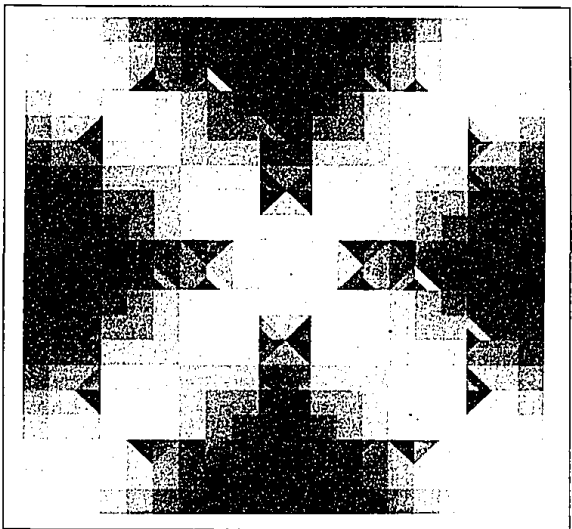


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ART FAIR

FINNISH ART
10 a.m. Saturday, March 28, an art fair showcasing local artists, presented by the Finnish Cultural Center Association. Proceeds go to the Finnish Cultural Center, 35200 W. Eight Mile Road, Farmington Hills; (248) 546-6527.

AUCTION

DETROIT ORATORIO SOCIETY
6 p.m. Thursday, March 26, a live auction at the Michigan Design Center, featuring Dick Wallace, WYUR radio personality. Music provided by Mark and Patricia Kaczmarek. Tickets: \$50, 1700 Stutz, just east of Coolidge and north off Maple Road, Troy; (248) 649-4772, (248) 650-2655.

AUCTIONS, COMPETITIONS & SCHOLARSHIPS

BIRMINGHAM MUSICAL

The following scholarships and awards are being offered - JEAN HONNAYER STRING SCHOLARSHIP, 1:30 p.m. Sunday, March 22; applicants must be Oakland County residents, perform on violin, viola, cello or string bass, and either in 11th or 12th grade; requirements: one selection from Baroque/classical period or romantic/modern period; award: \$400. CHARLOTTE RUPPEL MEMORIAL VOICE SCHOLARSHIP, 10 a.m. Saturday, March 28, applicants must be 20-25 years old; requirements: one selection from aria, foreign language art song, and 20th century art song. Performance must not exceed ten minutes, one copy of each selection must be provided; award: \$600; deadline: postmarked no later than March 21, 1998. ELIZABETH GARDNER VOCAL AWARD, 1:30 p.m. Sunday, April 5; applicants must be 18-22 years old; requirements: one selection from aria, old Italian, foreign language art song, 20th-century art song, all selections must be memorized; fee: \$6; deadline: postmarked no later than March 28, 1998. Applicants must be Michigan residents. Previous winners of award are not eligible. Applicants must provide accompanists. Auditions held at First Baptist Church, Willis Street, Birmingham.

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"STARRY, STARRY NIGHT"
An Oscar Awards party with an Italian cuisine, champagne commentary by Q95.5's morning show host Kevin O'Neill, 8 p.m. Monday, March 23, Star's Night Entertainment Center, 25333 W. 12 Mile Road, Southfield. \$30, 50 per couple, benefits the Detroit Area Film and Television's scholarship fund. (248) 547-0847.

FAR CONSERVATORY
Far Conservatory of Therapeutic and Performing Arts presents two events featuring the skating skills of children and adults with disabilities. 1 p.m. Sunday, March 29, "A Salute to Broadway," an ice show. Both events held at the Birmingham Ice Arena. Donations accepted. (248) 646-3347.

OAKLAND SINGERS
3 p.m. Sunday, March 22, Oakland Singers, including a chorus of 78 members. Rochester Church of Christ, 250 W. Avon, Rochester Hills. Admission free, donations accepted. (248) 651-5351.

RACKHAM SYMPHONY CHORUS
3 p.m. Sunday, March 22, "Prisms and Songs," featured guests the Detroit Chamber Winds, harpist Patricia Terry Ross in program of Bernstein's "Chichester Psalms," Rheinberg's "Psalms 83," and Gabriel's "Jubilato Deo." A special Michigan premiere of Jonathan Willocks' "Sing Praises will be performed." Holy Name, 630 Harmon, Birmingham; (313) 341-3460.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS
ANN ARBOR ART CENTER
Spring classes begin week of April 20, including watercolor, collage, weaving, bead stringing, photography and stained glass. 117 W. Liberty, downtown Ann Arbor; (313) 994-8004, ext. 113.

