

Lectures to cover music inspired by Shakespeare

The fall Opera Lecture Series by Jack DuBois will begin at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 17, in the dinner theater room, Somerset Mall, Big Beaver and Coolidge, Troy. It will continue through Nov. 21.

This year's series will cover music inspired by Shakespeare's dramas. Some of the works are "Romeo and Juliet," as treated by Tchaikovsky, Gounod, Berlioz and Prokofiev and three Shakespeare operas by Verdi.

Also to be explored are some of less famous, "King Lear," in versions by Berlioz and Raimann, the "Hamlet" of Ambrose Thomas and "The Tempest" which inspired incidental music by Sibelius and Tchaikovsky.

Background on each composer will be provided and the music will be illustrated by recordings.

The cost is \$50 for the series of six or \$10 per program, payable at the door. For information, call 882-2325.

Antique show announced

The Southfield Pavilion Antiques Exposition will be held from noon to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday and until 6 p.m. Sunday. Food and free, convenient parking are available.

The Pavilion is at the Southfield Civic Center between 10 and 11 Mile on Evergreen.

Orchestra features its own musicians

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra features two of its own when principal cellist Italo Babin and principal violinist Alexander Mishnaevsky are the soloists for the Detroit premiere of William Bolcom's Fantasia concertante for Viola, Cello and Orchestra. Music director Gumber Herbig will conduct at 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 6, and at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, at Ford Auditorium.

Bolcom, a professor of composition at the University of Michigan, is a composer and performer known for breaking barriers between popular and serious music.

He performs and writes ragtime music, and with his wife, singer Joan Morris, treats the great American song composers such as Gershwin, Porter and Kern with the same care given the masters of art song in Europe.

Bolcom wrote the fantasia for the 1985 Mozart Week in Salzburg. He chose an Italianate, operatic style of composition to evoke the feeling of Mozart, using Mozart's Sinfonia Concertante in E-flat Major as a model. Babin has held his position since 1960. He began his career as a



William Bolcom is a serious composer who also enjoys performing music on the lighter side with his wife, Joan Morris, mezzo-soprano.

youngster giving recitals in his native Brazil and South America. He was a student of the great cellist Pablo Casals and appeared as soloist at the Casals Festival and in recital

with Jesus Maria Sanroma. He is also an active soloist and recording artist and completed his last recording last summer with the London Philharmonic.

Mishnaevsky joined the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in 1984 after spending several years in New York as a chamber musician, recitalist and orchestral performer on both violin and viola. Mishnaevsky emigrated to the United States in 1973, after studying violin in his native Moscow.

At the suggestion of Isaac Stern, he took up the viola and studied with Stern and William Linzer and earned a degree in the instrument from the Juilliard School.

Also appearing with the orchestra as guest artist on this program is young East German pianist Peter Roesel. He gained international attention in 1983 when he was awarded the Silver Medal at the Schumann Competition in Zwickau. Roesel has done 30 albums on several labels. For these concerts, he will perform Prokofiev's Piano Concerto No. 2, a difficult and exciting work, which caused a furor at its premier in Moscow in 1912 because of its boldness and complexity. Completing the program is Tchaikovsky's well-loved Symphony No. 5. Pathelique. For tickets, call 567-1400.

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