

Isabelle de Borchgrave to visit Marshall Field's

Admirers of French countryside-inspired art can meet prominent artist Isabelle de Borchgrave at Marshall Field's March 26 and 27.

She'll sign her new collection of dinnerware serving pieces and other decorative accessories, such as her hand-painted signature vases and hatboxes.

de Borchgrave will make one-hour appearances beginning at noon at Marshall Field's Marketplace Department in the Somerset Collection in Troy on Tuesday, March 26, and at Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi, again at Marshall Field's Marketplace Department, on Wednesday, March 27.

The European artist specializes in graphic and clothing design and has painted commissioned murals for fine hotels and private homes throughout western Europe.



Hand-painted: The works of European artist Isabelle de Borchgrave can be found on housewares like the four-plate pastel set of First Bloom and on saucers, latte bowls and jumbo cups in the series Ceramic Rose. de Borchgrave will visit two Marshall Field stores for a limited signing of her work.

Mode: Illusions of Fashion — a collection of more than 30 life-size costumes reproduced entirely in paper.

— By Lana Mini

Order trees in Global ReLeaf sale

Global ReLeaf of Michigan has scheduled its 12th annual tree sale for Saturday, April 20.

Orders must be prepaid by Tuesday, April 2. Quantities are limited. The price is \$25 each, or \$20 each for six or more.

To request an order form, call (800) 642-7353 or e-mail GlobalReLeafMI@aol.com. Order forms can be printed off the Global ReLeaf Web site at www.globalreleaf.org.

The trees have been especially selected for their hardiness and ability to prosper in both urban and rural areas. They were chosen from growers in the same planting zone as Michigan, making the trees highly adaptable to this region. All of the trees are bare-root and 3 to 6 feet in height, depending on the species.

The trees offered are sugar maple, red maple, European

mountain ash, American linden, white spire birch, redbud, Japanese tree lilac, aristocrat pear, serviceberry and golden-rain tree. White and red flowering crabapple trees will also be available. Pickup locations include the city of Livonia Department of Public Works Yard, Mike's Tree Surgeons Inc. in Troy, and Springfield Oaks Park in Davisburg. Maps of the locations will be included with the order confirmation letter.

Funds raised through the sale support community tree plantings throughout Michigan.

Global ReLeaf of Michigan Inc. is a volunteer, non-profit corporation dedicated to educating the public on the value of trees and the need to properly select, plant and maintain them.

Global ReLeaf of Michigan is based in Ann Arbor.

GARDEN CALENDAR

MEADOW BROOK HALL GARDEN CLUB

Oakland University's Meadow Brook Hall Garden Club will meet at 10 a.m. March 22, at Meadow Brook Hall on the campus of Oakland University.

Rochester. Kim Zelinski, facilities operations manager at the historic hall, will lecture and show slides on the gardens. \$5 non-member donation. (248) 370-3140. The club is celebrating its 10th year. The main focus of the club is preserving, maintaining, and enhancing the gardens at the hall. Special garden work days are held once a month, April through October. Meetings with guests speakers are at 10 a.m. on the fourth Friday of each month in Meadow Brook Hall. Call (248) 652-4676.

METRO DETROIT HOSTA SOCIETY

At the 7 p.m. March 25 meeting Jan Everson will present a slide presentation of the 2001 American Hosta Society Convention, which was held in Raleigh, N.C. Metro Detroit Hosta Society meetings are held at the Birmingham Congregational Church, Woodward and Cranbrook Road, Bloomfield Hills. Visitors \$3. For more information, contact Monica at (248) 474-7484, or Jan at (248) 642-1619.

ORCHID SOCIETY

The Michigan Orchid Society's 50th anniversary show, "The Palm Sunday Orchid Show," is Saturday and Sunday, March 23 and 24, at Laurel Park Plaza Mall, on the north side of West Six Mile, between I-275 and Newburgh Road. Contact Kevin Griffin at (734) 463-1261.

SOCRRA

The Southeastern Oakland County Resource Recovery Authority presents Native Shrubs for Backyard Biodiversity, a slide presentation by landscape designer Rick Lazzell, from 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 27, at the Royal Oak Public Library, 222 East Eleven Mile Road, Royal Oak. It emphasizes tips for planning attractive native shrubs in the home landscape. Free. Call (248) 288-6150 to register.

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MICHIGAN FORESTRY AND PARK ASSOCIATION

The Michigan Forestry and Park Association chapter of the International Society of Arboriculture will hold a Spring Training Workshop on Chainsaw Safety from 9 a.m. to noon March 25 at the City of Livonia DPW. The program will address the use and maintenance of Shindaiwa chainsaws. Cost is \$20 MFPA member; \$35 non-member. Contact MFPA in Lansing, (617) 482-5530; ashby.anna@ed.net (e-mail)

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