## Artistic Beauty at Westland Center

Come to Westland Center to shop, of course, but come also to look. And enjoy.

It's one of the most beautiful places in the Observer area, one of the wonders of western Wayne County.

Adorned by specially landscaped tropical foliage, an appealing array of sculpture, stained glass windows and fountains, the center was conceived and designed by internationally known architects Victor Gruen and Louis Redstone.

On your next trip remember to take a ride in the beautiful see-through elevator in the East Court. Here is no dull, sterile cubicle designed merely for moving people up and down.

Its clear glass walls are decorated with slender curlicues of black iron, and as it rises slowly from the second to the third level it is a moving poem, visible to all shoppers who care to cast their eyes on such loveliness.

Its passengers can look out and get a panoramic view of the mall as they are swept to the top level.

Children can enjoy artist Sam Cashwan's sculpture "The Goose That Laid the Golden Egg," made especially for climbing and touching, as well as a floor length cage filled with a menagerie of colorful birds and a large fish aquarium.

The kids will also love the 20 foot high sculptured beanstalk and the awesomely tall giraffes, whose necks are counterbalanced to move and sway gently.

The auditorium attracts a host of people to various community events as well as the regularly scheduled displays of antiques, hobbies and demonstrations that enable people to look and browse, as well as shop.

The Westland Center Merchants' Association works together for the betterment of the center as a whole. Rules such as the ban on signs in store windows are strictly observed -- the result is a shopping center that offers elegance and good taste as well as convenience.

The center also has a full police staff, which keeps order and helps maintain a pleasant and helpful atmosphere.

The shopping center concept originated as a means for people to purchase goods in an efficient manner.

But Westland Center goes far beyond that utilitarian idea. With its educational and entertainment facilities, it is a real community gathering place.

Graced with the very best in art, architecture and landscaping, it is also one of the most important beauty spots in the Observer area.











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