

ENTERTAINMENT

Dance Theatre of Harlem Photo Exhibit Kicks Off Local Audience Development Campaign



"Retrospective," an exhibit of 37 photographs tracing the evolution of the Dance Theatre of Harlem, will be on display at Shades of Color Gallery from January 2 through January 16. Shades of Color is located at 316 NE Thompson St. west of MLK Jr. Blvd. and is open daily from 12 to 6 p.m. The exhibit is sponsored by the School of Oregon Ballet Theatre. An opening reception will be held at Shades of Color on First Thursday, January 2nd, from 6 to 9 p.m.

Dance Theatre of Harlem was founded in 1969 by former New York City Ballet Star Arthur Mitchell following the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. Mr. Mitchell's goal was to give Harlem's disadvantaged youth an outlet for cultural achievement. From humble beginnings the company has grown into a world-renowned ensemble known for its blend of classical and contemporary works. "Retrospective" captures that evolution through photos of some of the company's most famous productions of the past three decades.

The exhibit kicks off a series of events organized by a local Audience Development Task Force working to promote Dance Theatre of Harlem's upcoming visit to Portland. The celebrated dance company -- whose Port-

land engagement is being presented by Oregon Ballet Theatre and Security Pacific Bank -- will perform at Portland Civic Auditorium February 7, 8 and 9, 1992. A reception for the dancers, benefiting the Urban League of Portland Guild, will follow the Friday, February 7th performance. Ticket information for performances and the reception may be obtained by calling the Oregon Ballet Theatre ticket office at 227-6867.

The task force is a community-based group of volunteers working to increase the diversity of Dance Theatre of Harlem's audience. School of Oregon Ballet Theatre director Joe Wyatt, formerly a member of Dance Theatre of Harlem, and Michelle Harper of the Portland Parks and Recreation Bureau co-chair the task force. Other organizations represented are the Linds, Metropolitan Arts Commission, Oregon Ballet Theatre, the Urban Entertainment Coalition and the Urban League of Portland. The task force's outreach campaign during the next two months will focus on schools, churches and community groups in the Portland area.

For information on the Dance Theatre of Harlem Task Force, call Joe Wyatt (227-6890) or Michael Pullen (280-2615).

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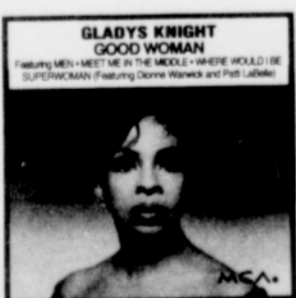
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