THE ART STUDIO
Adult art classes in oils, pastels and drawing. Children's after-school classes in drawing, painting and crafts. 4417 S. Commerce Road, Commerce Township; (248) 360-5772.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER OF PONTIAC
Spring classes, including drawing, sculpture and painting. Children's classes include drawing and cartooning, painting, mask-making, arts and crafts and prewriting. Teen and adult classes include beaded jewelry, ceramics, photography, Chinese brush painting and blues guitar. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE
Saturdays through May 2 for 5 to 7 year olds, and 8 to 12 year olds. Fee: \$40. Classes at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Peace Center and Gallery, 33 E. Adams Avenue, Detroit; (313) 965-3544.

DROPPIN' FIDLE DRAWING CLUB
Meets 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. the second and fourth Saturdays each month, except on holiday weekends. Use medium of your choice. \$5 fee. Oakland Community College, Orchard Ridge Campus, 27055 Orchard Ridge Road, Farmington Hills; (248) 601-5281.

LONGACRE HOUSE - ART CLASSES
Range of art classes, including watercolor, oil, drawing and collecting pottery. The Longacre House of Farmington Hills, 24705 Farmington Road, between 10 Mile and 11 Mile roads. To register, (248) 477-8404.

MSU MUSIC SCHOOL FOR YOUTH
"First Music" classes for children birth to age 5. Children and parents move to music, learn songs and chants, play percussion instruments. Classes meet Friday mornings March 20-May 22. Cost: \$100. Antioch Lutheran Church, Farmington Hills; (800) 548-6157, (517) 355-7601.

MUSICAL THEATER WORKSHOPS
Tinctor Productions offers acting and musical theater workshops for beginners to advanced students, grades 1-12. Classes run through April 19. Clareville High School. Brochures available at Livonia Civic Center Library, Redford library or call (313) 535-8662.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS
Register for spring classes, April 20-June 13. Children's classes. Adult courses include basketry, ceramic bead-making, clay, collage, drawing, matting, painting, photography, sculpture, tapestry and watercolor. 407 Pine Street, downtown Rochester; (248) 651-4110.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL
Craft Workshops - 8-12 year olds, 10 a.m.-noon, Saturdays, March 28 & April 4, fee: \$40; adult classes, 12:30-2:30 p.m., Saturdays, March 28 & April 4, fee: \$50. 774 W. Sheldon, Plymouth; (734) 416-4278.

SOUTHLAND CENTER FOR THE ARTS
Registration for Summer Day Camps begins March 23, non-residents can register beginning May 8. Also available: specialty day camps in art, theatre, soccer and dance. 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield; (248) 354-9603.

VILLAGE PLAYERS WORKSHOPS FOR KIDS
Spring and summer workshops using theater games, improvisation and covering a playful introduction to children's musical theater, including singing, dancing, acting and performing. Directed by composer/teacher David Mayer in association with The Village Players. Workshops begin early March and June 29, respectively. For specific dates and times 644-2075.

CLASSICAL
LYRIC CHAMBER ENSEMBLE
11:15 a.m. Sunday, March 22, "Viva España," featuring the Cultiva Players, an ensemble of vocalists and instrumentalists. Orchestra musical perform music with a Spanish flavor. Detroit Institute of Arts Recital Hall, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. Tickets: \$18, adults: \$15, students/seniors; (248) 357-1111.

MUSIC VIVA INTERNATIONAL CONCERTS
7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 22, "Tango," featuring Canadian guitar virtuoso Philip Candellana and internationally acclaimed multi-Gerova Ortega in a concert by Latin American composers including Astor Piazzolla. Tickets: \$15, advance: \$18, at door. Birmingham Unitarian Church, Woodward at Lone Pine, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 851-6987.

GRAND RECITAL
In recital 4 p.m. Sunday, March 22, Jean Johnson Barnett, 4 p.m. Sunday, March 29, David Barrett, Christ Church Cathedral, Lone Pine and Cranbrook roads, one mile west of Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 644-5210.

