

9303 or vanwezel.org). Please see this week's See & Do for more information. The show's at 8 p.m. Jan. 1. Tickets are \$58-\$69.

LECTURES/CLASSES/SEMINARS

ART INSTRUCTION Bayfront Community Center, 803 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota (861-5000). Kathi Taylor leads this lesson 12:30-3:30 p.m. every Thurs. Enrollment is \$6.

BEADING CLASSES Beads, F.O.B., 3412 Gulf Gate Drive, Sarasota (921-0871). This shop offers a variety of lessons on beading for all levels. Call for classes, meeting times and dates and enrollment fees.

CHLOE'S BEAD SHOP 2406 Manatee Ave. E., Bradenton (747-7759 or chloes-bead-shop.com). Check out Chloe's beading, wire wrapping and jewelry classes at various times every Wed.-Sat. Enrollment is \$10-\$85.

FLORIDA STUDIO THEATRE 1241 N. Palm Ave., Sarasota (366-9000 or floridastudiotheatre.org). FST offers all kinds of adult education theater classes through Dec. 27. Call for lessons, dates, times and enrollment fees.

I AM HEALING ARTS CENTER 1918 Robinhood St., Sarasota (927-6797). Through Dec. 31: This center offers a wide range of classes on practices like meditation and yoga. Call for specific lessons, dates, times and enrollment fees.

JEWELRY DESIGN CENTER, ACADEMY OF THE JEWELRY ARTS 4225 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota (925-3335). This school offers all sorts of classes on topics related to crafting jewelry, for learners at every level. Call for specific lessons, dates and times. Enrollment fees run \$75-\$399.

JUNG DISCUSSION GROUP Argosy University, 5250 17th St., Sarasota (493-5137 or cgjungsarasota.org). At 7 p.m. every other Thurs., this class gathers to gab about the work of Dr. John Dourley. Enrollment is free.

MEN'S FRATERNITY Church of the Redeemer, 222 S. Palm Ave., Sarasota (955-4263, ext. 25 or redeemersarasota.org). This 20-week class is for men interested in developing a personal mission for their lives. The meetings continue at 7 a.m. every Thurs. through March 20. There is a \$10 workbook fee.

NATURAL HEALTH CENTER 2344 Bee Ridge Road, Sarasota (926-7899). Through Jan. 31, this center is offering all kinds of free classes and workshops on how to better your health. Call for specific lessons, dates and times.

SCHOOL ASSISTANCE FROM THAISE EDUCATIONAL Robert L. Taylor Community Complex, 1845 34th St., Sarasota (861-5000). 2:30-6 p.m. every Mon.-Fri. while school is in session, kids ages 13-18 can get free help with homework, as well as standardized test preparation.

THE WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER Various Locations, Sarasota County (366-1700 or thewomensresourcecenter.org). The center hosts and puts on countless educational programs, covering topics like how to start your own business and self-esteem, and branching out to almost any topic you can think of. Call or visit the website for specific information.

SPECIAL EVENTS

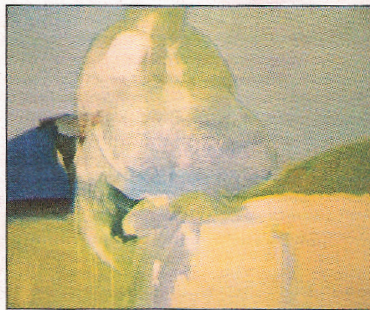
COCKTAILS AT THE CÀ D'ZAN The John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art, 5401 Bay Shore Road, Sarasota (359-5700, ext. 5705 or ringling.org). 6-9 p.m. every third Thurs. of the month, the Cà d'Zan's terrace gets tricked out with a band and a bar. Admission is \$5.

DIVINIA JEANNE'S SATURDAY TEA 1490-A Boulevard of the Arts, Sarasota (366-5888 or diviniajeanne.com). This chocolate and sweets shop holds a tea with elegantly crafted pastries and more at 11 a.m. every Sat. Participation is \$15.

