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MISSOULA---

University of Montana students, faculty, staff and their spouses may participate in special-interest art classes beginning October 7 at the University of Montana.

The series, called the "Fun-Do" classes, will include watercolor painting, metal enameling and photography. They will be conducted at the University Center from 7:30-9:30 p.m. on their respective nights. Cost is $10 per series.

Patti A. Hirst, UM publications coordinator and graphic artist, is coordinator for the new program. Said Mrs. Hirst, "The program is not meant to be just a crafts program or just an academic ritual. Rather it's an opportunity to enjoy while learning. It's specially designed for faculty, staff, students and spouses. They're invited to come and have fun.

"This is also a real opportunity to get the very best instruction from highly qualified specialists," Mrs. Hirst added.

Ray Chapman, University Center director, said, "The courses are designed primarily for the beginner but professionals also are invited." He said the program will provide a service to those who will not be enrolling in the regular University curriculum.

Mrs. Hirst called the series "an ever-expanding program." She said, "Next winter we may include a course in world gourmet cooking."

Ward Devlin, art teacher at Polson High School, will teach watercolor painting on Tuesday nights, beginning Oct. 7. He is a candidate for the master of fine arts degree in painting and sculpture at UM.

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Devlin was instructor for the UM Extension Division in 1965-66. A native of Finley, N.D., he received his bachelor's degree in art from Mayville State College, Mayville, N.D., in 1942.

An abstract concrete sculpture by Devlin is displayed on the grounds of Elliott Village, a group of married student housing units at UM.

Lee Nye, an accomplished free-lance photographer, will teach photography classes beginning Oct. 9. Photography as a medium of expression will be emphasized with introduction to exposure and development of paper and film, finishing, presentation and exhibition.

Nye, a native of Forsyth, Mont., was graduated from Brooks Institute of Photography, Santa Barbara, Calif., in 1952. He has had one-man shows in New Orleans, Santa Barbara and San Francisco and was winner of two $100 awards in Photography Magazine International Contest in 1953, which drew 93,000 entries.

Metal enameling, including jewelry making, will be taught by Leila Moniger Autio, Missoula, beginning Oct. 8. Mrs. Autio formerly taught art for two years at Hellgate High School, Missoula, and has supervised the art section of the Montana High School Fine Arts Camp at UM for the past several summers.

Mrs. Autio received her bachelor's degree in art at Montana State University, Bozeman, in 1949 and her master's degree in art from the University of Montana in 1961. Her teaching experience has included positions with Head Start, adult education in the Missoula schools and with the UM Extension Division.

Her paintings and handiwork have been exhibited in Montana and Illinois. Mrs. Autio is a native of Great Falls.

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