NATIONAL NATIONAL ORCHESTRA
With violinist Gil Shusterman, 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 24, Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. \$16-\$45.

PRO MUSICA
8 p.m. Wednesday, March 25, Detroit debut of pianist Frederick Chiu, winner of a Avery Fisher Career Grant. Chiu will perform works by Prokofiev, Debussy, Schumann and Chopin. Tickets: \$25. Kierkegaard Court, Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit; (313) 866-7207.

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
With conductor Robert Bernhardt, soprano Nancy Davis Booth and tenor Douglas Ahlstedt, as part of "Opera Pops" featuring selections from Mozart's "The Magic Flute," Verdi's "Un di se ben commiato" and Puccini's "Nessun dorma." 8 p.m. Thursday, March 26, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 27-28, at the Bonstelle Theatre, on campus, Detroit. \$8 students/advance sales. \$10 at the door. (313) 577-4273.

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Tuesday-Sunday, March 31-April 5, Detroit Opera House, 1520 Broadway, Detroit. (313) 874-7850.

MICHAEL FLATLEY'S LORD OF THE DANCE
8 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, March 31-April 3, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, April 4, and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sunday, April 5, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10-\$50. All ages. (313) 983-6611.

STREET PORCATION
8 p.m. Friday, March 31, April 3, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$15-\$35. (800) 221-1229 or http://www.ams.org.

DANCE ENSEMBLE WEST
Dance Collection 1998 with performances by the company's senior and junior divisions. 3 p.m. Saturday, April 4, at the Plymouth Canton High School Little Theatre, 8415 N. Canton Center Road (at Joy Road), Canton. \$9. (734) 420-4430.

FAMILY MUSIC
MUSICAL VARIETY
7 p.m. Friday, April 3, "Family Fortissimo," a program from classical to foot-tapping music. Special guests include the Musical Mule Family, versatile vocalists, Nitty Kittertimes, Nostalgic Nucleus, Kinetic Kendaals. Donation: \$3. Longacre House, 24705 Farmington Road; (248) 349-0490.

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IBBA'S CAPTIVE AUDIENCE SERIES
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BIRMINGHAM TEMPLE 28611 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills; (248) 851-4307.
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1998 Scholarship winners will be featured in recital 1 p.m. Thursday, April 9. Program will present scholarship recipients Jean Kang, Soyoung Chang, Meg Murphy, Caitlin Lynch, Yoko Minawa. Open to public. Donation: \$2. The Community House of Birmingham, 360 S. Bates Street; (248) 475-5978.

COMMUNITY BANDS

FARMINGTON COMMUNITY BAND
Spring Symphony concert originally scheduled for March 22 will be held 3 p.m. Sunday, March 29, at Harrison High School, 20955 W. 12 Mile Road (between Middlebelt and Orchard Lake roads), Farmington Hills. \$3, \$2 students and available at the door, senior citizens free. (734) 251-2202/(248) 489-3412 or http://www.mystery.com/tcb

DANCE

A '90S HAPPENING
Oakland University Department of Music, Theatre and Dance presents, A Happening Thing, a look at dance in the 1990s. 3 p.m. Sunday, March 22. Tickets: \$10, general seating; \$8, senior citizens; \$5, students; (248) 370-3013. Studio Theatre, Varner Hall, Oakland University, Rochester Hills.

ROCKY ROAD ADVANCED CONTRA-ENGLISH DANCE
7:45 p.m. Tuesday, March 24, Chapel Hill Condominium Clubhouse, 3350 Green Road (north of Plymouth Road), Ann Arbor. \$5. (734) 662-5152.

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY DANCE COMPANY
Presents "Rebounding," the annual spring concert of dance, featuring choreography by Garth Fagan, Eva Fower and Linda Cleveland Simmens. Fagan choreographed the Broadway musical "The Lion King." 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 27-28, at the Bonstelle Theatre, on campus, Detroit. \$8 students/advance sales. \$10 at the door. (313) 577-4273.

