

'Robot' stars Shields & Yarnell perform



Shields & Yarnell arrive Feb. 26 at Detroit's Music Hall Center

Winding up the 1979-80 Family Series is the husband-and-wife mime team of Shields & Yarnell. Recognized by their trademark "robot" routines, Shields & Yarnell will present eight shows from Feb. 26 through March 2 at Detroit's Music Hall Center.

Robert Shields studied mime as early as high school while Lorene Yarnell developed her talents as a dancer. Together their success has been capped with an Emmy award, AGVA "Georgies" for "Rising Star of the Year" and "Special Attraction of the Year" (1979), and a "Las Vegas Entertainer of the Year Award" (1978).

Recently, Shields & Yarnell were a smash hit when they toured China with Bob Hope. Their versatile act of comedy, music and dancing has appeared on more than 100 national network television shows including their own CBS television series, "The Shields & Yarnell Show."

THEY HAVE headlined at Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas, the Sahara Tahoe and the Commodore Hotel in Miami. During England's Prince Charles' visit in 1977, they appeared at a command performance in Los Angeles. Sharing Music Hall's stage with Shields & Yarnell is ventriloquist-comedian Willis Tyler and his friend Lester.

Music Hall performances of Shields & Yarnell run Tuesdays-Saturdays 8 p.m., and Sundays at 6:30 p.m. Matinees are Saturdays and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets are available at the Music Hall box office, 350 Madison, Detroit, or by calling 963-7880, Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Group rates are available by calling Joan Heidt at 963-7622.



Willie Tyler & Lester also are on the bill at the Music Hall.

'Detective Story' opening run at Bonstelle Theatre

"Detective Story," a drama by American playwright Sidney Kingsley, will open at 8:30 p.m. on March 7 at Detroit's Bonstelle Theatre for a two-weekend run. Performances are scheduled for Fridays and Saturdays at 8:30 p.m., with Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. through March 16.

"Detective Story" depicts the events in a New York police precinct headquarters during a single day. The main story deals with Jim McCleod, an overzealous police detective whose adherence to a prescribed morality proves troublesome to him in both his professional and personal life.

The plot also follows the stories of



the many people from all walks of life who arrive at the police station for various reasons and whose stories add humor and reality to the play.

In "Detective Story" Kingsley creates naturalistic situations and characters within a framework which today may be regarded as a documentary-like look at the problems of the post-war era in America.

"DETECTIVE STORY" is directed by Martin Molson, with costumes by Marilyn Renaud, settings by Ed Krus and lighting by George DeBussey. Heading the cast are Richard Warren (Uhrichville, Ohio) and Mary Eldridge (Wayne) as Detective and Mary

McCleod, Jennifer Roberts (Farmington Hills), David A. Preuss (Brighton), and Gary Righettini (Dearborn Heights). Also in the cast are Ben E. Dean (Lynchburg, Va.), Dale M. Franks (Detroit), Robert Stormont (Farmington),

Alan Ribant (Detroit) and Maureen Remisiewicz (Taylor).

Tickets and information about "Detective Story" are available from the Wayne State University Theatre box office at Cass and Hancock, Detroit 48202, telephone 577-2972. Tickets also are available through Hudson's and most area colleges and universities.

Menu celebrates Mardi Gras

Two special New Orleans items have been added to the dinner menu served 5:30, to 10 p.m. Monday at the Eden Glen in Troy. The restaurant's Mardi Gras celebration will end Tuesday with a buffet served 6-10 p.m. Patrons are encouraged to come in costume.

Truffaut film shown

Comedy laced with realistic drama characterizes the Cranbrook P.M./Encore Cinema film "Small Change" to be shown at 8 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Feb. 25-26, in the Cranbrook Institute of Science auditorium, 500 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills.

Francois Truffaut, who directed the 1976 film, worked with non-actors to construct a vision of childhood steeped in both trauma and hilarity.

Following the showing, Cranbrook School English teacher Jeff Welch will discuss the entertaining aspects of the film.

Tickets, available at the door, include the film and its commentary, an open discussion, program notes and gourmet dessert and coffee to be served at 7:30 p.m.

Cranbrook P.M. presents twice a year a series of educational, practical and recreational courses at Cranbrook and Kingswood schools. Proceeds go to the schools' general scholarship funds. Cranbrook School for boys and Kingswood School for girls are independent day and boarding schools for students in grades seven-12. With the elementary Brookside School, they comprise Cranbrook Schools, a division of Cranbrook Educational Community.

Will-O-Way play continues

"Inherit the Wind," dramatic masterpiece by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee, continues through March 1 at Will-O-Way Apprentice Theatre in Bloomfield Township.

Performances will be presented Friday-Sunday and Feb. 29 and March 1. Curtain time is 8:30 p.m. except for Sunday, a matinee performance at 3 p.m.

"Inherit the Wind" is based on the "Monkey Trial" of 1925, in Dayton, Tenn., between William Jennings Bryant and Clarence Darrow.

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