

Attic production opening in its Michigan premiere

The Michigan premiere of "Between Daylight and Boonville" by Matt Williams will open Friday and run through Saturday, May 21, at the Attic Theatre, 525 E. Lafayette at Beaubien in Detroit's Greektown.

Performances will be at 8 p.m. Tuesday-Fridays, 6 and 9 p.m. Saturdays and 6:30 p.m. Sundays. Call 963-7789 to reserve tickets. Group rates, senior citizen and student discounts are available.

The play is about the realities of life in a temporary trailer court in the strip mining country of southern Indiana.

The production is directed by Attic Theatre company member Richard Buzinski.

In the drama, three women ponder their meager existence on a sweltering August day. They amuse themselves with Florida condominium brochures, Hollywood gossip magazines and schemes to run away from the dusty camp where not even a blade of grass can survive.

The day turns extraordinary and the magazines, brochures and suitcases are put away while the women's worst fears about mining danger come true.

Dane, Mendez appear in benefit to aid refugees

Folk blues singer Barbara Dane and her son, Pablo Mendez, a composer, arranger and guitarist, will perform in a benefit concert for the refugees of El Salvador at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 22, at the First Unitarian-Universalist Church, 4605 Cass, Detroit.

Traveling with Dane and Mendez is a Swedish film crew, which is working on a documentary film about her and American working women.

Detroit-born Dane began singing on UAW picket lines with Peter Seeger and Woody Guthrie in her teens. She became established in the blues and jazz music field, singing on radio and

television and producing and performing in concerts.

She dropped out of commercial work to tour Mississippi during the summer of 1964. Anti-war activities during the Vietnam era took her to perform for GI's around the world.

Mendez has lived in Cuba for the last 15 years. He has been working as a composer at the Cuban Film Institute and has played guitar with bands touring Eastern Europe, Spain and Mexico.

Dane and Mendez recently completed a tour in Europe together. Their record, "When We Make It Through," was cut in Cuba in 1981.



Dance works premiere

Gary DeLoatch stars in "The Slack Up," one of five new dance works to be seen in their Detroit premiere when Alvin Ailey's American Dance Theatre appears Tuesday through April 10 at the Music Hall Center. Fifteen different dances will be presented during seven performances, as the Ailey company celebrates its 10th annual Detroit appearance.

Community House group to visit Southern cities

A trip to Charleston, South Carolina, and Savannah, Georgia, is being offered this spring by the Community House, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham.

The trip to these two historic cities is scheduled for May 3-10 and priced at \$799 per person, double occupancy. The trip will include round-trip airfare, three nights at the Holiday Inn Mills House in Charleston, a carriage tour of Charleston's historic district, a tour of the Middleton Plantation and Gardens, a cruise of Charleston Harbor, sightseeing in Savannah, two dinners and two lunches.

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'Queen of Soul' heads big show

Vocalist Aretha Franklin, the Detroit "Queen of Soul," will headline a three-hour show saluting Doug Fraser at 8:30 p.m. April 16 at Joe Louis Arena in downtown Detroit.

The "Salute to Doug Fraser - Concert '83" is sponsored by the United Auto Workers, in cooperation with various civil rights groups.

Special guest star is Kris Kristofferson, the movie star and singer/

songwriter whose hits include "For the Good Times" and "Help Me Make It through the Night." Also appearing is Jan Spencer, the Channel 4 "Go 4 It" winner.

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