

# Art festivities due May 2-3

Beginning in May, Salmon is hosting an unprecedented weekend of art festivities, which is to include: The Renaissance Faire and Art Show and Sale, the second public granting session of the Idaho Commission on the Arts, and two instructional workshops. Visiting professional artists will provide individual instruction for those interested in developing their talent.

Fred Ochi, a prominent Idaho Artist best known for his watercolors, will be conducting a watercolor workshop on Friday, May 2, from 2 to 10 p.m. at the Junior High School mobile unit. There is to be an admission fee charged at the door.

Ochi has studied at California College of Arts and Crafts and Brandt-Dike School of Art, as well as studying with such masters as Robert E. Wood, Zornes, and George Post.

He has had over 50 one man shows, exhibiting extensively throughout all the Western States, as well as in New York City, and has won countless awards for his works, among them, "Best of Show" by Idaho State Artist Assn. and the Idaho Centennial award.

Reviewers have described his work as "Free in technique with a hint of oriental enhanced attitudes." "Ochi's impressions of the rural scene have a fluid quality enhanced by subtle coloring. Stroking of his brush work is

masterful, belying it's demanding nature."

"The workshop on Friday is geared to the aspiring artist who has never painted before," according to Stacie Dages, Salmon Arts Council director.

"But for the artist who wished to sharpen and enhance skills already acquired this is an opportunity to learn many techniques he has learned and perfected over a life time of painting — and he feeds it to the artist as rapidly and as generously as it can be absorbed. His bubbling enthusiasm is unsurpassed and the learning experience cannot be matched anywhere."

Anyone interested in meeting Ochi and viewing his exceptional works, is invited to attend his exhibit at the Renaissance Faire and Art Show and Sale from 10 to 5 p.m. at the new Salmon High School.

Ochi will be among the 30 other artists from throughout the state invited to display and sell their works at the Faire.

The second workshop is for those interested in improving their guitar playing ability as James Reid-guitarist and lutenist will conduct a workshop on Saturday, May 3, during the Renaissance Faire, from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. in the music room at the new Salmon High School.

Reid holds a bachelor of music degree from the San Francisco Conservatory of Music, and a master of music degree from Hartt College of Music.

Performing on both the classic guitar and renaissance lute, Reid is able to offer a wide range of pieces in his programs which includes works written from 1,500 to the present.

In addition to maintaining an active performance

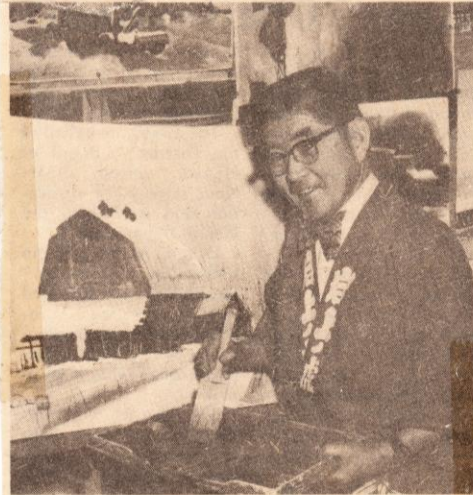
schedule, he currently is a member of the faculty of the school of music at the University of Idaho. After concluding his workshop on Saturday, Reid will be a part of the Renaissance Faire's noon hour entertainment, performing before the vignette from "Taming of the Shrew" scheduled to begin at 12:30 p.m. in the Commons Area of the High School.

To highlight a day of Renaissance festivities, on Saturday evening the Salmon Arts Council performing arts series will present Reid in concert, performing on both lute and guitar, works of Renaissance, Baroque, Classical and Modern music, beginning at 8 p.m. in the Methodist Church.

For further information about the workshops or the concert call Salmon Arts Council at 756-2987.



**JAMES REID, GUITARIST** and lutenist, will conduct a workshop during the Renaissance Faire May 3 and in the evening will present a concert at the Methodist Church as part of the Salmon Arts Council's performing arts series. He currently is a member of the faculty of the school of music at the University of Idaho.



**FRED OCHI, PROMINENT** artist from Idaho Falls, will conduct a watercolor workshop in Salmon May 2. Ochi will be among 30 other artists from throughout the state invited to display their works at the Renaissance Faire and Art Show and Sale.