

Royal Oak Schools



WPA Mural Project

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### ROYAL OAK 'TREASURES' TEAM UP WITH MODERNISM EXPOSITION

The "treasures" of the Royal Oak School District will be among the beneficiaries of this year's Michigan Modernism Exposition, scheduled for April 22-24, 2005, at the Southfield Municipal Complex on Evergreen Road at Civic Center Drive, Southfield, Michigan.

The three oil-on-canvas WPA murals, measuring 11 by 23 feet, have been in storage for 25 years and their restoration has become a cause celebre. The community has rallied behind efforts to ensure that these Depression-era works of art are reinstated to their former grandeur. Fund-raising measures and steps to raise awareness are in process.

For more information about the Royal Oak murals, call Anne Redmond a (248) 435-8400, ext. 209, or visit [www.royaloakschools.com](http://www.royaloakschools.com) on the Web.

The Michigan Modernism Exposition offers a rare opportunity in our area for serious art and history aficionados as well as those who appreciate the special ambiance of this unique setting. In partnering with the Royal Oak Murals Project, the Exposition is helping to support art that embodies the very spirit of America.

The grand opening party for the Exposition is scheduled 7-10 p.m. Friday, April 22, with global music by DJ powdrblu. wine and hors d'oeuvres. ArtServe Michigan and the Detroit Area Art Deco Society are benefactors of the Friday evening event. To order tickets for the grand opening party, call (248) 557-8288, ext. 17.

Exposition hours are 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday, April 23, and noon-5 p.m. Sunday, April 24. For more information about the Exposition, call Michael Butler of M&M Enterprises at (586) 465-9441 or e-mail [mandminfo@aol.com](mailto:mandminfo@aol.com) or visit [www.antignet.com/m&m](http://www.antignet.com/m&m)