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Presents

Eliot Feld Ballet

HELEN DOUGLAS Mona Elgh ELIOT FELD MICHAELA HUGHES BRIAN JAMESON KATE JOHNSON CHARLES KENNEDY REMUS MARCU EDMUND LAFOSSE BARRY LEON LINDA MILLER GREGORY MITCHELL George Montalbano ELIZABETH NESI CHRISTINE SARRY JEFF SATINOFF GWYNN TAYLOR MARY RANDOLPH

PETER LONGIARU, Pianist

JOHN H. PAULL III, Production Stage Manager

CORA CAHAN, Administrator

Wednesday Evening, February 22, 1978, at 8:00 Power Center for the Performing Arts Ann Arbor, Michigan

PROGRAM

HARBINGER (1967)

Choreography by Eliot Feld
Music by Serge Prokofieff
(Concerto #5 for Piano and Orchestra)

Costumes by Stanley Simmons Lighting by Thomas Skelton

I JEFF SATINOFF

Helen Douglas, Mona Elgh, Kate Johnson, Elizabeth Nesi, Mary Randolph, Gwynn Taylor

II CHRISTINE SARRY, GREGORY MITCHELL

III HELEN DOUGLAS, GEORGE MONTALBANO

Mona Elgh, Kate Johnson, Mary Randolph, Gwynn Taylor, Brian Jameson, Charles Kennedy, Remus Marcu IV ELIZABETH NESI, GREGORY MITCHELL, JEFF SATINOFF

Helen Douglas, Mona Elgh, Elizabeth Nesi, Mary Randolph, Christine Sarry, Gwynn Taylor Brian Jameson, Charles Kennedy, Remus Marcu, Gregory Mitchell, George Montalbano, Jeff Satinoff

(Pause)

SANTE FE SAGA (1977)

Choreography by Eliot Feld Music by Morton Gould

Costumes by WILLA KIM Lighting by Tom Skelton

Danced by EDMUND LAFOSSE

INTERMISSION

THE CONSORT (1970)

Choreography by Eliot Feld Music by Dowland, Morley, Neusidler and anonymous composers

Arranged and Conducted by MICHAEL JAFFEE Lighting by THOMAS SKELTON Costumes executed by MILO MORROW and GARY JONES

MICHAELA HUGHES

LINDA MILLER

ELIZABETH NESI Mona Elgh

MARY RANDOLPH

GWYNN TAYLOR BRIAN JAMESON

CHARLES KENNEDY

GEORGE MONTALBANO

Remus Marcu

JEFF SATINOFF

BARRY LEON

INTERMISSION

A FOOTSTEP OF AIR (1977)

Choreography by Eliot Feld Music by Ludwig van Beethoven (Irish and Scottish Folk Songs)

Orchestration by Sol Berkowitz Costumes by WILLA KIM Lighting by Thomas Skelton

CHRISTINE SARRY JEFF SATINOFF MICHAELA HUGHES GREGORY MITCHELL EDMUND LAFOSSE ELIOT FELD

Mona Elgh, Kate Johnson, Elizabeth Nesi, Mary Randolph, Gwynn Taylor, Brian Jameson, Charles Kennedy, Barry Leon, Remus Marcu

Musical Note: Most of Beethoven's folk song arrangements, which number more than one hundred-seventy all told, were commissioned by George Thomson (1757–1839), for many years secretary to the "Board for the Encouragement of Arts and Manufactures in Scotland," who saw it as his life's work to collect Scottish, Irish and Welsh folk songs. He enlisted the aid of distinguished poets (Burns, Lord Byron, Hogg, Scott) and well known composers (Haydn, Koseluh, Pleyel and Beethoven). Beethoven accepted this work from 1809 until 1823 in order to improve his financial position. In view of the simplicity of existing melodies, Beethoven was careful to keep as much variety to the ritornelli and accompaniments. Thus he often took a potent motive from the melody and developed it to both the prelude and postlude to a song. Sometimes he illustrated the meaning of the words with melodic figures of symbolic significance. These songs were originally scored for violin, cello, and piano. The company is dancing to a special orchestration by Sol Berkowitz for chamber orchestra.

