The University Musical Society The University of Michigan

Presents

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater

ALVIN AILEY, Artistic Director

CHARLES ADAMS — SARITA ALLEN — MARLA BINGHAM — ENID BRITTEN ALISTAIR BUTLER — SERGIO CAL — MASAZUMI CHAYA — ULYSSES DOVE JUDITH JAMISON* — MELVIN JONES — MARI KAJIWARA — DIANNE MARONEY JODI MOCCIA — MICHIHIKO OKA — CARL PARIS — BETH SHORTER MICHELLE SIMMONS — WARREN SPEARS — ESTELLE SPURLOCK CLIVE THOMPSON — MARVIN TUNNEY — ELBERT WATSON DUDLEY WILLIAMS — DONNA WOOD — PETER WOODIN — TINA YUAN

* On leave of absence

MARY BARNETT, Rehearsal Director

TUESDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 22, 1977, AT 8:00 Power Center for the Performing Arts Ann Arbor, Michigan

The three performances given this week by the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater comprise a half-week dance residency, receiving support from the National Endowment for the Arts, with the co-operation of the Michigan Council for the Arts.

NIGHT CREATURE

Choreography by Alvin Ailey Music by Duke Ellington ("Night Creature"*) Costumes by Jane Greenwood Lighting by Chenault Spence

"Night creatures, unlike stars, do not come *out* at night—they come *on*, each thinking that before the night is out he or she will be the star."

-DUKE ELLINGTON

First Movement

SARITA ALLEN DUDLEY WILLIAMS Enid Britten Estelle Spurlock Beth Shorter Mari Kajiwara Jodi Moccia Marvin Tunney Elbert Watson Peter Woodin Ulysses Dove Masazumi Chaya Carl Paris

Second Movement

SARITA ALLEN MELVIN JONES and Company

Third Movement

SARITA ALLEN DUDLEY WILLIAMS and Company

In 1955, Duke Ellington was commissioned to write a piece to be played by the Symphony of the Air in concert with his orchestra. "Night Creature" was the outcome, and it was subsequently performed not only by the Symphony of the Air, but also by the symphonies of Buffalo, Detroit and New Haven, as well as by the National Symphony in Washington, D.C. In 1963, the first and second movements were recorded with the Stockholm Symphony, and the third movement with the Paris Symphony.

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COUNTDOWN

(First performance in New York City, 1966, and performed tonight for the first time by the Alvin Ailey Dance Theater.)

Choreorgaphy by RUDY PEREZ Music, French Traditional ("Songs of the Auvergne") Arr. by JOSEPH CANTELOUBE; Sung by Madeleine Grey Lighting by CHENAULT SPENCE

CLIVE THOMPSON

INTERMISSION

BLOOD MEMORIES

(First Performance, December 9, 1976, New York City)

Choreography by DONALD MCKAYLE Music Composed and Orchestrated by HOWARD ROBERTS Lyrics by MAUREEN MELOY Scenic Design by VITTORIO CAPECCE Costumes by HUGH SHERRER Lighting and Projections by CHENAULT SPENCE

"I've known rivers:

I've known rivers ancient as the world and older than the flow of human blood in human veins. My soul has grown deep like the rivers."

From "The Negro Speaks of Rivers" by —LANGSTON HUGHES

THE NILE

Tributaries Sarita Allen, Enid Britten, Man	i Kajiwara, Marla Bingham, Beth Shorter, Estelle Spurlock, Tina Yuan, Jodi Moccia											
Fecundity	Donna Wood											
	l Britten and Estelle Spurlock, Tina Yuan, ara, Sarita Allen, Jodi Moccia, Marla Bingham											
Ceremony Charles Adams, Masazumi Chaya, Ulysses Dove, Carl Paris, Warren Spears, Marvin Tunney												
How Wonderful Is God Dudley Williams and Jodi Moccia, Estelle Spurlock, Tina Yuan, Beth Shorter, Mari Kajiwara, Marla Bingham, Sarita Allen, Enid Britten												
THE MISSISSIPPI												
Estuary	Donna Wood											
River Holler Charles	Adams, Masazumi Chaya, Ulysses Dove, Carl Paris, Warren Spears, Marvin Tunney											

A Hand of Cotch and A Hock of Ham Dudley Williams, Clive Thompson, Estelle Spurlock and The Company

