

Music Hall series will offer 4 productions

Four productions will be presented during 1981, starting in January, on the Theatre Series at Music Hall Center in Detroit.

Available at subscription discounts, the theater series offers the Long Wharf regional theater in repertory with Noel Coward's "Private Lives" and James Goldman's "The Lion in Winter."

Opening Jan. 13, the drawing room comedy "Private Lives" will continue Jan. 16-17.

"The Lion in Winter," which focuses on political intrigue within the royal family of England in the Middle Ages, will be presented Jan. 14-15, 18.

THE LONG WHARF Theatre from Connecticut has had several of its original

productions move to New York and broadcast over public television. "The Gin Game" and "The Shadow Box" are two examples.

Second on the Music Hall's Theatre Series is "Gertrude Stein Gertrude Stein Gertrude Stein," fresh from its off-Broadway run with the original star, Pat Carroll.

This play presents a look at the day-

enne of expatriates, Gertrude Stein, whose Paris apartment became the hub of all that was progressive, bitchy, creative and groundbreaking in the arts and letters of the 1920s. Performances will be March 10-15.

Next up is the American Dance Machine, a journey through time as the best Broadway dance numbers by the finest Broadway choreographers live again.

The movement of Anges DeMille, Michael Kidd, Carol Haney and Jerome Robbins from shows such as "Can

Can," "West Side Story," "Brigadoon" and "Pajama Game" are re-created by a company of dancers and musicians.

FINAL PRESENTATION of the 1981 Theatre Series is the rarely produced drama-with-music by England's Tom Stoppard, "Every Good Boy Deserves Favour."

The British American Repertory Company (on its first national tour of the U.S.) offers this tongue-in-cheek, heart-in-hand examination of political dissidence, complete lunacy and hope for humanity.

for this play, which moved the London Times to comment: "A work of true genius . . . fire and glitter." Season ticket discounts to these four shows in Music Hall's Theatre Series are available until Dec. 19. Same seats are guaranteed and subscribers are granted exchange privileges, along with advance "Director's Notes" for each show.

Single tickets sales begin Jan. 5. For further information call at 963-6943 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

Schoolcraft's choir in concert

The Schoolcraft College Choral and Madrigal Singers will present their annual pre-holiday concert at 4 p.m. Dec. 14 at the Marquis Theatre in Northville.

The concert is free and the public is welcome.

Bradley Bloom, conductor of the choirs, said the program will offer a wide variety of music for all ages and tastes, both sacred and secular. Bloom has directed choral activities at Schoolcraft for the past 12 years. "Each year we try to select music that will be both challenging and enjoyable to the singers and audience alike," he said. "Our Dec. 14 program promises to be exciting and contains a festive spirit which anticipates the oncoming holiday season."

The program consists of the popular "Mass in G" by Franz Schubert with soloists soprano Debra Maseles and bass James Scherphorn.

Bloom said one of the reasons the Mass is popular among both amateur and professional choirs is its highly tuneful nature.

Another featured work is a portion of "Psalmiknozer" by Heinz Werner Zimmermann. Its text of praise, set in a jazz-like idiom, makes a strong but attractive contrast to the tuneful Mass, according to Bloom.

The program will conclude with the Madrigal Singers performing chamber music of the 16th century and Christmas carols for the holiday season.

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