

Bolcom, Morris perform on April 30

Bolcom and Morris bring their kaleidoscopic repertoire of contemporary American music to The Birmingham Temple 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 30. The temple is at 28611 W. 12 Mile, between Inkster & Middlebelt in Farmington Hills. An afterglow with the performers will follow the concert. Tickets are \$11 general, \$10 seniors and students. Call 288-3953 or 647-4632 for information.

Expect to hear ragtime classics, favorites of Gershwin, Berlin, Porter, the latest songs by Leiber and Stoller, and Bolcom's own wonderfully witty compositions.

William Bolcom is a Pulitzer Prize-winning composer, and Joan Morris is a Grammy nomi-

nated mezzo-soprano. The two have concertized throughout the United States and Europe.

Here are some other concertgoers of note:

- The New Reformation Dixieland Band will present a free concert 3 p.m. Sunday, May 1 at First Baptist Church of Birmingham. The church is at 3000 Willis, one block north of Maple and one block west of Woodward. Admission is free, call 644-0550 for information.

The NRD Band, plays New Orleans blues sprinkled with Chicago-style tunes. They are famous for their musical excellence and sense of humor.

The performance is part of the Robert M. Critchfield Memorial Concert Series.

PREVIEW

■ Farmington Community Band will perform 3 p.m. Sunday, May 1, in the Harrison High School Auditorium, on 12 Mile Road between Middlebelt and Orchard Lake roads in Farmington Hills. The concert is free and homemade refreshments will be served. The concert will be repeated 8 p.m. Monday, May 2, at South Lyon High School. Call 476-5014 or 489-3412 for information.

This year's program titled "Musical Laughs," will feature Mike Deja from WJR Radio. Farmington senior citizens will be the honored guests at this concert.

■ Final in the series of "First

Sunday," Evensongs will be offered 5 p.m. Sunday, May 1 at Christ Church Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills, corner of Cranbrook and Lone Pine Roads. The 45-member, mixed voice choir will sing the music of the French baroque composer, Jean-Philippe Rameau. The canticles for Evening Prayer set by Felix Mendelssohn will also be performed. Call (810) 644-5210 for information.

■ In celebration of Chinese Cultural Month, the Lyric Chamber Ensemble honors the artistic contributions of Chinese-Americans by presenting violinist Chao-Liang Lin, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 1 at Orchestra Hall in Detroit. Call (810) 357-1111 for ticket information.

Chamber series presents concert

Chamber works by three outstanding composers are on the program for the final concert of the American Artists Series 24th season 7 p.m. Sunday, May 1, at Kingswood Auditorium on the Cranbrook campus.

To reach Kingswood Auditorium, use the new entrance to Cranbrook, 1221 N. Woodward (north of Lone Pine) Bloomfield Hills. Tickets are \$13.50; \$7.50 for

students. Call 851-5044.

The American Artists Series Chamber Players — Joann Freeman of Bloomfield Hills, artistic director, and five members of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra will perform Quintet for piano and string quartet by Amy Beach, Trio for piano, violin, and cello by Arno Babadjanian and Quintet for piano and string quartet by Johannes Brahms.

Gaelic League hosts open mike

On tap for 7 p.m. Thursday, April 28, is a Renegade Folk Production presenting an open mike, followed at 9 p.m. by selections from Celtic balladeer John Sullivan and The Spriggins, a group that performs traditional and

original music.

The session will be at the Gaelic League-Irish American Club, 2068 W. Michigan Ave. in Detroit, a few blocks west of Tiger Stadium. Admission is \$3; free if you take a turn at the microphone.

Local students cast in kid's musical

Nicole Lowery of Birmingham will appear as Kanga and David Eugene Baca of Westland will appear as Animal No. 1 in the Bonstelle Theatre's musical adaptation of the children's classic "Winnie-the-Pooh."

Lowery is a 1992 graduate of Birmingham Seaholm High School and a sophomore theater major at Wayne State University. Baca, a 1993 graduate of Divine Child High School in Dearborn, is a freshman theater major at WSU.

A.A. Milne has entertained children for many years with his delightful stories of a bear named Pooh and his friends: Piglet, Eeyore, Owl, Rabbit, Kanga and baby Roo.

Kristen Sergel has adapted Milne's stories for stage, and Alan Jay Friedman has added music to some of Milne's original lyrics to create a wonderful adventure.

In this tale Pooh, in his search for honey and marmalade, uses a balloon to fly up a tree and gets stuck in Rabbit's hole. Meanwhile, Kanga causes an uproar in the forest as her impending arrival strikes fear in the hearts of all residents, because news of her

bathtub, soap and medicine precedes her.

Kanga begins to wash Piglet daily and feed him healthy food and medicine, much to his dismay. Roo can only think of escaping from his mother and getting dirty. Finally, Pooh makes the ultimate sacrifice and offers to exchange himself for Piglet, especially when he finds out that the medicine is made of honey.

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