SONGS

Ye Shepherds of This Pleasant Vale Music, Love and Wine Behold My Love How Green the Groves The Pulse of an Irishman Peggy's Daughter Put Round the Bright Wine Could This Ill World Have Been Contrived Sally in Our Alley Duncan Grey Charlie is My Darling Come Fill, Fill My Good Fellow Since Greybeards Inform Us That Youth Will Decay

About the Company

Organized in 1973, the Eliot Feld Ballet serves as the resident dance company of the New York Shakespeare Festival, and toured Mexico, Central and South America as the United States' official cultural presentation in Latin America during the Bicentennial year. It has also performed for network television in the "Live at Wolf Trap" series, and in the Public Broadcasting Service project, "Dance for Camera." The company's studio and headquarters are located on lower Broadway in New York City, as is its New Ballet School, where free classes will be offered to New York City school children.

Acclaimed as "the most talented classic choreographer of his generation anywhere in the world," Eliot Feld is a native of Brooklyn who joined the Broadway cast of West Side Story at age sixteen and appeared as Baby-John in the film version. He danced on the Gary Moore and Ed Sullivan television shows, and appeared on Broadway in I Can Get It For You Wholesale and Fiddler on the Roof. A former member of the American Ballet Theater and the American Ballet Company, he has choreographed twenty-five ballets since 1967 for companies such as the Royal Danish Ballet, the Joffrey Ballet, the National Ballet of Canada, the Royal Swedish Ballet, and the Royal Winnipeg Ballet.

The Eliot Feld Ballet's visit to Ann Arbor this week comprises a half-week dance residency including three concert performances and a master class in the University Dance Department, with support from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Michigan Council for the Arts.

The activities of the Eliot Feld Ballet have been made possible in part by The Rockefeller Foundation, The Shubert Foundation, The Mellon Foundation, and with public funds from the New York State Council on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.

This is an Encore Company Club night

Encore is the membership organization of the Musical Society. Members of the new Company Club are community-oriented businesses whose generous support helps bridge the gap between ticket revenue and the ever-increasing cost of presenting the performing arts. Ten performances are designated this season to honor them and their employees.

Tonight we especially recognize the newest member of Encore Company Club:

F. Jos. Lamb Company of Warren, Michigan

Philippe Entremont, Pianist

(replacing Lazar Berman, originally scheduled last November)

Saturday, April 1, at 8:30 in Hill Auditorium

BACH: Partita No. 1 in B-flat major

BEETHOVEN: Sonata in D major, Op. 28 ("Pastorale") Chopin: Nocturne in D-flat, Op. 27, No. 2; Scherzo No. 2

RAVEL: Sonatine; Gaspard de la nuit

All tickets for the Berman recital will be honored on April 1; additional tickets are available from \$4 to \$10.

REMAINING EVENTS

| Carlos Montoya, Guitarist Thursday, February 23 |
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| Aleksander Slobodyanik, Pianist Saturday, February 25 |
| THOVIL, SRI LANKA Wednesday, March 1 |
| BALTIMORE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA/COMISSIONA Sunday, March 19 |
| Nikolais Dance Theatre Tuesday & Wednesday |
| March 21 & 22 |
| KYUNG-WHA CHUNG, Violinist Thursday, March 23 |
| ORPHEUS CHAMBER ENSEMBLE/FESTIVAL CHORUS Saturday, March 25 |
| QAWWALI MUSIC FROM PAKISTAN Tuesday, March 28 (replacing Okinawan Dancers). |
| PHILIPPE Entremont, Pianist Saturday, April 1 |
| Amadeus String Quartet Thursday, April 6 |
| BAVARIAN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA/KUBELIK Saturday, April 8 |
| Mahler: Symphony No. 9 in D major |
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