



Gingerbread fantasy

A genuine child-size Gingerbread House will grace the lobby of the Detroit Plaza Hotel beginning Saturday, Nov. 17. The house stands 4 feet tall and weighs more than 999 pounds. It is concocted with batches of gingerbread, loads of chocolate, multitudes of lollipops and dozens of cookies. The Gingerbread House is one of the many attractions in the "World of Christmas" on display at the Detroit Plaza in Renaissance Center.

Pearl Bailey at the Music Hall

Pearl Bailey, former ambassador to the United Nations and show business celebrity, is continuing a week's engagement through Sunday at Detroit's Music Hall.

Pearlie May, as she is affectionately called, has reached the level of show business royalty accorded such stars as Bob Hope and Frank Sinatra. She has been a guest many times at the White House was named "Woman of Valor" by the Jewish Hadassah and at the same time has been officially praised by the Arab countries of Jordan, Egypt and Iran.

She was also named a special advisor to the U.S. Mission at the United Nations by President Ford.

In the entertainment business, her accolades started in the '40s at night clubs such as New

York's Blue Angel; progressed in the '50s with movies such as "Carmen Jones"; and climaxed in the '60s with a special Tony Award for the Broadway show, "Hello, Dolly!"

At the Music Hall, she will be joined by her husband and musical director, Louis Bellson, and a 25-piece orchestra. Shows are at 8:30 p.m., Tuesday-Friday; 7 and 10 p.m., Saturday; and 2 and 6:30 p.m., Sunday.

Tickets can be purchased at the Music Hall box office at 350 Madison, or by calling 963-7680 between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday-Friday, and using a Master Charge or VISA charge number.

Group rates can be obtained by calling Joan Heidt at 963-7622.

Troupe performing 'The Little Tiger'

Marcinek, internationally acclaimed puppet and actor theater from Poznan, Poland, will appear in "The Little Tiger" for two performances only, on Tuesday, Nov. 20, in the Detroit Institute of Arts auditorium.

Performances will take place at 10 a.m. for school groups and at 7:30 p.m. for families. Tickets are available through the Art Institute ticket office, 832-2730.

Employing Marcinek's "contrastive media" technique, both actors and string and hand puppets will be featured in the hour-long musical with English narrative.

Written by H. Januszewska, "The Little Tiger" tells the story of a young tiger who, much like the Cowardly Lion of "The Wizard of Oz," finds his

courage when challenged. The evening performance will be followed by a period of conversation between the performers and the audience.

One of the pioneer Polish puppet companies, Marcinek first gave performances in 1945 primarily for young children and later extended its repertoire for high school students.

While this is its premiere American tour, the company has, in previous years, appeared before family and school audiences in Cuba and Mexico. Next spring, Marcinek will perform for the 1980 International Festival of Puppetry in the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington.

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