DOWNTOWN SARASOTA FARMERS MARKET On Lemon Avenue, between First Street and Pineapple Avenue (587-4985). Local food, drink and craft artisans display all things organic and creative. 7 a.m.-noon every Sat.

ECO-KIDS CLUB Dallas White Park, Greenwood Ave., North Port (426-9752). Explore Mote's touch-tank at this fun kids' event 10 a.m.-noon Dec. 29. Admission is free.

FARMERS MARKET Along Main Street, Lakewood Ranch, Bradenton (mainstreetlakewoodranch.com).



COURTESY STATE OF THE ARTS GALLERY

"Buddha" by Larry Forgard, part of Organic Interpretations — Abstractions of Land and Water, at State of the Arts Gallery through Jan. 10

This seasonal market is held in Lakewood Ranch 8 a.m.-1 p.m. every Sat.

GIRL'S NIGHT OUT Cosimo's Brick Oven, 3501 S. Tamiami Trail, Ste. 201, Sarasota (363-0211). 5-10 p.m. every Tues., Cosimo's offers the ladies martinis at the special price of \$5.

BOOKS

CIRCLE BOOKS 478 John Ringling Blvd., St. Armands Circle, Sarasota (388-2850). At 1 p.m. Dec. 27, Steve Cork signs copies of his novel, *Knights Moves*. All Circle Books events are free.

THE VILLAGE BOOKSHOP 1006 11th Ave. W., Village of the Arts, Bradenton (750-9141 or thevillagebookshop.org). The finest bookstore on the Suncoast hosts a poets and writers group get-together at 7 p.m. every Thurs. and an open mic for poets and acoustic musicians at 8 p.m. the first Fri. of every month. All events are free.

VOICES OF VENICE Sanddollar Bookstore, 272 W. Miami Ave., Venice (915-8332 or poetsrule.com). Harry Behr hosts this poetry reading event 7-9 p.m. every Thurs. Admission is free.

SPORTS/OUTDOORS/RECREATION

BEGINNING ASHTANGA YOGA HOLIDAY CHARITY CLASS Rosemary Court Yoga, 810 Central Ave., Sarasota (952-5280). Liana Sheintal teaches this beginning yoga class. Noon-1:15 p.m. Dec. 30. There is a suggested donation of \$10.

BELLY DANCE CLASSES-EGYPTIAN STYLE Various Locations, Sarasota (321-0513). Nirvana teaches various skill levels every Mon. Beginners meet 6-7 p.m.; a fundamentals classes follows 7:15-8:30. Enrollment is \$80 for six weeks of beginners' classes and \$40 for five weeks of the fundamentals.

BELLY DANCING Pink Palace, 3316 Webber St., Sarasota (587-6385 or southfloridabellydancers.com). Bethsheba Almah teaches beginning belly dancing classes at her Pink Palace noon-1 p.m. Sun. and 6-7 p.m. Mon. and Wed., and an advanced class 7-8 p.m. Mon. and Wed. Enrollment is \$15 per class or \$120 per eight weeks. Almah also leads a free class at Ringling College of Art and Design 9-10 p.m. every Wed. and a lesson at Anna Maria Community Center 1-2 p.m. every Sat., which costs \$12 for center members and \$15 for nonmembers. Almah also performs at Pegasus Greek Family Restaurant every Fri. and Sat. evening. Call for times.

CHERRY BLOSSOM EXOTIC POLE DANCING LESSONS Rosemary Court, 810 Central Ave., Sarasota (224-0110). Get in shape while channeling your inner stripper at these classes. Call for dates, times and enrollment fees.

NORDIC POLE WALKING CLASSES Foot Solutions Sarasota, 5519 Palmer Crossing Circle, Sarasota (927-9629). Foot Solutions is conducting this 10-class program at 7:45 a.m. Sat. mornings. Enrollment is \$5 per class.

MUSEUMS/ATTRACTIONS

BUCKO'S MUSEUM 1923 Myrtle St., Sarasota (355-7644 or buckos.net). Founded in 1960 as an Army-Navy store, Bucko's is today both a new and used furniture store and a showcase for assorted curios from the past. The arcane rules at this disorganized, intriguing jumble of objects. Hours are 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Admission is free.

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