

Art/Robert Webb

The gift that keeps giving

"Give the gift that keeps on giving" is one of the standard lines frequently heard this time of year. For most products the phrase contains a certain amount of hyperbole, but in the field of art, the statement rings true.

A good work of art, be it sculpture, oil, watercolor, carving, print, or even inexpensive poster, can change as we change, our appreciation for it grow as we grow.

Listed below are several art galleries generally priced to receive the student trade. The galleries are listed from the closest to campus to further out.

University Art Museum, campus, 686-3027. The Museum has two areas which cater to the art buyer. The Gift Shop contains unusual, handcrafted gifts: toys, Christmas tree decorations, jewelry, gift wrapping paper, a large selection of cards, including several specialized handmade Christmas cards (many from artists who have had shows at the Art Museum), all of which are moderately priced.

The Art Museum's Rental Sales Gallery offers woodcuts, oils, wood carvings, photographs, acrylics, watercolors, lithographs, monoprints, collages, and mixed media pieces representing the works of nearly 70 living Oregon artists. These pieces sell for anywhere from \$100 to \$1,000, but they also rent out for \$16 to \$45 for a three month period. It's possible to have a revolving art gallery in your own home.

Art Museum hours are noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday.

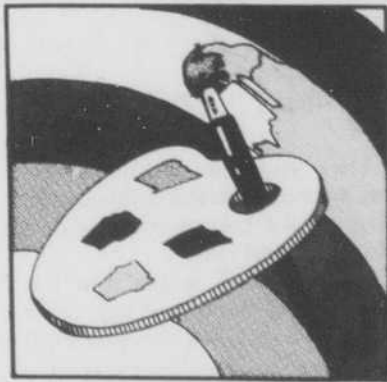
Maude Kerns Art Center, 1910 E. 15th, 345-1571. December is Christmas Festival time at Maude Kerns which means the Center is offering several special events as well as the usual fare available in their Gift Shop. To begin with, this Friday is their Champagne Opening Festival held from 8 to 10 p.m. and the admission is

\$2.50.

December 3-5 are Green Days at the Center. Wreaths, swags, and other greenery will be available to purchase for holiday decoration and gift-giving.

On December 10 the Center will be open until 9 p.m. As an added attraction, they will have wassail and entertainment.

The Art Center's hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. every day except Fridays when the Center



stays open until 9 p.m.

Robert McClain's Japanese Prints and Supplies, 2380 Spring Blvd., 343-1980. This gallery is rather unique for a couple of reasons: one, it's in McClain's private home, and two, the gallery consists exclusively of contemporary Japanese prints, mainly wood-block prints and a few made-by-hand facsimiles. His prices range from \$10 and up to around \$1000. He also has artists' supplies such as blocks of wood and carving knives. As he works out of his own home, the hours are very open. Just call or drop in.

Insights Gallery of Fine Arts, 5th Street Public Market, 344-6555. These folks carry posters, prints, lithographs, colorographs, originals by nationally known artists such as Gorman and Schurr, and copies. They also take consignment works by various local artists. The posters run from \$4 to \$150 without frames.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Artworks Limited, 291 E. 5th, 485-0034. Their primary line is in exhibition posters (for museums, art shows, etc.) and photographic color posters. Currently they are exhibiting posters by Jerry Schurr, they even have a few signed. Artworks claims to have the widest variety of posters in the area. Prices on loose posters run from \$5 to \$40.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Original Graphics Gallery, 122 E. Broadway, 344-5580. This gallery has been in operation for 15 years showing graphic art, oils, watercolors, and prints by both local artists and those more internationally known such as Chagall and Miro. Their prices range from 75 cents to \$50,000.

Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday, they are closed on Sunday.

Soaring Wings, 760 Willamette, 683-8474. They have an on-going display specializing in original watercolors, oils, acrylics, woodcarvings, bronze and ivories, many in limited editions. They also have smaller gift items such as doormats, carvings, and stoneware mugs from \$15 and up.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday until

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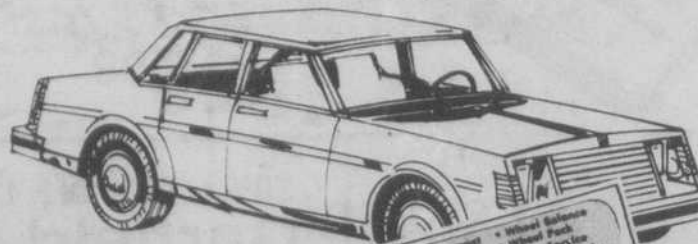
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