



## THE UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

# The Romanian Folk Festival "Maramuresul"

NICU MOLDOVAN, Director ALEXANDRU VIMAN, Conductor VALERIU BUCIU, Choreographer

Angela Buciu and Nicu Moldovan, Vocal Soloists

Dimitru Dobrican, Shepherd's Pipe, Ocarina, Pipes-of-Pan,
Taragot, Little Whistles

Gheorghe Costache, Accordion

Vasile Seras and Gheorghe Soponaru, Trumpet, Violins
Gavril Martocean, Cembalon

The "Maramuresul" Popular Orchestra and
The "Maramuresul" Ensemble of Dancers

Wednesday Evening, December 2, 1981, at 8:00 Power Center for the Performing Arts Ann Arbor, Michigan

#### PROGRAM

# Suite of Popular Melodies from the Maramures region of Transylvania The Orchestra

#### Dances of the Maramures

These dances are from the lovely picturesque mountains of Transylvania in the northwest of Romania. The dances and colorful native costumes are traditional throughout that region. The constant change of moods and rhythmic variations show a wide scope of the beauty and vitality of the country.

Instrumental Solos on the Shepherd's Pipe, the Ocarina, and the Little Whistles DIMITRU DOBRICAN, Soloist, with The Orchestra

#### Suite of Dances from Salaj

Although more mountainous than the hills of Transylvania, this region is also in northern Romania. The people of Salaj are of quite a different character, combining the ancient folklore with the more contemporary, showing the astonishing variety from other parts of Romania as well.

#### Suite of Melodies from Banat

Banat borders on both Yugoslavia and Hungary so it is not unusual that characteristics from both of these neighboring countries can be heard in these beautiful songs—both pensive and jubilant.

ANGELA BUCIU, Vocalist, and The Orchestra

#### Suite of Dances from Banat

The complexities of these dances and the intricate costumes again combine the best of *three* worlds—Hungary, Yugoslavia and Romania! The rhythmic drive of the beat is in constant change, as is the life of the people of this southwest region.

"Hora" and "Sirba" Songs

GAVRIL MARTOCEAN, Cembalon Soloist

#### "Fecioreasca" Dance from Crihalma

The girls of southern Transylvania show that beneath their gentle and graceful exterior, hides unexpected resources of vigor and passion!

#### "Calusarii"

A great popular dance in which the village men perform some of the most intricate dance steps. It is an athletic demonstration of their male prowess and sheer zest for life. The girls of "Fecioreasca" soon join their neighbors from southern Romania in this very special holiday dance.

#### INTERMISSION

Suite of Popular Melodies from Transylvania

The Orchestra

#### Suite of Dances from the Mures Riverside

The Mures region is particularly known for the infinite variety of its choreography. These dances of the valley are a study in contrasts and styles.

Popular Songs of Romania

NICU MOLDOVAN, Soloist

Melodies from Bihor

VASILE SERAS and GHEORGHE SOPONARU, Trumpet-Violin Soloists

Suite of Dances from the Somes

These dances, again from northwest Romania, range from the most simple to the most complex, climaxing in a finale of great virtuosity with an energetic display of the male prowess.

Popular Melodies

GHEORGHE COSTACHE, Accordion Soloist

Vocal Duo of Traditional Melodies

ANGELA BUCIU and NICU MOLDOVAN

Wedding in Oas

The dancers and the folk-music band join together for this delightful ceremonial dance portraying a local wedding from northwest Romania.

Popular Melodies

DIMITRU DOBRICAN, Pipes-of-Pan and the Taragot

"Ciocirlia" (The Skylark)

One of Romania's most popular native songs, and the theme of Enesco's Romanian Rhapsody No. 1.

The Orchestra

Suite of Dances from Oltenia

The Grand Finale presenting a true picture of the Romanian folk culture.

