The University Musical Society

The University of Michigan

Presents

THE MARTHA GRAHAM DANCE COMPANY

BERTRAM ROSS HELEN McGEHEE ROBERT POWELL

RICHARD GAIN
TAKAKO ASAKAWA
JUDITH HOGAN
YURIKO KIMURA
JUDITH LEIFER
HUGH APPET

RICHARD KUCH
PHYLLIS GUTELIUS
DIANE GRAY
DAWN SUZUKI
LAR ROBERSON
DAVID HATCH WALKER

Conductor: Eugene Lester
Settings: Isamu Noguchi, Philip Stapp
Lighting: Jean Rosenthal, William H. Batchelder
Rehearsal Director: Patricia Birch
Company Co-Director: Bertram Ross
Production Manager: William H. Batchelder
Costume Supervision: Ursula Reed

Chamber Ensemble: Stanley Sussman, Piano; Katherine Hoover, Flute; Robert Fisher, Oboe; Jerome Bunke, Clarinet; Ronald Grun, Bassoon; Carol Barnett, French Horn; Michael Aaronson, Percussion

Produced by LEROY LEATHERMAN

Monday Evening, October 26, 1970, at 8:30 Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor, Michigan

The Company is being presented in co-operation with The Martha Graham Center of Contemporary Dance, Inc., and by arrangement with Harold Shaw.

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EL PENITENTE

Music, Louis Horst
Set, Isamu Noguchi
Lighting, Jean Rosenthal
Choreography, Martha Graham

The Penitents of the Southwest believe in purification from sin through severe penance. Even today, in both Old and New Mexico, the sect practices its ancient rites, including the crucifixion. "El Penitente" bears no factual relationship to these practices but is done rather as a story told after the manner of the old minstrels. The three figures enter, assume their characters and perform as a group of players acting in a Mystery Play. The action is divided by a return to the entrance theme. The Festival Dance at the end is a version of a popular dance of celebration with none of the ritualistic content of the preceding scenes.

THE CHARACTERS

Penitent							×				BERTRAM	Ross
Christ Fig	ure										RICHARD	Кисн
Marv as:	Virg	in.	Mag	dale	n. I	Moth	ier			P	HYLLIS GU	PELITIS

THE ACTION

Entrance of Performers

Flagellation of Penitent

Vision of Penitent

The Virgin pleads

The Christ blesses

Death cart
(The Death cart is a symbol of sin)

Seduction

The Magdalen seduces the Penitent

The Fall of Man

The Christ condemns

The Penitent bears the cross on his back

The Crucifixion—the Penitent atones and wins absolution

The Festival Dance

CAVE OF THE HEART

Music, Samuel Barber Set, ISAMU NOGUCHI Lighting, JEAN ROSENTHAL Choreography, MARTHA GRAHAM

In Greek mythology, Medea was the Princess of Colchis and renowned as a sorceress. She fled from her home with the hero, Jason, to Corinth and lived with him there and bore his children. But Jason was ambitious and when he was offered the hand of the Princess of Corinth in marriage he abandoned Medea. Maddened by jealousy, Medea sent the Princess as a wedding gift a poisoned crown which killed her when she put it on. Then Medea destroyed her own children and left Corinth in a chariot drawn by dragons.

"Cave of the Heart" is Martha Graham's dramatization of this myth. The action is focussed directly upon the central theme of the myth-the terrible destructiveness of jealousy and of alliance with the dark powers of humanity as symbolized by magic.

THE CHARACTERS

Medea					,		9		,	HELEN	McGehee
Jason						i.				. Rici	HARD GAIN
The Pr	ince	SS								TAKAKO	ASAKAWA
The Ch	oru.	S								. D	IANE GRAY

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Electronic Score, WALTER CALDON Lighting, WILLIAM H. BATCHELDER Costumes, BERTRAM Ross Choreography, BERTRAM Ross

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