

Local artist wins a fine award

East Lansing artist **Susan Hensel** is one of the award winners of the "2000 Jackson Area Show — A Fine Arts Competition."

Susan won the award for One-Person Show plus Stipend (\$250) for "The Gift," which was pastel, gold leaf and sculptural materials.

Winners were announced during the opening reception of the exhibit Jan. 23 by Ella Sharp Museum Director of Collections and Exhibits Maura Overland, and President of the Friends of the Ella Sharp Museum, Mary Ann Johnson.

The show featured 52 works by 38 artists and was open to artists in Jackson and 11 surrounding counties.

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Crystal Award nominations needed

Nomination cards for the 13th annual Crystal Award are now available at the East Lansing Public Library and City Hall.

For 13 years the program has been recognizing excellence, leadership and commitment to the improvement of East Lansing.

The program has awarded the Crystal Award in the past to individuals, organizations, educators and businesses.

The selection process has been changed this year to make nominating more "user friendly." Nominations can be made by simply filling out a postcard. In early March, a search committee will review the postcards and the finalists will be selected. The committee will then meet personally with each nominator of the finalists to determine the Crystal Award winners.

The deadline to submit nominations is March 1 in the Community Events Office, Room 209, East Lansing City Hall. Nomination postcard can be placed in drop boxes in East Lansing City Hall and at the East Lansing Public Library. You can also access a nomination postcard online at www.ci.east-lansing.mi.us (keyword: Crystal Award).

The recipients will be announced at a community reception from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. April 17 in the ballroom of the East Lansing Marriott at University Place.

From the military mailbag

■ **Daniel Werner** recently qualified and enlisted in the U.S. Navy for guaranteed training in the Judge Advocate General Corps. He currently is working on a degree at the University of Iowa College of Law. Upon successful completion of his degree, he will begin Navy schooling to prepare for his job in the Judge Advocate General Corps. Daniel is the son of **Mary and Donald Werner** of Pewamo.

■ **Steven Hogle** recently enlisted in the U.S. Navy for guaranteed training as a cryptologic technician. A 2000 graduate of Okemos High School, Steven will report for basic training at Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill., in July. He is the son of **Deborah and Michael Hogle** of Okemos.

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