 Delta Flood
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 Sarita Allen, Enid Britten, Mari Kajiwara, Marla Bingham, Beth Shorter, Estelle Spurlock, Tina Yuan, Jodi Moccia

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THE HARLEM

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Tar Bea	ch						. ,				. <u>`</u> .		Jodi	Moccia,	Carl	Paris
Epilogue							Cliv	ve Th	omps	on and	Sarita	Allen,	Beth	Shorter,	Tina	Yuan
Moving	·	•	•	Cha	arles									Paris, Wa na Yuan,		

BLOOD MEMORIES

The Company

COMING EVENTS

. . . Friday, February 25 JEAN-PIERRE RAMPAL YAMINI KRISHNAMURTI, South Indian Dancer . . . Monday, February 28 Friday, March 4 CZECH STATE ORCHESTRA, BRNO 2 . . (replacing Czech Philharmonic) Dvořák: Symphony No. 8 in G major; Martinu: Symphony No. 3 . Monday, March 14 JANOS STARKER, Cellist . Boccherini: Adagio and Allegro from Sonata in A major; Brahms: Sonata in D major, Op. 78; Kodaly: Sonata for unaccompanied cello, Op. 8. Wednesday, March 16 MASKED DANCE-DRAMA OF KOREA DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA/CHORAL UNION/SOLOISTS . . . Sunday, March 20 Aldo Ceccato conducts Beethoven's "Missa Solemnis"; Benita Valente, Soprano; Elaine Bonazzi, Contralto; Seth McCoy, Tenor; Ara Berberian, Bass. FRANS BRUEGGEN, Flute & Recorder (sold out) Tuesday, March 22 . Thursday, March 24 YUGOSLAV NATIONAL FOLK BALLET . . . Saturday, March 26 OSIPOV BALALAIKA ORCHESTRA Friday, April 15 THIRD ANNUAL BENEFIT CONCERT (sold out) Saturday & Sunday GUARNERI STRING QUARTET April 16 & 17

Third Annual Benefit Concert and Reception

for the University Musical Society and School of Music

Eugene Ormandy, Guest Artist

conducting

The University Symphony Orchestra

Friday, April 15, at 8:30, in Hill Auditorium

Continuing the precedent set in 1975 by Mstislav Rostropovich and continued last year by Yehudi Menuhin and Gyorgy Sandor, Maestro Ormandy most generously donates his artistry as he conducts this exceptional 100-member student orchestra in the following program:

> Beethoven: Leonore Overture No. 3 Beethoven: Symphony No. 5 in C minor Debussy: Two Nocturnes - "Nuages" and "Fêtes" Respighi: "The Pines of Rome"

A reception in the Michigan League to "Meet the Artist" will follow the concert for those wishing to make an additional contribution to this unique benefit evening. Adding to the enjoyment of the evening will be dancing to the music of a 3-piece combo.

Tickets are available at Burton Tower or by mail: \$25 includes a main floor concert ticket and reception ticket. Concert tickets at \$8 (main floor); \$7 (first balcony); \$6 and \$4 (second balcony).

May Festival

Four concerts — April 27, 28, 29, 30

THE PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA / EUGENE ORMANDY, Conductor THE FESTIVAL CHORUS / JINDRICH ROHAN, Conductor GARY GRAFFMAN, Pianist JEROME HINES, Basso MARTINA ARROYO, Soprano

Wednesday: All-Rachmaninoff: "The Isle of the Dead"; Piano Concerto No. 2 (Graffman); Symphonic Dances.

Thursday: Wagner: Overture to Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg; Bruch: Violin Concerto No. 1 in G minor (Carol); Shostakovich: Symphony No. 5. Friday: Smetana: "From Bohemia's Meadows and Groves"; Mussorgsky: Excerpts from Boris

Godunov; Boito: Prologue to Mefistofele (Hines and Festival Chorus).

Saturday: Beethoven: Symphony No. 2 in D major; Barber: Andromache's Farewell; Verdi: "Pace, pace, mio Dio" from La Forza del destino (Arroyo); Ravel: "Daphnis et Chloé" Suite No. 2.

Series of four concerts: \$38, \$28, \$20, \$16, and \$12 Single concert tickets available in March, from \$4 to \$12.

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