The University Musical Society

The University of Michigan

Presents

The Alvin Ailey City Center Dance Theater

ALVIN AILEY, Artistic Director

CHARLES ADAMS — NERISSA BARNES — ENID BRITTEN — MASAZUMI CHAYA

ULYSSES DOVE — JUDITH JAMISON — MELVIN JONES — MARI KAJIWARA

LINDA KENT — BERNARD LIAS — JODI MOCCIA — MICHIHIKO OKA

KENNETH PEARL — CYNTHIA PENN — KELVIN ROTARDIER — BETH SHORTER

WARREN SPEARS — ESTELLE SPURLOCK — CLIVE THOMPSON — SYLVIA WATERS

ELBERT WATSON — DUDLEY WILLIAMS — DONNA WOOD — PETER WOODIN

SARA YARBOROUGH — TINA YUAN

ALI POURFARROKH, Associate Artistic Director and Ballet Master

Dudley Williams, Assistant Ballet Master

Ivy Clarke, General Manager

SUNDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 20, 1974, AT 3:00 POWER CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

HIDDEN RITES

Music by Patrice Sciortino ("Les Cyclopes")

Choreography by Alvin Ailey

Costumes by Bea Feitler

Lighting by Chenault Spence

Incantation Sara Yarborough, Ulysses Dove
Spirits Known and Unknown The Company
Spirits Descending Kenneth Pearl
Of Women Linda Kent, Sylvia Waters, Estelle Spurlock, Donna Wood, Nerissa Barnes, Jodi Moccia
Of Men Masazumi Chaya, Michihiko Oka, Melvin Jones, Elbert Watson, Peter Woodin
Of Love SARA YARBOROUGH, ULYSSES DOVE, TINA YUAN, CLIVE THOMPSON
Of Celebration and Death
Spirits Ascending

INTERMISSION

FEAST OF ASHES

Inspired by Federico Garcia Lorca's The House of Bernarda Alba

Music by Carlos Surinach*
Choreography by Alvin Ailey
Staged by Karina Rieger

Lighting by Thomas Skelton Costumes by Jac Venza Decor by Milton Duke

"Those eyes of mine did not see the dead being buried nor the feast of ashes of someone weeping in the dawn, nor the heart that trembled, trapped in a hole like a sea horse..."—Federico Garcia Lorca

Out of an era of dogma and religious mysticism comes a theme of starcrossed lovers and matriarchal domination leading to violence. Lorca's drama tells of Bernarda Alba's domination of her daughters, of her youngest daughter's love for Pepe El Romano, an eligible young man of the village already promised to Angustias, the older daughter. The young lovers meet in defiance of this planned marriage.

Bernarda Alba, The Matriarch JUDITH JAMISON
Adela, Her Youngest Daughter SARA YARBOROUGH
Angustias, Her Oldest Daughter Donna Wood
Her Other Daughters Nerissa Barnes, Beth Shorter, Enid Britten
Pepe, A Young Man
Senor Muerte, His Uncle Kelvin Rotardier
The Monk
Men of the Village Michihiko Oka, Masazumi Chaya, Charles Adams, Elbert Watson, Melvin Jones, Warren Spears
Women of the Street Mari Kajiwara, Jodi Moccia, Estelle Spurlock

^{*} By arrangement with Associated Music Publishers, Inc. and Broude Brothers

NOCTURNE

(Part I from "Three Dances to Floyd")

Choreography and Costumes by John Jones Music by Yusef Lateef ("Opus I" and "Sunset") Decor by James Richards Lighting by Chenault Spence DUDLEY WILLIAMS

REVELATIONS

Music: Traditional Choreography by Alvin Ailey Decor and Costumes by VES HARPER Lighting by Nicola Cernovitch

(All arrangements by Howard Roberts unless otherwise noted)

"This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine."

This suite explores motivations and emotions of American Negro religious music which, like its heir the blues, takes many forms—true spirituals with their sustained melodies, song-sermons, gospel songs and holy blues-songs of trouble, of love, of deliverance.

"Spirituals sing of woe triumphantly, knowing well that all rivers will be crossed and the Promised Land is just beyond the stream. The Spirituals ask no pity for their words ride on the strongest of melodies, the melody of faith. That is why there is joy in their singing, peace in their music, and strength in their soul."

-Langston Hughes

. THE COMPANY

PILGRIM OF SORROW

I Been Buked The Company
Arranged by Hall Johnson
Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel KELVIN ROTARDIER, LINDA KENT,
Arranged by James Miller Mari Kajiwara
Fix Me Jesus Sara Yarborough, Clive Thompson
Arranged by Hall Johnson
TAKE ME TO THE WATER
Processional Masazumi Chaya, Tina Yuan, Peter Woodin, Elbert Watson
Wading in the Water Sylvia Waters, Melvin Jones, Judith Jamison "Wading in the Water" sequence by Ella Jenkins. "A Man Went Down to the River" is an original composition by Ella Jenkins.
I Want to Be Ready Dudley Williams
Arranged by James Miller
MOVE, MEMBERS, MOVE
Sinner Man Kenneth Pearl, Michihiko Oka, Ulysses Dove
The Day is Past and Gone The Company
You May Run Home The Company

Arranged by Brother John Sellers and Howard Roberts

Rocka My Soul in the Bosom of Abraham .

In collaboration with the University's Dance Program of the School of Music, these three dance concerts and two master classes constitute a half-week dance residency project, receiving support from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Michigan Council for the Arts. It is the first of three dance residencies in the 1974–75 season under the sponsorship of the University Musical Society, and continues with the Pennsylvania Ballet, October 26 and 27, and the Paul Taylor Dance Company, March 12.

INTERNATIONAL PRESENTATIONS-1974-75

GREGG SMITH SINGERS
Andre Watts, <i>Pianist</i> Wednesday, November 6 (Rescheduled from October 16)
NATIONAL CHINESE OPERA THEATRE Sunday, November 10
CLEVELAND STRING QUARTET Wednesday, November 13
Carlos Montoya, Guitarist Tuesday, November 19
Soviet Georgian Dancers and
TBILISI POLYPHONIC CHOIR Sunday, November 24
Juilliard String Quartet Tuesday, December 3
Handel's Messiah Friday, Saturday, Sunday, December 6, 7 & 8
Guarneri String Quartet and Gary Graffman, Pianist . Wednesday, January 8
Marcel Marceau, Pantominist Friday, Saturday, Sunday, January 10, 11 & 12
Detroit Symphony Orchestra Saturday, January 11
Syntagma Musicum from Amsterdam Thursday, January 23
Tokyo String Quartet Sunday, February 2
American Symphony Orchestra Sunday, February 9
Moscow Chamber Orchestra Tuesday, February 11
GOLDOVSKY GRAND OPERA THEATER Thursday, February 13
JEAN-PIERRE RAMPAL, Flutist, AND ROBERT VEYRON-LA CROIX, Keyboard Tuesday, February 18
HARKNESS BALLET Thursday, February 20
CHHAU, MASKED DANCE OF BENGAL Saturday, February 22
Moscow Balalaika Ensemble and Ludmila Zykina . Monday, February 24
Paul Taylor Dance Company Wednesday, March 12