

# Local talent plays in 'Hello, Dolly!'

Several area residents are among cast members from metropolitan Detroit in the musical hit "Dolly!" which runs through Sunday, Aug. 25, at the Birmingham Theatre.

In featured roles are Shirleyann Kaledjian of Bloomfield Hills, who plays Ermengarde; Martin Flynn of Birmingham, who plays Cornelius Hack; Mary Callaghan Lynch of Birmingham, who plays Irene Molloy; and Pamela Ann Martin of Bloomfield Hills, who plays Minnie Fay.

Kaledjian is a theater/English major at Wayne State University, who has performed in shows on campus, in Detroit-area professional theaters (Actors Alliance, Fourth Street Playhouse and the Attic) and dinner theaters.

Flynn, a member of St. Dunstan's Guild of Cranbrook, appeared in several of the community theater's recent productions, including "Charley's Aunt," "Nuts" and "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum."

LYNCH RECENTLY played Esmerelda in a New York production of "The Barbered Bride." She also has

appeared in several Michigan Opera Theatre productions and has done radio and TV commercials in Detroit and New York.

Martin is a graduate of Birmingham's Seaholm High School, where she played leading roles in musicals. A student at the School of Dramatic Art in Windsor, Ontario, she played Hortense in the musical "The Boy Friend."

Other local people in the cast of "Dolly!" are Bill Wilson of Troy, Laura Lamun of Lathrup Village, Nancy Kolton of Southfield and Jon Carver of Southfield.

Starting in "Dolly!" as Dolly Gallagher Levi in TV movie actress Patsy Garrett. She has been featured on television in "Sanford," "Room 222," "Maude" and in the "cha-cha-cha" cat food commercial.

The original David Merrick production of "Hello, Dolly!" starring Carol Channing opened in a pre-Broadway run at Detroit's Fisher Theatre in 1965.

After massive revisions, the show opened in New York City in 1967 and has run of 2,844 performances.



Nicholas Dante (left) and Donna McKechnie are stars of "A Chorus Line," coming to the Meadow Brook Music Festival.

## upcoming things to do

### LONGEST RUNNING

"A Chorus Line," longest-running show in Broadway history and still on Broadway, arrives Tuesday, Aug. 20, at Meadow Brook Music Festival on the Oakland University campus near Rochester. Tony-award winner Donna McKechnie heads the national company's large cast, which also includes the show's co-author, Nicholas Dante, as Paul. Performances are at 8 p.m. through Sunday, Aug. 25, and matinees at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 21, and Saturday, Aug. 24. For ticket information, call the box office at 317-2010.

### JAZZ BAND

Chet Bogan and the Wolverine Jazz Band, with songstress Dixie Belle, will perform in concerts at 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 18, and 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 21, at the Truett Center in Southfield. Dixie Belle in private life is the wife of Walter Tromlano, clarinetist with the band. They are Southfield residents.

### DANCE FEVER

Three Detroit-area couples have been selected to appear on the TV show "Dance Fever" during the coming season. They are Ralph Dumo of Farmington Hills and Anita Fraley, who auditioned doing a fox-trot; Roseanne D'Ascenzo of Farmington Hills and Holly Goepfer of St. Clair Shores, who competed as the only female couple, doing a jazz dance style; and Aaron Fugh and Loren Harper of Detroit, with a funk dance style. The couples will be flown to tape "Dance Fever" and appear during the new season starting in September.

### 63RD SEASON

Five productions have been announced for the 63rd season of the Birmingham Village Players. Neil Simon's bitter-sweet comedy, "Chapter Two," runs Sept. 28-29, Oct. 4-5; the musical "Gypsy," Nov. 22-24, 29-30 and Dec. 6-7; Mary Chase's classic comedy "Harvey," Feb. 1-2, 7-8; "The Heiress," suggested by the Henry James novel "Washington Square," March 21-23, 28-29; and "On Golden Pond," May 16-18, 23-24.

### OAKWAY SYMPHONY

Francesco DiBlasi will conduct "Music Under the Stars" at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 28, at Botsford Inn in Farmington Hills. The concert will feature John Cannon, young protegee pianist from Juilliard playing Ger-shwin's "Rhapsody in Blue," and Ernest Jones, guest conductor. Tickets at \$8 may be purchased at Madonna College and Hammell Music in Livonia, at Executive Office Supply in Farmington and the Botsford Inn. For ticket information, call 532-2444 or 476-8544.

