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# Local artist featured at fair

Robert Gwynn Jr. at work in his Birmingham studio

Examples of Gwynn's realism in egg tempera

The first lakeside art exhibit and sale in Troy's history will be held from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday around the 10-acre Northfield Hills development near East Long Lake, Crooks and Colledge roads.

More than 74 artists have been signed up for participation in the event by show co-ordinator and Northfield Hills resident Brenda Robinson.

Among the exhibitors will be Robert Gwynn Jr. of Birmingham.

"IT WAS, in great part, a result of the energy crisis which got me into this work," Gwynn said of his new profession.

Formerly a designer for General Motors, he said he was unsure of the industry's fate and decided to give his art a try.

While at G.M. he designed Pontiacs and also worked in a training capacity in a development studio.

"I received most of my art training at G.M. but my father has always been a great influence on me," Gwynn said.

HIS FATHER is a men's clothing designer with a shop at 114 S. Woodward in Birmingham, above which is located his son's art studio.

"Fortunately some of his talent has rubbed off on me," said young Gwynn. He works entirely in egg tempera and acrylics.

"I don't think the wonderful sheen you get with egg tempera can be duplicated with any other medium," he said.

"I also don't like the wild colors you get with oils. I tend to stick to the brown tones in all my paintings," he said.

He also sticks to realism in his paintings with subjects include Wyeth-esque scenes like "barns, old wood and weeds, anything that's interesting to paint" he said.

GWYNN'S WORK will be shown alongside that of artists who work in silver, on-the-spot portraits, silk screen, photography, pottery and rug hooking among other media.

Among the artists will be Barry Bartlett of Birmingham with his ceramics and raku work; Farmington residents, Robert A. Bradley with his candles and Nora Mendoza with paintings and Peggy Raben of Orchard Lake with her macrame works.

Others include Birmingham's Jacqueline Getzen, John Rine Mille and Cynthia Savell; Lathrup Village artists Priscilla Krippendorf, Donna O. Ruby and Virginia Thackaberry and also F. C. Scafuri of Rochester, an on-the-spot portraitist.

West Bloomfield weaver Mary R. Schwark, potter Charles Blosser and jeweler, Pat Blosser, both of Troy will also be exhibiting.

## Photo entries being accepted in August

Entry dates for Exposure '74, The Pontiac Mall's amateur photographic competition and show are set for Aug. 10 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.), and Aug. 11 (1-5 p.m.).

Photographers should bring entries to the desk located near the mall's self-service Post Office, located inside the shopping center.

Theme for the amateur show, co-sponsored by the Pontiac Photographic Society, is "Michigan Through The Camera's Eye."

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