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DelVal opening exhibit of Maximilian Vanka's artwork

The works of painter Maximilian Vanka are the focus of an exhibition slated Wednesday through Oct. 10 at the Joseph Krauskopf Memorial Library of Delaware Valley College.

Selected with assistance from his daughter, Peggy Brasko of Rushland, the exhibition will feature works Vanka created while living in Bucks County and teaching at the college when it was known as the National Farm School.

Born in Zagreb, Croatia, in 1890, Vanka was acclaimed by critics as his country's leading painter. He studied in Amsterdam, Italy and Paris and then returned to his hometown, where he taught at the Academy of Beaux Arts. In 1934, Vanka came to the United States, where he lived and painted in New York.

In 1941 he became a U.S. citizen and moved his family to Rushland. He joined the DelVal faculty in 1947 and taught art appreciation until 1955.

Information: 489-2231.

Writers meet

Active Voice International Writers' Association, Bucks/Lehigh Chapter, will meet 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Quakertown Community High School, Fifth and Park avenues, Room B-121, Quakertown. New members are welcome, beginner or experienced. Bring work for critique.

Art league notes

The Bucks-Mont Art League will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Warminster Library, 1076 Emma Lane, Warminster. Izzie Barth, Chalfont watercolorist, will give a demonstration.

New members and visitors are welcome. Monthly meetings are from September through May on the third Wednesday of the month. Information: 322-6286.

The league will exhibit paintings at the Willow Grove Bank, Route 63 and Davisville Road, Willow Grove, from Oct. 1 through 28.

Woodmere tour, talk

In conjunction with the exhibition, "Emerging Artists: Julia Stratton," Woodmere Art Museum offers a public tour at 2 p.m. on Wednesday and a gallery talk with Stratton at 2 p.m. on Sunday. The programs are free with museum admission (suggested donation \$3 for non-members).

Stratton creates single 3D bronze figures and animals in tableaux settings. The exhibit includes recent

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works based on elements of circus environments, including cages, ball, horses and a lone performer. In addition, a series of nine shrine-like pieces explores women, vanity and aging.

The museum is at 9201 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia, and open Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. Closed Mondays and major holidays. Information: 247-0476

Study storytelling

"Once Upon a Wicked Stage" a study and comparison of storytelling through plays, operas and musicals, begins on Thursday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Bucks County Free Library's Michener Conference Center, 150 S. Pine St., Doylestown.

The free series continues on third Tuesdays through Dec. 8 and is led by Kathi Maguire.

Registration: 348-5346

Cartoonist spotlighted

If you need a little humor in your life, check out University City Arts League Gallery Thursday through Oct. 11. Opening the 1999 season is a view of the universe by 11 of Philadelphia's favorite cartoonists "Philadelphia Cartoonists."

The gallery is at 4226 Spruce St., Philadelphia. A free opening reception will be held 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday. The opening will be part of the Third Thursday Kick Off sponsored by University City District. This may be the first and only time where so many masters of the comic strip set mingle en masse.

New gallery hours are 1 to 6 p.m. Monday to Thursday; 1 to 5 p.m. Friday; Saturdays and Sundays by appointment. Information: 382-7811.

Quakertown poet reads

Quakertown poet Ray Fulmer will present a reading of his work at Barnes & Noble in Bryn Mawr Friday at 7:30 p.m.

Fulmer's poetry has appeared in the Pennsylvania Poetry Society's "Prize Poems" in eight of the past 11 years. He is a theater critic and this fall will teach creative writing in the Beaver College Community Scholars program.

Fulmer moderates the monthly "Poetry in the Gallery" series at the Main Street Theatre in Quakertown. For the past three years, he has led workshops on verse at Northampton Community College

with Lehigh Valley poet Len Roberts.

In addition to his writing, Fulmer has been an actor in educational, community and professional theater for more than 35 years.

