Theatre Rep-Act

George Diggs, president; Greta DeShazo, vice - president; Mary Watson, executive secretary; JoAnne Jones, booking director; Marie Wilson, fund raising; Greta Jean Booker, treasurer; Shirlene Peace, assistant; Wesley Wilson, volunteers; Charles McDonald, consultant and Mary Thomas, coaching director.

Theatre Repertory Act 2 presents "The Wedding" written and directed by George Diggs, at 5550 Reisterstown Road, Dec. 9, 5 p.m. featuring Lyn Bass, Greta DeShazo, Al Hargis, Jean Booker, Pat Schley, Sheila McPhaile, Ervin Hargis and George Diggs. Special guest: Vocalist Russell Johnson (formerly of the Drifters) and Modern Moves Fashions Unlimited. For ticket information call 327-2507 or 764-6940.

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Theatre Repertory Act 2 alive and living in Baltimore is a new coat of arms, formerly The Ebony Players born in 1970. The company has performed extensively throughout Maryland (Penal Institutions Inclusive) and several areas in the U.S. Theatre Repertory Act 2 have performed with O'Donald Levy, The Softones, Reach Band and Singers, Jerry Butler, Flight 300, and a host of others.

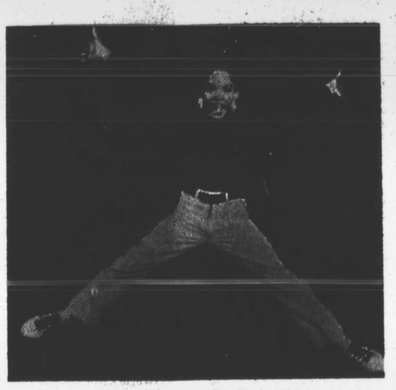
Theatre Repertory Act 2 pioneered Live Theatre in night clubs in Baltimore City in the early 70s. To date the company has 226 (original) productions in their Repertoire ranging from comedy to the Macobre written by their Director/President George Diggs. Along with Diggs, Ms. Greta DeShanzo, assisant director and vice-president have nurtured the ensemble throughout the 14 years of their existence bringing innovative theatre to the many patrons of the performing arts.

Theatre Repertory Act 2 is a community-based ensemble showcasing new and potential talent that otherwise may not have immediate access to the performing arts.

Presently, the ensemble is laboring to raise funds for their building fund, equipment, wardrobe, etc., so they may continue to bring innovative theatre to you and yours. Please support the Rep. in its efforts so that future thespians will have a legacy in their lifetime.

Theatre Repertory Act 2 is available for all occasions, tours, Dinner Theatre, cruises, open air Theatre, churches, colleges, fundraisers, etc.

Celebrities



Savion Glover new Tap Dance Kid

Nicole Jones plays the lead role of Annie in "Annie Get Your Gun" in the Youtheatres Arena Players production opening Dec. 7 and running two weekends thru Dec. 16.

SAVION GLOVER, has taken over the role of Willie, the tap dance kid, in the hit Broadway musical at the Minskoff Theatre.

Savion, an 11 year old from Newark, N.J. is making his Broadway debut in "THE TAP DANCE KID." A talented percussionist, he has performed in the tri-state area with the 3 PLUS BAND which recently completed a soon-to-be-released video and album on Zeus Records. Savion studied percussion at the Newark Performing Arts Center. He has studied dance with Frank Hatchett, Danny Daniels, and D.J. Giagni.

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Actor/comedian JEFFREY JOSEPH has been signed to play a recurring role in episodes of NBC-TV's comedy series "Family Ties".

Joseph will portray James Jarrett, Alex Keaton's (series star Michael J. Fox) long-time school rival who is now attending Leland University. He was introduced in a recent episode entitled "Hotline Fever," in which the two were forced to work together on a suicide-prevention hotline.

Prior to joining "Family Ties", Joseph appeared in the daytime drama "Ryan's Hope" and a PBS American Playhouse production, "The File on Jill Hatch."

He has appeared as a stand-up comedian at Catch A Rising Star and The Improv in New York City. His theatre credits include the Off-Broadway production of "Mercenaries" as well as "D," "Blues for Mister Charlie" and "He Who Gets Slapped."

Jeffrey Joseph

Joseph attended the Juilliard Theatre Center and studied acting with Stella Adler and Caroline DuCrocq.

PHILIP BAILEY'S first single from his collaboration with British star Phil Collins was the most-added single at radio the first week it was released, according to Billboard. The song, "Easy Lover," was added by more radio stations than the new singles by Ray Parker, Chicago, John Cafferty and the Beaver Brown Band, and Madonna. One reason: "Easy Lover" is a duet between Collins—one of the best-loved voices in rock—and Bailey—one of the best-loved voices in R&B and pop. In addition, the tune was co-written by both Phils.

Philip Bailey, who has sold close to 40 million records as lead singer for Earth, Wind & Fire, recorded the album from which "Easy Lover" was taken ("Chinese Wall", on Columbia Records) with Phil Collins as producer.

Bailey is the first black artist with whom Collins has chosen to work... not surprising, since Collins' own music was heavily influenced by the Earth, Wind & Fire sound. Collins' credits include platinum albums as lead singer of the rock group Genesis and several more platinum albums as a solo artist. "Chinese Wall" is Philip Bailey's second album as a solo artist.