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NIGHT PHOTOGRAPHY
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OPERA
DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
With Conductor Robert Bernhardt, soprano Nancy Davis Booth, mezzo soprano Hillary Nicholson, tenor Douglas Ahlstedt and baritone Nicholas Loren, performing a variety of songs from operas including "La Boheme," "The Barber of Seville," and "Rigoletto." 8 p.m. Thursday, March 26, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 27-28, and 3 p.m. Sunday, March 29, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$17-\$60. (313) 576-5111 or http://www.detroitphilharmonic.org

POPS/SWING
BBB'S POPS CONCERT
7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 22, "Pops Concert 'E'." Featuring light operas, dances and intermezzi from the world of

opera. Conducted by Charles Greenwell. Temple Beth El, 14 Mile Road at Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 645-2676.

MAXWELL STREET KLEZMER BAND
5:30 p.m. Sunday, March 22, Adat Shalom Synagogue, 29901 Middlebelt Road, Farmington Hills. \$8, free for children younger than 5. (variety) (248) 851-5100.

"BROADWAY THROUGH THE YEARS"
With organ player Ron Rhode, 8 p.m. Saturday, March 28, Historic Redford Theatre, 17350 Lehigh Road (at Grand River Avenue), Redford. \$8. (313) 531-4407.

READING

THE WRITER'S VOICE
12:30-1:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 25, UMI Poesis-Residence Richard Tillinghast, novelist Larry Smith and WSU poet Anca Vlasopoulos; 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 1, LA poet Stellastue Lee, and local writers Kim Webb, Michael Madias and Ellen Hilderth, Woodward, Room 3234, Wayne State University campus, Detroit; (313) 577-2450.

BALDWIN LIBRARY
7:30-9:30 a.m. Wednesday, "Let's Talk About It," a reading and discussion program. Also, 7 p.m. Thursday, March 26, children are invited to bring dinner and listen to storyteller Jack Hecker. 300 W. Merrill, Birmingham; (248) 647-1700.

TOURS

AFRICAN ART
2 p.m. Sunday, March 22, gallery tour of African Art at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Speaker: Michael Kan, DIA curator of African, Oceanic and Near World Cultures, DIA Lecture Hall, 5300 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-3700.

PHOTO/PRINT
Schedule tours 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on March 28 and April 25. The "Photo/Print" on March 7, features a visit to Stewart & Stewart Workshop of Fine Prints, a tour of the Halsted Gallery and a visit to the studio of Balharhar Karda. The "Royal Visits to studio of artist Richard Korfow, the Sybans Gallery and Revolution gallery. Fee: \$20. Call for reservations. (313) 593-5058.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENINGS)

ALFRED BERKOWITZ GALLERY
March 24 - "A Celebration of Paperweights," in recognition of Michigan Glass Month, featuring internationally known glass artists, including Stankand and 493 paperweights. U of M - Dearborn, 4901 Evergreen Road, 307M; (734) 593-5087.

WYLAND GALLERIES
April 2 - Lighthouse photographer Thomas J. Atkins. Through April 30, 280 Merrill Street, Birmingham; (248) 723-9220.

CRAIG GALLERY
April 3 - Grand Opening, featured artist: Lyle Morris. 810 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale; (248) 715-66.

DECATOUR ADDITIONS
STUDIO/GALLERY
April 3 - 6:30 p.m., "The Photography of Frank Andrew," 725 S. Adams Road, Birmingham. For information, (248) 540-2465.

BBAA
April 4 - 6 p.m., "Michigan Metalsmithing: 50th Year Anniversary," a juried exhibit. Through April 25, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, 1516 S. Croftbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY
April 4 - 7 p.m., "New Works/Out," a juried exhibit. Through April 25, 616 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 334-6716.

MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART
April 4 - 7 p.m., "Documents USA," an exhibit based on an open invitation of artists to show their works in any medium. No work will be refused. Actual showing schedule from 8:40 a.m. 23rd & Lawrence Street, Pontiac; (248) 334-3911.

THE END OF ART

Through March 22 - An exhibit that mourns the death of painting. Museum of Contemporary Art, 23 W. Lawrence, Pontiac; (248) 334-3911.

LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION
Through March 27 - An exhibit by Clarenceville Public Schools students. Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road; (313) 421-7238.

SOUTHLAND CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Through March 27 - Works of members from the South Oakland Art Association. Hours: 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, 24350 Southfield Road, just south of 10 Mile Road; (248) 354-9022.

DETROIT GALLERY OF CONTEMPORARY CRAFTS
Through March 28 - "In the Spirit: Masks, Figures and Vessels." 104 Fisher Blvd., Detroit; (313) 873-7868.