

# Four judges will hear Musicale contestants Saturday



Jacqueline Schmitt



Howard Kagan



John Miller



Dorothy Duensing

Four judges have been announced for the annual Farmington Musicale scholarship competition Saturday, March 18, at Nardin Park United Methodist Church.

Pianists will perform for Jacqueline Corgai Schmitt, who is the president of Tuesday Musicale of Detroit. She is a native of Dearborn and received her master of music degree from Indiana University. Schmitt continues to perform on the concert stage.

John T. Miller will judge the string participants. He is a graduate of the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N.Y., and a member of the Macomb and Warren Symphony orchestras. Miller is also president of the Grosse Pointe Chamber Society and a private teacher.

Vocalists will sing for Dorothy Duensing, who earned a mas-

ter's degree in music from the University of Michigan and also has extensive operatic training. She is a professor of voice-adjunct at Wayne State University.

Howard F. Kagan will hear the wind, brass and percussion students. He earned a master's degree in music performance from Eastern Michigan University and has been teaching private brass instruction for more than 20 years. He teaches at the Livonia Music Conservatory.

All Farmington area schools will be represented in this competition. Cash awards will be presented to the winning students at a special recital on Sunday, April 2.

The Strey McCallum Piano award will also be presented at this time for the outstanding piano performance winner.

## Arts commission seeks nominees for two awards



As the March 21 deadline draws near, the Farmington Area Arts Commission is still eagerly seeking nominees for the "Artist-In-Residence" and "Distinguished Service to the Arts" awards for 2000.

Each year since 1976, the Farmington Area Arts

Commission has recognized the achievements of individuals and groups by naming honorees from candidates in art, drama, dance, literature and music. This year will be the 25th year of recognizing excellence in the arts in Farmington and Farmington Hills.

The Artist-in-Residence award recognizes the talent and accomplishments of an individual who resides in Farmington or Farmington Hills. The Distinguished Service Award honors outstanding service to the community in the creative arts (by groups or individuals). Award recipients receive a cash award, plaque and reception in their honor.

Nominations should be accompanied by a complete package of samples, publicity clippings, resume and other information to ensure the candidate receives a strong nomination. Previously nominated candidates are encouraged to re-apply.

Deadline for nominations is Monday, March 21. Selections will be made by March 28, 2000.

For more information on the nomination process or to receive an application, please contact Ginny Lundquist, Chairman of the Artist-in-Residence Committee at (248) 692-6562 or via e-mail at ec1447@aol.com.

## Art competition is for high school students

High school students who reside in Farmington Hills or Farmington, or who are enrolled in the Farmington Public School District, are invited to submit works of art for consideration in the 15th Annual Farmington Area Arts Commission Competition.

Prizes ranging from \$60-\$250 will be awarded in the categories of two-dimensional work and three-dimensional work. Awards will be presented on Sunday, April 30, beginning at 2 p.m. at the Costick Activities Center, as part of the annual Festival of the Arts. Winning pieces will

be exhibited at the Festival of the Arts and the Farmington Community Library's downtown branch.

To enter, students must deliver no more than three pieces of work to the Costick Activities Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile Road, between 5-7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 22. Art pieces must be original in concept and production, the work of an individual artist and accompanied by a statement of the artist's design source, as well as a label with the artist's name, address, phone number, school and art teacher's name.

## 3rd annual Starry Night gala set for Costick Center

The third annual Festival of the Arts "Starry Night" Gala with silent and live auctions presented by The Farmington Community Arts Council is slated for Saturday, April 29 at the William Costick Activities Center in Farmington Hills.

The event will be staged from 6:30-11 p.m. Cost is \$20 per person, or \$35 per couple and

includes a gourmet dinner buffet. Guest artists will be The Matt Michaels Trio.

The Farmington Community Arts Council mission is to present a unified voice to explore needs, foster communication and promote activities of art and culture.

For information, call 478-3256. Black tie optional.

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