DEBBIE ALLEN, Art Buchwald, Joan Copeland, Lillian Gish, the Howard University Choir, Karl Malden, Itzhak Perlman, Roberta Peters, Carl Reiner, Mary Lou Retton, Ying Rouchang, Otis Sallid, Vin Scully, George Segal, the United Nations School Choir, the University of Maryland Choir, Eli Wallach, Dionne Warwick, The Washington Opera, John Williams and Efrem Zimbalist Jr. are among the renowned artists performing on "The Kennedy Center Honors: A Celebration of the Performing Arts," the seventh-annual entertainment gala honoring the lifetime achievement of American artists.

Indians! Indians! Michelle Johnson, Pam Mance, Kiane McEachern, Paige Washington, Shanicqua Trent, Donique Spence and Nicole Coleman in the cast of "Annie Get Your Gun" at Arena Playhouse.

Pratt Happenings

Free Concerts

A Christmas concert presented by students from Holliman's Music Studio under the direction of James Holliman with vocal selections by members of the Wilson Park Community Church led by Mrs. Earleen Ferguson, will be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 12 at the Enoch Pratt Broaday branch, 301 N. Broadway at Orleans. Free admission.

Free Films

The Reisterstown Road Branch, 6310 Reisterstown Road, will present Parts 5 and 6 of "Heritage: Civilization and the Jews" at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 9 and Parts 7 and 8 at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 12.

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At 6 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 10, the Canton Center, 1030 S. Ellwood Avenue will present "Cattle Ranch", "Bluenose Ghost," "Alberta Sunshine," and "Bluenose in the Sun," four color travelogues on Canada.

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On Wednesday, Dec. 12, at 1 p.m., the Waverly branch, 400 E. 33rd St., will show "Deccan," a BBC-TV film from the Great Railway Journeys of the World Series. Writer Brian Thompson travels in south India from Bombay to the Nilgiri mountains.

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At 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 12, the Central Library, 400 Cathedral Street, will present "Till the Clouds Roll By," an MGM musical based on the life of songwriter Jerome Kern.

Admission to all Pratt Library screenings is free.

Free events for children

Monday, Dec. 10

Canton Center, 1030 S. Ellwood Ave.: Film, "Heidi," 3:30 p.m.

Edmondson Avenue Branch, 4330 Edmondson Ave.: Film, "The Mole and the Camera," 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 11

Walbrook Branch, 3203 W. North Ave.: Films, "The Little Prince," "The Clown of God," and "Teeny-Tiny and the Witch Woman," 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 12

Broadway Branch, 301 N. Broadway: Films, "Little Lord Fauntleroy" and "Maurice Sendak's Really Rosie' Starring the Nutshell Kids," 2 p.m.

Gardenville Branch, 5427 Belair Rd.: Films, "Thank You, M'am," "The Velveteen Rabbit," and "The Sweater," 3:30 p.m.

Morrell Park Center, 2446 Washington Blvd.: Film, "A Christmas Gift," 3:30 p.m.

Northwood Branch, 4420 Loch Raven Blvd.: Films, "Beyond the Stars: A Space Story" and "The Contest Kid," 3:30 p.m.

Clifton Center, 2001 N. Wolfe St.: Film, "Cosmic Christmas" 5 p.m.

Brooklyn Branch, 300 E. Patapsco Ave.: Family Christmas program, 6:30 p.m.

Edmondson Avenue Branch, 4330 Edmondson Ave.: Films, "Pluto's Christmas Tree" and "The Elephant Who Wouldn't Forget," 6:30 p.m.

Light Street Branch, 1251 Light St., Films: "Cosmic Christmas" and "Yes, Virginia, There Is A Santa Claus," 6:30 p.m.

Hamilton Branch, 5910 Harford Rd.: Preschool story hour, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 13

St. Paul Street Center, 2521 St. Paul St.: Film, "A Christmas Carol with Mr. Magoo," 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Pennsylvania Avenue Branch, 1531 W. North Ave.: Film, "The Selfish Giant," 2 p.m.

Northwood Branch, 4420 Loch Raven Blvd.: Family Christmas story hour, 7 p.m.

Little Richard's $115 million lawsuit will go on

Los Angeles based attorney Arthur J. Pollock, representing rock and roll king Little Richard in his $115 million lawsuit against ATV Music Corp., Speciality Records and Venice Music for back royalties the singer claims are owed to him, said after a Los Angeles district judge dismissed the case in federal court, that they have "only lost the first round and there are at least 14 more rounds to go."

Pollock said the judges decision would probably be appealed and that the dismissal of the case was based on the technicality of which court the case should be brought in, state or federal, and was not on its merits.

"We began preparing for this case last year and we know that Richard's claims have merit," he added. "We know we will win in the end."

The lawsuit was originally filed on Little Richard's behalf in June of this year, just prior to the release of his biography, "The Life and Times of Little Richard, the Quasar of Rock", which has since become a best-seller.

Little Richard, upon hearing of the judge's decision stated, "I was disappointed, but I have a strong faith in God. I remain confident that justice and truth will prevail and that I will ultimately receive what is legally and rightfully owed to me."

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December 16, 7:30 — Perkins Square Senior Ushers; Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society; Student Nurses Activities Committee