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DULUTH--Max Aronoff, noted Philadelphia violist and string teacher, will conduct a string clinic in UMD's Kirby Student center opening at 9:30 a.m. May 2. It will be one of 12 major events during the fifth annual UMD Fine Arts Festival, April 27 - May 17.

Sponsored by the music department, headed by Robert W. House, the clinic is being coordinated by James E. Smith, associate professor of music and string instructor.

Invitations to area string instructors and their students emphasize that specific string training for good orchestral playing will be a major consideration of the clinic. All sessions are open and free to the public.

The program will begin with registration, followed by demonstrations and, in the afternoon, a concert by Duluth-Superior area ensembles and orchestras.

Aronoff, violist with the famed Curtis quartet, was for 13 years a member of the Curtis Institute of Music faculty and since 1942 has been director of Philadelphia's New School of Music.

He stresses not so much working with the highly gifted but with "the ambitious, intelligent student of basic talent who has the brain and the heart to play well, though he lacks the natural technical gift."

Aronoff will lecture at 10 a.m. on "Group Training for Better Orchestral Playing" and at 2 p.m. on "Preparing for Good Orchestral Playing in the Private Lesson."

Cooperating in arrangements are the Duluth members of the Minnesota unit, American String Teachers association.