

Art and Flowers: A festival of spring is scheduled for Tuesday-Sunday, April 11-16, at the Detroit Institute of Arts. The celebration, held for the first time in 1985, combines free showings of floral arrangements, demonstrations, and horticultural and gardening displays, with various admission events. A gala preview at 6 p.m. April 11 features a cocktail reception, music, first viewing of the celebrity invitational displays, and a fantasy auction. Tickets are \$35 each.

The second annual dinner dance theater, Mala Wisla Song and Dance Ensembles, will be presented with performance at 4 p.m. and dinner at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, April 23, at the Cherry Hill High School in Inkster. Costumes originally designed in Poland will be part of the authentic production. Dinner and show are \$12, \$11 for seniors, \$7 for children 5-9, under 5 free; show only is \$5. For more information, call 459-5696 or 427-7237.

Hairy-chested ballerinas, donning tutus and pointe shoes, will "trock" onto the stage of the Michigan Theater, to parody the high art of ballet when Les Ballets Trockadero De Monte Carlo's performs at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 6, in Ann Arbor. Box office hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mondays-Fridays and 12:30-4 p.m. Saturdays. To order tickets by phone, call 668-8397.

Bob Hope will give five performances Wednesday-Sunday, April 12-16, at Detroit's Fox Theatre. At age 85, Hope is busier than ever. Tickets at \$32.50, \$25, \$20 and \$10 may be purchased at the Fox Theatre box office, the Joe Louis Arena box office and all Ticketmaster outlets. To charge tickets by phone, call 423-6666.

The Musical Theatre Program of the University of Michigan School of Music will present Sheldon Harnick's



most recent work, the musical entitled "Dragons." Thursday-Sunday, April 13-16, at the Power Center in Ann Arbor. Harnick has written the lyrics, music and libretto for "Dragons." He has created the lyrics for some of the most popular musicals in the history of the American theater, including "Fiddler on the Roof," "Fiddler on the Roof" and the Pulitzer-Prize-winning "Fiorello! Tickets at \$10 and \$7, with student seating available at \$5, may be purchased at the League Ticket Office in the Michigan League Building. To charge tickets, call 784-0450.

● **CHEKHOV DRAMA**
 "The Three Sisters" by Anton Chekhov opens at 8 p.m. Friday, April

14, for a two-weekend run at the Bonstelle Theatre. Performances are at 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays, closing April 23, at the Bonstelle Theatre in Detroit. The residents in the cast are Katie Balash of Southfield and Missy Gibson of Birmingham as two of the three sisters and Jon Liebetrau of Birmingham in another lead role. For ticket information, call the Wayne State University Theatre box office at 577-2350.

● **FINAL WEEKS**
The Peanut Butter Players spring offering, "The Wind in the Willows" goes into the final weeks of its three-month run. Tickets are still available for Saturdays and Sundays in

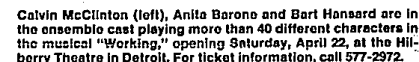
April, with the exception of April 9 which is sold out. The professional children's luncheon theater is presented Saturday-Sunday afternoons at the Karas House in Redford. A hot dog lunch is served at noon; show starts at 1 p.m. Total price including lunch is \$6 a person. For reservations call 559-6"PHP" between 6 a.m. and 5 p.m.

The Center for Creative Studies' Institute of Music and Dance in Detroit is adding a new jazz component to its curriculum. Private Jazz instruction will be offered, as will jazz keyboard skills classes and a jazz ensemble. Marvin "Doc" Holladay, a saxophonist and music educator, has been named director of the Jazz Studies Program. Many Detroit jazz artists studied under Holladay, who taught for many years at the University of Rochester's Hills Campus. Classes are scheduled to begin in April. Audition/placement interviews may be arranged by telephoning CCS. DMJ at 831-2870.

Theatre Arts Productions of Farmington Hills and the Van Dyke Park Hotel in Warren will present the musical "The Fantasticks," opening Saturday, April 8, and continuing every Saturday through April. Dinner begins at 7:30 p.m. and showtime is 9. For more information and reservations, call the hotel at 939-2860.

The Stephen Schwartz musical "Working," based on the book of the same name by Studs Terkel, officially opens at the Hilberry Theatre at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 22, following previews Thursday-Friday, April 20-21. Final production of the 1988-89 season, it plays in repertory with "The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail" through Saturday, May 20. For ticket information and reservations, call the Hilberry Theatre box office at Wayne State University in Detroit by phone 577-2972.

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Eclipse Jazz presents Women in Jazz, a four-part series highlighting the role that women have played in the history of jazz. Free events on the University of Michigan Ann Arbor campus include the following: 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 4 — Bess Bonnier: Kuenzel Room, Michigan Union; 8 p.m. Saturday, April 8 — Joanne Brackeen: Kuenzel Room, Michigan Union; 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 12 — Emily Remler: Trotter House, 1443 Washtenaw; 5 p.m. Sunday, April 16 — Straight Ahead: Tap Room, Michigan Union.

The Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees is sponsoring a Hawaiian Dinner-Dance at 6:30 p.m. Saturday

April 8, in the Waterman Campus Center, in Livonia. Tickets are \$20 per person. The exotic menu for the evening will be prepared by the college's culinary arts department. Entertainment will be provided by the Gigue Orchestra. Casual resort wear is the dress for the evening. For further information or reservations, call the college at 462-4460.

The Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford production of "I'm Not Rappaport" will open the weekend of Friday-Saturday, April 28-29, instead of April 14-15, due to a cast change. Performances will continue Fridays-Saturdays, May 5-6 and 12-13. Performances are at 8 p.m. For tickets at \$6 call 538-5678.

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