Dancers, Soloists, and The Orchestra

#### "Maramuresul"

Surrounded by the Transylvania Alps and the Carpathian mountains of Romania lies the valley of the Maramures, with a folk culture famous throughout the world. The musical and choreographic folklore of the area have been transmitted through many generations of a vigorous people with a fierce pride in their arts and traditions. From this region comes the acclaimed "Maramuresul" ensemble, whose individual members have received an impressive array of awards, with the honor of "Laureate" given to many of its artists. The Romanian Folk Festival "Maramuresul" has shared this folk legacy with audiences in Poland, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Czechoslovakia, East and West Germany, England, France, Holland, Morocco, Algeria, Korea, the Sudan, the Soviet Union, Mongolia, and China. The ensemble is currently on its debut tour of America.

#### **Coming Events**

HANDEL'S "MESSIAH" FriSun. Dec. 4-6
Choral Union and U-M Orchestra, DONALD BRYANT, conductor;
Soloists: Susan Belling, Melanie Sonnenberg, Joseph Evans,
MICHAEL BURT, and BEJUN MEHTA, boy soprano.
VIENNA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA & PHILIPPE ENTREMONT Tues. Dec. 8
All-Mozart: Divertimento in D, K. 136; Piano Concerto No. 9, K. 271; Symphony No. 29, K. 201.
CONCERTO SOLOISTS OF PHILADELPHIA Sat. Dec. 12
Haydn: Horn Concerti, Nos. 1 and 2, Hermann Baumann, French horn;
K. P. E. Bach: Sinfonia No. 5; Respighi: Ancient Airs and Dances (Suite No. 3);
Britten: Simply Symphony for Strings.
PITTSBURGH BALLET, TCHAIKOVSKY'S "NUTCRACKER". FriSun. Dec. 18-20
ANDRÉ WATTS, Pianist, and CHARLES TREGER, Violinist Sun. Jan. 10
Sonatas of Beethoven, Prokofiev, Debussy, and Franck.
JUPPRET II DANCERS
JOFFREY II DANCERS Fri. & Sat. Jan. 15, 16  JANET BAKER, Mezzo-soprano Sun. Jan. 17  OAKLAND BALLET COMPANY MonWed. Jan. 25-27
OAKLAND BALLET COMPANY
ANTHONY DI BONAVENTURA, <i>Pianist</i> (free admission) Fri. Jan. 29 World première—Alberto Ginastera's Piano Sonata No. 2
Sofia Philharmonic Orchestra Thurs. Feb. 4
CARLOS MONTOYA, Guitarist Sat. Feb. 6
Obbueuc Chamber Encember Sun Ech 7
CAMPIEUS CHAMBER ENSEMBLE
ORPHEUS CHAMBER ENSEMBLE
VERSAILLES CHAMBER ORCHESTRA 1018. FCD. 10
PARTICULAR DANCE COMPANY
DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Fri. Mar. 5
ERICH BERGEL, Conductor; RADU LUPU, Pianist
Heinz Holliger, Oboist  Marcel Marceau, Mime  Jury's Irish Cabaret  Tues. Mar. 16  Peter Serkin, Pianist  Tokyo String Quartet  Maurizio Pollini, Pianist  Tende Josep Color Pianist  Thurs.—Sat. Mar. 11–13  Thurs. Mar. 16  Sat. Mar. 20  Maurizio Pollini, Pianist  Tende Josep Color Pianist  The Mar. 24
Marcel Marceau, Mime
JURY'S IRISH CABARET 10es. Mar. 16
PETER SERKIN, Planist
TOKYO STRING QUARTET Sat. Mar. 20
MAURIZIO POLLINI, Pianist Wed. Mar. 24
TEDD JUSELSON, Flantst Inits Anr 1
FACULTY ARTISTS CONCERT (free admission) Sun. Apr. 4
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### May Festival, 1982 Wednesday-Saturday, April 28, 29, 30, May 1, in Hill Auditorium

THE PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA
THE UNIVERSITY CHORAL UNION
EUGENE ORMANDY and ALDO CECCATO, Conductors

Programs and artists to be announced next week; series ticket orders accepted beginning December 7.

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