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Writing seminar set at OU. "The Business of Writing: How to Win Over Agents, Editors and Audiences," a seminar for all serious writers, will be offered 8:15 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Saturday, June 4, at Oakland University in Rochester.

The seminar is co-sponsored by Detroit Women Writers and the OU Division of Continuing Education. Registration deadline is Thursday, May 26. Tuition is \$130. For a brochure and to register, call (810) 370-3120 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays.

Luncheon speaker will be Stuart Dybek, award-winning Kalamazoo author of fiction, non-fiction and poetry, who will talk on "You Don't Have to Be in New York to Succeed." He is professor of English at Western Michigan University. This year Dybek received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Academy of Arts and Letters.

Among the program presenters will be a New York literary agent who operates his own firm, leading Michigan playwright Kitty Dubin of Birmingham, Detroit Free Press Magazine editor Brian Dickerson of Southfield, local published freelancers including Susan Hall-Balduf and Mary Schoen, award-winning advertising writer Eli Greenbaum of Birmingham, and writers in literary fiction/poetry and drama/screenplays.

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Basketry from page 1D. Out of paper drinking straws, Karyl Sisson creates little houses and sea creatures with spines reaching out. Leah Danberg displays figures and parts of figures of wared linen covered with printing, including the phrases "Need to Take Charge" and "Bruised Ego." Claudia Stefanini's lifelike sculptures of paper and paint resemble parts of the body such as legs. Jane Sauer's objects carry comments on gun control, banks and the family. Kathleen Bordo Crombie fashions spruce bark, rattan and other materials into open, freestanding forms. This opening is also shown in paper pieces by Norie Hatakeyama and geometric shapes in grass by Noriko Takamiya. Priscilla Henderson shows a pot, cup and spoon in her "Woman as a Vessel" series of maple, rattan and acrylics. The pieces feature a figure of a woman in the

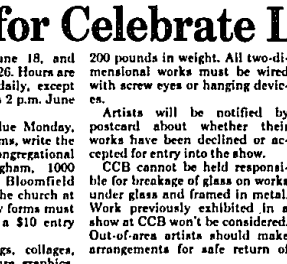
June 6 deadline for Celebrate Life show. Mary Ann Wilkinson, associate curator of 20th century art at the Detroit Institute of Arts, will serve as juror at the 14th "Celebrate Life," the Congregational Church of Birmingham's annual art show, the church's art show committee has announced. The show has invited prominent curators and gallery owners to judge the event, which annually attracts several hundred artists from southeast Michigan and the Midwest. Celebrate Life annually awards nearly \$1,000 in cash prizes to artists. This year, the Katharine Kell Best of Show Award, a \$300 prize, will be given along with an award of six \$100 merit awards. Kell, a longtime CCB member, helped found the show and was instrumental in its growth until her death in 1992. This year's show opens to the

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"eyes" no deeper than two to three inches to ensure that the plants will bloom. TIMELY GARDEN TIPS. Paint the nozzle end of your hose a bright color so it will be easy to find when it is coiled up or laying in the yard. Plant your favorite annual (petunias, maybe?) in a tube pan to circle the umbrellas on your patio table. Remove only the flower-heads of daffodils after they have faded. The stem and foliage work together to strengthen the bulb. Cut down after they have completely withered. It is best to wait until after

May 15 to plant annuals and perennials in the garden. The last frost date in this area is the middle of the month. To control gypsy moth larvae, secure a four-inch-wide band of tape to the tree trunk, then coat it with Tanglefoot. Replace the bands when they are covered with the larvae, then remove them altogether in August. In the vegetable garden, sow seeds of beans, corn, cucumbers and squash. Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1859. Her fax number is (810) 644-1314.



Carrying imagery: These baskets in knotted waxed linen by Jan Buckman feature a vibrant design. They are among the works at the basketry invitational at the Sybaris Gallery in Royal Oak.

design. Hideho Tanaka presents cocoon-like works of steel wire and paper. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Call (810) 644-3388.

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public Saturday, June 18, and closes Sunday, June 26. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, except when the show closes 2 p.m. June 26. Entry forms are due Monday, June 6. For entry forms, write the Art Committee, Congregational Church of Birmingham, 1000 Cranbrook Road, Bloomfield Hills 48013, or call the church at (810) 646-4511. Entry forms must be accompanied by a \$10 entry fee. Paintings, drawings, collages, hard and soft sculpture, graphics, photography, ceramics, glass, jewelry and fiber are eligible for entry. Each artist is limited to the entry of two works. Paintings and hangings mustn't exceed 6 feet in width or length and must be prepared for hanging. Sculptures mustn't exceed 5 feet by 5 feet by 6 feet and



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County public art to be topic. The Oakland County Cultural Council will present "Bronze Ladies, Corporate Giants, Saints and Sinners: Public Art in Oakland County" as the next installment of the Brown Bag Lecture Series, on Thursday, May 19, in the Oakland County Computer Services Auditorium. The hourlong lecture is free and open to the public. For information, call the Office of Cultural Affairs at (810) 858-0415. Charlotte Stokes, an associate dean and professor of art history at the University of Michigan-Flint, will demonstrate how public art is incorporated into the life of Oakland County. The point of the lecture will be to show that public art isn't just for decoration — it is historical and has the ability to define our campuses and corporations. Stokes published a monograph on the same subject during her work with Oakland University. She has a doctorate in modern art from the University of Washington.

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