In November, he will be featured in Tina Howe's "Painting Churches" at the Main Street Theatre, where he also offers acting instruction.

Fulmer was recently named to the Philadelphia Theatre Alliance's Barrymore Awards nominating committee. The prestigious Barrymores are presented for outstanding achievement in Philadelphia's professional theater.

His appearance at Barnes & Noble is sponsored by The Mad Poets' Society and Hellas magazine. He will read from a new book currently in progress tentatively titled, "Between Tick and Tock."

The Bryn Mawr Barnes & Noble is at 720 Lancaster Ave.

Abolitionists discussed

Commonwealth speaker Dr. Nilgun Anadolu Okur will discuss "Abolitionists and Anti-Slavery Organizations in Pennsylvania" on Friday at 7:30 p.m. at Mather Mill, Fort Washington.

The slide-illustrated talk recognizes the efforts of historic Pennsylvania citizens who supported the Abolitionist movement. Among those are Thomas Garret of Upper Darby; Robert Purvis, a wealthy, free African who helped slaves escape through the Underground Railroad; and Lucretia Mott, the defender of women's rights, who was an Abolitionist.

The lecture is free and open to the public. There is free parking at nearby Hope Lodge. Information: 646-1595 or 646-1641.

Catch 'Cabaret'

"Cabaret" by John Van Druen will open at Town & Country Players in Buckingham on Friday and continue on Saturday, Sunday and Sept. 25, 26 and 27 and Oct. 2 and 3.

Directed by Michael Moeller, the musical, which was translated into a film starring Lisa Minelli and Joel Grey, features such tunes as "Come to the Cabaret" and "Money, Money, Money!" It is the story of Sally Bowles, an American cabaret performer caught up in the decadence and phony glitter of 1930s Berlin.

The theater, on Route 263 in Buckingham, is housed in an historic barn in an air-conditioned, smoke-free setting, the nonprofit community theater has been oper-

ating for more than 50 years.

Performances are 8 Friday and Saturday nights and 3 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$10. Reservations/information: 348-7566.

Ivyland performers

Ed McCall of Ivyland stars in Hopewell, N.J.'s Off-Broadstreet Theatre's production of "Smoke on the Mountain." Another Bucks County member of the cast is Christy McCall of Ivyland.

Artistic director Bob Thick is directing the production, with musical direction by McCall.

"Smoke on the Mountain," a musical comedy, opens Friday and runs weekends through Oct. 31. On Friday and Saturday evenings, the doors open at 7 for dessert, with curtain at 8. Sunday matinees feature dessert at 1:30 p.m. and curtain at 2:30 p.m.

Admission Friday and Sunday is \$18.50, Saturday is \$20. There is a senior citizen discount available for Sunday matinees. All prices include both dessert and show. The theater

is at 5 S. Greenwood Ave., Hopewell, N.J. Reservations: (609) 466-2766.

'Theatrical Splash'

The Central Bucks Aquatics and Performing Arts Center will present a festival to highlight the mission of the center. It will showcase both aquatic and performing arts activities in a family atmosphere.

"A Theatrical Splash" will take place Saturday from 1 to 5 p.m. at Central Bucks East High School, Holcom Road, Holcom Road. There will be performances in the auditorium from 1 to 3 p.m. and aquatic activities at the pool from 3 to 5 p.m.

Featured will be Dance Theatre of Pennsylvania, Theatre Arts Center, International School of Performing Arts and Midnight Produc-

tions, a diving exhibition from members of the United States Diving Team, water relay races, prizes, food and fun booths from Fosters Toy Shop and Kurts Magic.

It will end with an open swim, so bring a bathing suit. Adults must be in swimwear to accompany a child in the pool. Prizes for wacky relay races will be sponsored by East Street Center, 7-Eleven, Doylestown.

Tickets are \$5, \$3, for children. Tickets will be available at the door. Information: 345-1500, ext. 2787.

Tavern night set

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