

The Arts

'Paintings by Patrick' focus on Renaissance style

By Shelley Davis
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"It's a Renaissance. It's not pop art, and it's not modern art. Nobody's doing my style," artist Patrick Baird said of his "Paintings By Patrick," a display of work that is currently showing at Clackamas Community College.

"Paintings By Patrick" is set up in the Pauling Center Gallery and will last through Jan. 31. "I didn't know that they (instructors) wanted to show them," Baird said. "They weren't intended for a show," he added.

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Baird, 19, is a student at the College and has been painting for 10 years. He previously attended a small art school for five years located on McLoughlin Boulevard. Baird is a graduate from Clackamas High School where a display had been set up of his work in



Art of Patrick Baird

Photo by Joel Miller

the past.

He is currently enrolled in four art classes at the College. Instructor Leland John confesses that "I don't teach him a thing." Although Baird doesn't need to be taught

much, it gives him a place to work.

The amount of time Baird spends on his paintings have ranged from 20 minutes to three years. The one he has been working on for three

years is presently in the "cartoonist stage," as Baird calls it. He explained it's basically sketched out in colors, and he's been adding to it little by little.

Baird plans to sell his pain-

tings in the near future. In the distant future, he would like to attend a large university and continue doing paintings on a commission basis.

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Music classes invite community interest

By Julie Miller
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Interested in music? Do you like the sound of a choir in perfect harmony? How about the jazzy sounds of a Big Band? Or the blending of classical music in an orchestra?

Community Choir, Community Orchestra and Big Band classes are being offered, tuition free, to anyone in the community who is interested. The classes meet once a week in Randall Hall on campus.

Lonnie Cline, Choral director at the College, is directing the Community Choir and Loretta Kaser of Silverton is the accompanist.

The Choir performed at "Christmas By Candlelight," the College's Christmas program along with the Community Orchestra and the College Corale. They will be performing at the Church Women United Choir festival on May 5 where church and other choirs will meet and sing.

Each choir will sing a selection and then the groups will combine to sing three selec-

tions. Lonnie Cline will conduct the groups. This will be his third year doing so. The Community choir will also perform at the College's graduation ceremony, along with a special brass ensemble conducted by Garey Neilson.

Community Orchestra meets on Mondays from 7-10 p.m. and is conducted by Tom Gingerich, a music teacher at Canby High School.

The orchestra consists of approximately 15 to 20 string and wind instrument musicians, with an average age of about 25. Gingerich said that one of the basic purposes for the orchestra class is so people in the community can have a chance to play with other musicians. It also provides them with a chance to keep in practice, he said.

Though Gingerich is pleased with the orchestra, he said he still would welcome more string players - preferably cello and bass players. If anyone is interested in joining the Community Orchestra the deadline for entry is by the end of winter term.

The Big Band class conducted by Frank Leuck, rehearses on Monday nights in Randall Hall. The class plays music from such jazz oriented bands as Glenn Miller, Buddy Rich and Doc Severanson.

Leuck said the eight-piece Big Band has been a popular and successful community outlet for talented high school, college and community musicians for several years. "big band music," he said, "is

now, more than ever, enjoying great popularity, both by the public and the many excellently trained musicians to be found in most every community."

Several public appearances by the Big Band class are planned. A joint Big Band and College Stage Band Concert will be presented on Campus at 7:30 p.m., Feb. 12. They will also be featured as the special guest band at the annual College Jazz Festival, March 15 and 16, along with nearly two dozen top high school state bands.



One-act play "Stray Cats," currently in rehearsal, centers around a newlywed couple facing the trials of an additional roommate. Performance dates for "Stray Cats" and another one-act play, "At Home" are March 12 at noon and March 13 at noon and 7 p.m..

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