The University Musical Society The University of Michigan

Presents

The Alvin Ailey City Center Dance Theater

ALVIN AILEY, Artistic Director

JUDITH JAMISON MARI KAJIWARA LINDA KENT ESTELLE SPURLOCK SYLVIA WATERS SARA YARBOROUGH TINA YUAN

MASAZUMI CHAYA CLOVER MATHIS HECTOR MERCADO MICHIHIKO OKA JOHN PARKS KENNETH PEARL FREDDY ROMERO KELVIN ROTARDIER CLIVE THOMPSON DUDLEY WILLIAMS

> NERISSA BARNES MELVIN JONES CHRISTA MUELLER Dana Sapiro Donna Wood Dennis Plunkett

Ballet Mistress, FIORELLA KEANE Ballet Master, DUDLEY WILLIAMS General Manager, IVY CLARK

FRIDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 2, 1973, AT 8:00 Power Center for the Performing Arts Ann Arbor, Michigan

THE KINETIC MOLPAI

Choreography by TED SHAWN Music by JESS MEEKER Re-staged by Barton Mumaw

The Molpe is to utter in dance that for which no language exists. In ancient Greece "there were Molpai for sowing and harvest, for rain and for sun, for fertility in man, beast and fruit; for the aversion of pestilence and for most of the things that people pray for."

The themes consist of: Strife, Oppositions, Solvent, Dynamic Contrasts, Resilience, Successions, Folding and Unfolding, Dirge, Limbo, Surge, and Apotheosis.

CLIVE THOMPSON

DUDLEY WILLIAMS	FREDDY ROMERO	HECTOR MERCADO	KENNETH PEARL
CLOVER MATHIS	Міснініко Ока	Masazumi Chaya	Dennis Plunkett

INTERMISSION

THE LARK ASCENDING

Music by RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS ("The Lark Ascending" Romance for Violin and Orchestra)* Choreography by ALVIN AILEY Costumes by BEA FEITLER Lighting by CHENAULT SPENCE

> SARA YARBOROUGH KELVIN ROTARDIER LINDA KENT HECTOR MERCADO

CHRISTA MUELLER ESTELLE SPURLOCK TINA YUAN CLOVER MATHIS KENNETH PEARL MASAZUMI CHAVA I

Donna Wood Dennis Plunkett

To Vaughan Williams, with his intense love of the English countryside that he knew in his youth, the lark represented the heart's rapture and the soul's aspiration. A miniature violin concerto in all but name, the composer called it a "Romance" when he completed it in 1920, after beginning it before war broke out in 1914. The violin rises and soars aloft above a delicate orchestral accompaniment; there's a short folk-song-like middle section, and then the soloist again takes wing. Some lines from a poem by George Meredith are inscribed on the score and aptly define the music's rhapsodic character:

"Singing till his heaven fills, Tis love of earth that he instills And ever winging up and up,

Our valley is his golden cup And he the wine which overflows To lift us with him as he goes."

(from Poems and Lyrics of the Joys of Earth)-NOEL GOODWIN

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CRY

For all Black women everywhere—especially our mothers. Music by ALICE COLTRANE ("Something About John Coltrane") LAURA NYRO ("Been On a Train") The Voices of East Harlem ("Right On, Be Free")† Choreography by ALVIN AILEY Lighting by CHENAULT SPENCE

JUDITH JAMISON

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MARY LOU'S MASS (Dances of Praise)

Music by Mary Lou Williams Choreography by Alvin Ailey Costumes by A. Christina Giannini Lighting by Chenault Spence

"Praise the Lord from Heaven, praise Him in the heights, praise Him all you angels, praise Him sun and moon...."

Kyrie SARA YARBOROUGH, KENNETH PEARL, HECTOR MERCADO, CLOVER MATHIS, MICHIHIKO OKA "For our lack of Faith . . . For our lack of Hope . . . Lord have mercy"

Gloria LINDA KENT, SYLVIA WATERS, ESTELLE SPURLOCK, CHRISTA MUELLER, MARI KAJIWARA "We praise you, we bless you, we thank you . . ."

Scripture Readings (Lazarus) . . . Dudley Williams, Kelvin Rotardier, John Parks "There once was a selfish rich man . . .

there was also a beggar man named Lazarus . . ."

Responsories

Sanctus MARI KAJIWARA, HECTOR MERCADO, ESTELLE SPURLOCK, CHRISTA MUELLER, NERISSA BARNES, SYLVIA WATERS, KENNETH PEARL, CLOVER MATHIS "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts . . ." Hosanna in the highest . . ."

The Lord's Prayer SARA YARBOROUGH "Our Father who art in Heaven . . ."

COMING EVENTS

CARLOS MONTOVA, Guitarist
GEORGE SHIRLEY, Tenor
LADO, Yugoslav Folk Ensemble
MARCEL MARCEAU, Pantominist
CLAUDIO ARRAU, <i>Pianist</i>
PHILIDOR TRIO Sunday, February 25 (2:30, Rackham Auditorium)
SAEKO ICHINOHE DANCE COMPANY from Japan Monday, February 26 (8:30, Rackham Auditorium)
AEOLIAN CHAMBER PLAYERS Saturday, March 24 (8:30, Rackham Auditorium)
TOPENG DANCE THEATER OF BALI Tuesday, March 27 (8:30, Rackham Auditorium)
*Sold out

80TH MAY FESTIVAL PROGRAMS AND ARTISTS

Four Concerts — May 2, 3, 4, and 5, 1973 THE PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA at all concerts,

EUGENE ORMANDY, Conductor

THE UNIVERSITY CHORAL UNION — THOR JOHNSON, Guest Conductor Soloists: Rudolf Serkin, Jessye Norman, Van Cliburn, Isaac Stern

PROGRAMS:

- May 2: ALL-BEETHOVEN—Overture to "Leonore" No. 3; Concerto No. 4 for Piano and Orchestra, Mr. Serkin, soloist; Symphony No. 3 ("Eroica").
- May 3: Brahms: Symphony No. 4 in E minor; Strauss: "Ein Heldenleben."
- May 4: Verdi: "Stabat Mater" and "Te Deum," University Choral Union; La Montaine: Songs of the Rose of Sharon; Wagner: "Du bist der Lenz" from *Die Walküre*, and "Dich teure Halle" from *Tannhäuser*, Miss Norman, soprano soloist; Rachmaninoff: Concerto No. 2 for Piano and Orchestra, Mr. Cliburn, soloist.
- May 5: Wagner: Prelude to *Parsifal*; Beethoven: Romance No. 1 for Violin and Orchestra; Mozart: Concerto No. 1, K. 207, for Violin and Orchestra, Mr. Stern, soloist; Tchaikovsky, Symphony No. 4, in F minor.

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