### FILM SERIES

Detroit Film Theatre's 25th season of first-run, short-run and world classics will open Friday, Aug. 16, with the Detroit premiere of the 1984 Spanish comedy "What Have I Done to Deserve This?" in Spanish with English subtitles, the tale of the adventures of an oddball family in modern Madrid will be shown at 7 and 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 16-17, and 4 and 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 18, in the Detroit Institute of Arts auditorium. For information and Detroit Film Theatre's weekend movie listing, call 833-2750 during regular business hours.

### JAZZ PHOTOS

A series of photographs highlighting the Montreux-Detroit Jazz Festival will be displayed from Tuesday, Aug. 20, to Thursday, Sept. 12, in the Arcade of the Fisher Building in Detroit. The exhibition features pictures, posters and concert listings of events that have been part of the festival for the last five years. This year's event will be hosted in Detroit from Wednesday, Aug. 28, to Monday, Sept. 2.

### THEATER SEASON

The Greenfield Village Theatre Company's 1985 season of productions has been announced. Performances, with the exception of the holiday shows, will be at 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday at Henry Ford Museum at the Village in Dearborn. The schedule includes "George Washington Slept Here," Feb. 7 to March 23; "The Crucible," April 11 to May 17; "Belvedere," June 6-28 and July 11-

18; "Nothing But the Truth," Aug. 8 to Sept. 13, and "The Spider," Oct. 3 to Nov. 15. The 1986 Holiday Show will be "Babes in Toyland" by Victor Herbert.

### GOSPEL CONCERT

Detroit Coullman Nicholas Hood presents the 1985 "Gospel at the Hart" free concert from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Aug. 21-22, at Hart Plaza in downtown Detroit. Artists will be gospel amateurs, choirs and stars from Detroit. Performing will be Ester Smith, Moss Brothers, Commissioned, Michael Fletcher Chorus, Donald Vails Choraleers, Second Ebenezer Youth Chorus, Craig Brothers, Clarks Sicks, Winans and BeBe and CeCe Winans.

### SUMMER FESTIVAL

The Mahavishnu Orchestra, plus special guests Orange Lake Drive, will perform at 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 23, during the Chene Park Summer Arts Festival at Chene and Atwater on the river in downtown Detroit. Tickets at \$12.50 reserved and \$11 lawn are available at all Ticket World locations. For information about other events at the summer festival, which runs through Saturday, Aug. 31, call the Chene Park Event Hotline at 567-0990.

### SPECIAL DAYS

Annual contests that rate contestants' skills in baton twirling, pie eating, hog calling, Christmas tree decorating, whitening, bubble gum blowing, shoe shining and more are daily events to be held during the 1985 Michigan State Fair, which runs from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 23, through Monday, Sept. 2 (Labor Day) at the State Fairgrounds in Detroit. General admission price is \$4 for adults; children 11 and under are free when accompanied by an adult.

### MONTREUX DETROIT

Big Band Dancing featuring the Austin-Moro Big Band will be held from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 31, at the Renaissance Hotel during the Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival. Detroit Jams VI, with host Earl Klugh, will be held at 9:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 2, in the Renaissance Ballroom. For ticket information call 259-7749.

### LYRIC OPERA

Annual auditions for the newly formed Michigan Lyric Opera will be held from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday-Sunday, Aug. 17-18, at the Marquis Theatre in Northville. Three productions to be cast are an operetta revue, "The Mikado" and "Die Fledermaus" (in English). Chorus members also are needed. For further information, call 581-0207.

### BLACK UHURU

Grammy-Award-winning "Best Reggae Group" Black Uhuru will appear at 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 18, at the Michigan Theater in Ann Arbor. Featured is the rhythm section Sly Dunbar and Robbie Shakespeare. Reserved seats at \$11.50 and \$13.50 are available at the box office. Dial 99-MUSIC for 24-hour concert and club information about Prism Productions.

### 32ND SEASON

The Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford announces its 32nd season of production at the Theatre Guild Playhouse in Redford. The 1985-86 season will include "Talking With," a series of monologues, Oct. 11-25; "Baby," a musical, Nov. 23 to Dec. 8; "Extremities," a drama, Feb. 14 to March 1; and "Beyond Therapy," a comedy, April 18 to May 3.

Information for the Upcoming calendar may be submitted to Ethel Simmons, Entertainment Editor, Eccentric Newspapers. Mailing address is: P.O. Box 203, Birmingham 48012, or 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia 48150. Entertainment events should be open to the public. Preference is given to information about residents of, or events within, the circulation area of the 12 Observer & Eccentric newspapers.

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