10 per person; make reservations early as seating is limited. Volunteers sought for art playshops for Detroit Public School children. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, to 8 p.m. Friday, 300 River Place, Detroit, 393-1770.

MICHIGAN COUNCIL FOR ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS GALLERY

Friday, Sept. 10 — Works by Arts Midwest Fellowship recipients Gilda Snowden, Ed Fraga, Bruce Thayer, Carol Jacobson, Geary Jones, Harold Allen, Robert Gnielick, Lowell Boleat and Denise Lisiecki will be exhibited Sept. 13 to Nov. 5. Reception for the artists 4-6 p.m. Friday. The gallery is at 1200 Sixth in Detroit.

Plant sale Sunday

The Michigan Cactus and Succulent Society will have its annual plant sale 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 12, at City Gardens Florist, on Lincoln Avenue (10-1/2 Mile) between I-75 and John R in Madison Heights.

Exotic and bizarre plants, as well as some that are more tame and domesticated, will be available. Call 881-4791 for more information.

Mask sessions set

The Paint Creek Center for the Arts offers a two-day youth clay mask-making workshop 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11 and 12.

Construct a clay mask the first session and decorate it the next week. Selected workshop masks will be displayed in an October exhibition by PCCA students at the art center. For more information, call the PCCA at 651-4110.

Natural objects season collections



MARTY FIGLEY

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HABATAT/SHAW GALLERY

Saturday, Sept. 11 — Clay works by Karen Karnas and minimal sculpture by Adriana Baler will be exhibited through Oct. 2. Opening reception to meet the artist 8 p.m. Saturday. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. or by appointment, 32255 Northwestern Highway, between Middlebelt and Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills, 851-8767.

THE SYBARIAS GALLERY

Saturday, Sept. 11 — The inaugural exhibit in the gallery's new location will feature carved wood furniture and sculpture by Howard Werner and molten glass and precious metal jewelry by Julie Anne Mihalien to Oct. 9. Opening reception with the artists 6-9 p.m. Saturday. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 202 E. Third, Royal Oak, 544-3388.

ART IN THE PARK

Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 11-12 — The 19th annual fair will feature a silent auction, children's art and entertainment. The event benefits the 24-hour crisis intervention center Common Ground. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday in Shain Park, south of Maple and east of Southfield Road between Bates and Henrietta in Birmingham.

"Beyond Flowers: Collecting and Arranging Natural Objects," Gerd Verschoor, with Bo Niles (Stewart, Tabors & Chang, 855), is a beautiful book that must be read so you can understand the reasons behind the unusual arrange-

ments. The text flows easily. Along the way Verschoor shares many personal experiences, gathering the reader into his world. Verschoor is more than an artist. His poetic descriptions of nature in all seasons of the years will make the reader open his or her eyes to the beauty of all things — found, handmade or from nature.

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Tulip time

"Tulips," Peter Arnold (Macmillan, \$30), contains 70 bright and lovely photographs of this flower; a visual feast, as Arnold writes, "of forms, colors and textures of the flowers." The book will provide much enjoyment for those who appreciate such beauty.

The author tells the fascinating history of the tulip, first mentioned by a European in 1554 and still a favorite of many people. The pictorial index gives the cultivar name and page number of its "portrait." The classification of tulips (15 in all) includes bloom time and height.

"Creative Propagation: A Grower's Guide," Peter Thompson (Timber Press, \$19.95), gives detailed instruction on how to propagate all the various kinds of plants — annuals, hardy perennials, trees and shrubs, conifers, heathers, alpine and bulbs.

Information about how and why certain propagation methods work best help the reader understand the processes. The drawings are very clear, as is the text.

Vegetable variety

"Trellising: How to Grow

Special touch

In "Taylor's Guide to Specialty Nurseries," Barton (Houghton Mifflin, \$16.95), Barbara Barton shares her personal thoughts about each of these nurseries, which specialize only in ornamental garden plants.

She relates the history of the business and gives all pertinent information about it, particulars that will help in deciding which one best suits your needs. Some are small; others large. If they are included, they are good. The indexing makes it easy to find specific plants; the nurseries are listed under each state, which is helpful.

Houghton/Mifflin has just released "Beds and Borders," by Wendy B. Murphy, in soft cover (\$18.95). I reviewed this fine book in 1990 and still find the lavish photos, practical information and flower descriptions excellent.

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing 855-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1859. Her fax number is 644-1314.

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