

ART BEAT

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FINAL DAYS

Time is running out to see an exhibit by Livonia artist Arthur Parquette. His one-man show of paintings continues Tuesday, Feb. 29 in the Fine Arts Gallery at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile east of Farmington Road.

The 44 paintings concentrate on still life and East Coast scenes. Not to be missed are "Gloucester I" and Gloucester II" which capture the atmosphere of a fishing port.

briefly at the Society of Arts and Crafts (now Center for Creative Studies) with Sarkis Sarkisinn and Guy Palazzola.

CALL FOR ACTORS

The Plymouth Theatre Guild is holding auditions for "Squabblers," a comedy by Marshall Karp, 7:30 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, March 13-14, at the Water Tower Theatre on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile between Haggerty and Northville roads.

Performances will take place May 5-6, 12-14 and 19-20. For more information, call director Kirk Haas at (248) 670-2708 (pager - enter your number plus 655) or the Guild at (248) 349-7110.

The program features a critique by Livonia artist Elbert Weber. A ribbon is awarded at each meeting to the most popular painting as determined by a vote of those present. You need not be a member to win. For information, call Annalee Davis (734) 427-6524.

"BUSINESS OF ART"

Detroit Chapter No. 104 of the Colored Pencil Society of America, in conjunction with Art Calendar Magazine (a national magazine devoted to the business of art), is sponsoring a workshop with Barbara Dougherty 7-9 p.m. Friday, March 10, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 11, at Thompson Middle School, 16300 Lincoln, Southfield.

The cost is \$70 for both days, or \$10 Friday, \$60 Saturday. Call (248) 626-0650 or (734) 691-3094.

Dougherty, Art Calendar Magazine editor, will focus on boundaries of copyright infringement, looking at art from a buyer's perspective, and the value of the Internet for artists. On Saturday, Dougherty will also critique slides, resumes, and art for their marketability.

PALETTE GUILD SHOW

Members of the Palette Guild Art Club exhibit watercolor, oil, acrylic, and mixed media works March 2-3 in the lobby of Livonia City Hall, Farmington and Five Mile roads.

Juror for the exhibit is James Riopelle.

BATTLE OF THE BANDS

The Michigan Jazz Festival committee presents a Battle of the Bands 3 p.m. Sunday, March 19, at the Clarenceville High School auditorium, 20155 Middlebelt, between Seven and Eight Mile roads, Livonia.

Tickets are \$15, and are available by calling (248) 474-2720 or (734) 459-2454. Proceeds go to the Michigan Jazz Festival (Sunday, July 16, at Schoolcraft College), and the Clarenceville Schools Alumni & Friends Association.

As part of the festival's mission, the concert will demonstrate the versatility of jazz by showcasing the bands of Larry Nozera, Matt Michaels with Johnny Trudell, and Tom Saunders' Detroit All Stars. Each will

play their favorite style, then the same tune, improvising a different treatment yet carrying the same melodic line. All three bands will come together at the end of the concert and play a tune together.

ART EXHIBIT

Redford Catholic Central High School art teacher Michelle Wentworth and her students

exhibit their works through Wednesday, March 15, at the Rivers Edge Gallery in Wyandotte.

Students include Kevin Azanger, David Hellen, Nick Zubok, Mandir Shwendi, Mike Caggill, Kevin McKee, Ryan Masel, Eric Kn-prowicz, Anthony Osborne and Glen Smith.

For more information, call the gallery at (734) 246-9880.

"ART IN THE VILLAGE"

The Livonia Arts Commission is looking for artists to exhibit their work at the fourth annual "Art in the Village" June 10-11 at Greenmead Historical Village in Livonia.

Deadline for application is April 15. \$2,500 in prizes will be awarded. For applications, call Debbie Dufour at (734) 466-2540.

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East coast splendor: "Gloucester II" is one of the paintings in an exhibit by Arthur Parquette.

Born in Chicago and now living in Livonia, Parquette has been a member of the Senrab Club in Detroit for more than 30 years. He's had "very little formal training" but did study

ART CLUB MEETING

Three Cities Art Club holds a meeting 7 p.m. Monday, March 6, in the Plymouth Township clerk's office, Ann Arbor Road and Lilley.

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