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# Musical 'Show Boat' Opens

*Love story is also tale of racism's legacy*

Lakewood Theatre Company will open a new production of the American musical "Show Boat" on Saturday, May 3 at the Lakewood Center for the Arts.

Noted musical numbers include such classic songs as "Ol' Man River," "Make Believe" and "Can't Help Lovin' Dat Man."

Based on Edna Ferber's novel of the same name, Show Boat brings a tale of life on the Mississippi from the 1880s to the 1920s. Both a love story and a powerful reminder of the bitter legacy of racism, it spans the 40 years of Captain Andy Hawk's family and their showboat troop of actors who perform on the Cotton Blossom floating theater.

Interwoven into the groundbreaking plot were such topics as mixed marriages, racial prejudice, addiction, and desertion.

Performances will continue through Sunday, June 8; playing Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights at 7:30 p.m.; one Wednesday performance, May 21 at 7:30 p.m.; Sundays at 7 p.m.; Sunday matinees at 2 p.m.; with one Saturday matinee, June 7 at 2 p.m.

Lakewood Center for the Arts is located at 368 S. State St. in Lake Oswego. Ticket prices are \$36/adults and \$34/seniors. Other discounts are available for students and groups. For additional information and tickets, call the Lakewood Box Office at 503-635-3901 or order online at lakewood-center.org.

*Geoffery Simmons and  
 Carmen Brantley-Payne* ▶  
*star in the classical musical  
 "Show Boat," opening  
 Saturday, May 2 and  
 shows through June 8 at  
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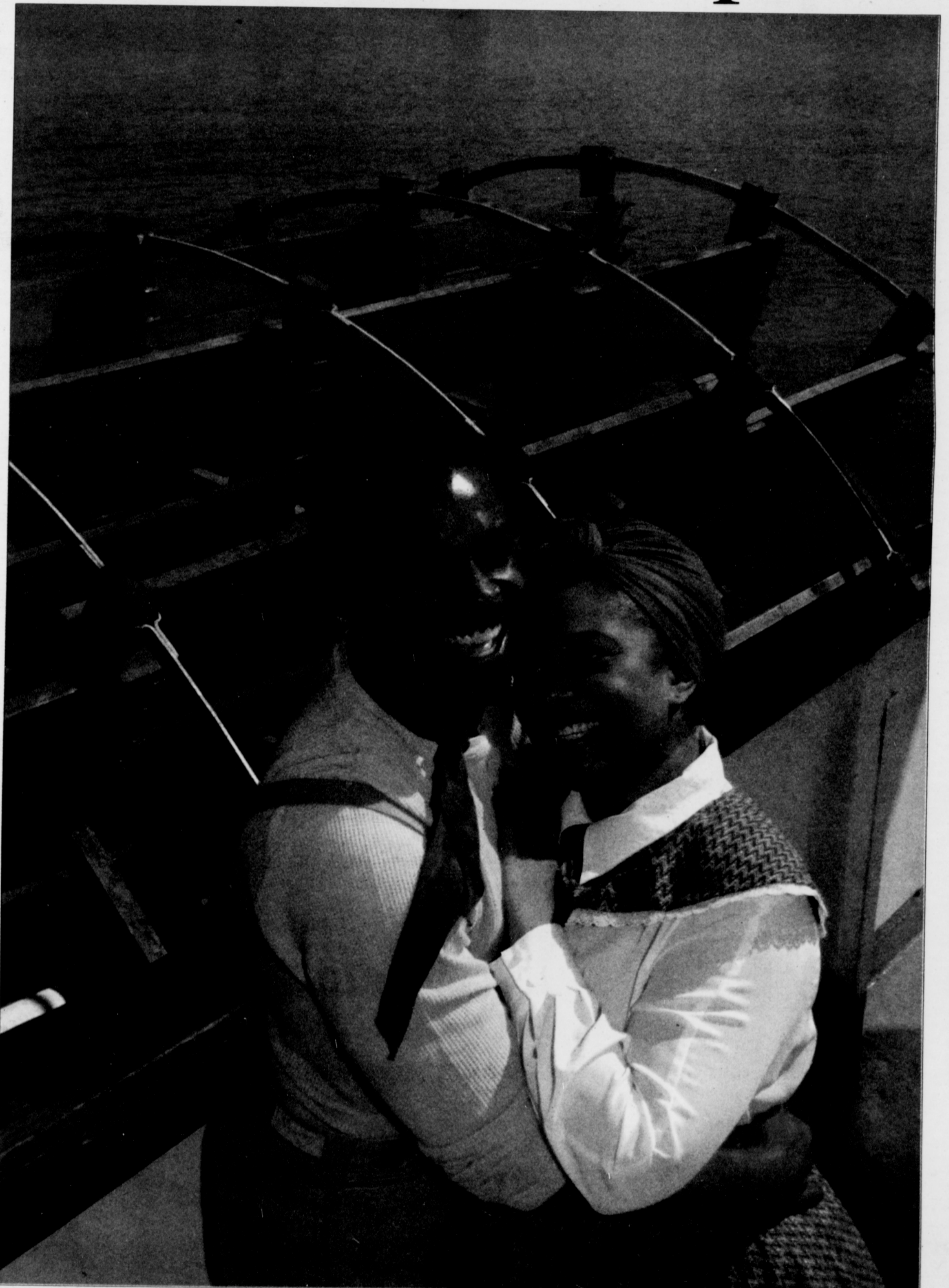


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