

"Red Earth" fascinates all ages

The Red Earth Performing Arts Company held a capacity crowd spellbound at the Community Center during their presentation of "Changer" last Tuesday, Feb. 8. Humorous lines brought howls of laughter from the audience as the troupe masterfully captivated young and old.

Everyone appeared to love the play. Even the younger children who normally run around during such productions were attentive and tuned in. Some of the very young were "kinda scared" of the masks, but liked the music, the stylized dancing, and "the funny parts."

One could feel the excitement in the air from the moment the play opened. As portrayed by "Red Earth", the story of the coming of man is told in multi-artistic form.

The play, written by Gerald Miller (Skokomish-Yakima) is based on Puget Sound mythology and takes place before the great flood when the animals were the people.

Briefly, two animal-spirit women, Dawn Light and Rabbit Girl, are taken one night to Star Land. There they meet and marry Red Star and his brother White Star. From their union, Dawn Light has a boy, Star Baby. (The audience chuckled when Star Baby ap-

peared in the play as a blue stuffed doll with long, dangling arms and legs and bulging eyes.)

Upon returning to Earth, Star Baby is transformed into Dukweebahtl (The Changer). Dukweebahtl's mission is to transform the world, to prepare the way for the coming of man. He wanders through the land giving everything a reason for being. After numerous encounters with the animal-spirit people, and after much hard work, Dukweebahtl finally creates man. Having completed his mission, Dukweebahtl is himself changed into the sun — forever looking after his children.

Director John Kauffman, who also stars as "The Changer", stressed that "Red Earth" does not attempt to repeat or duplicate traditional ceremonies. "We just take the form to communicate what it's about. It's a stylization to create a new form of theater — Indian theater. We feel the responsibility to "change", to make people think. We don't just want to be fluff entertainment," he said.

In addition to Kauffman, the cast includes; Gil Trujillo, Nick Guerrero, Keith Conway, Terry Taffoya, Linda Almonzor, Phyllis Brisson, and Geri Boucher.



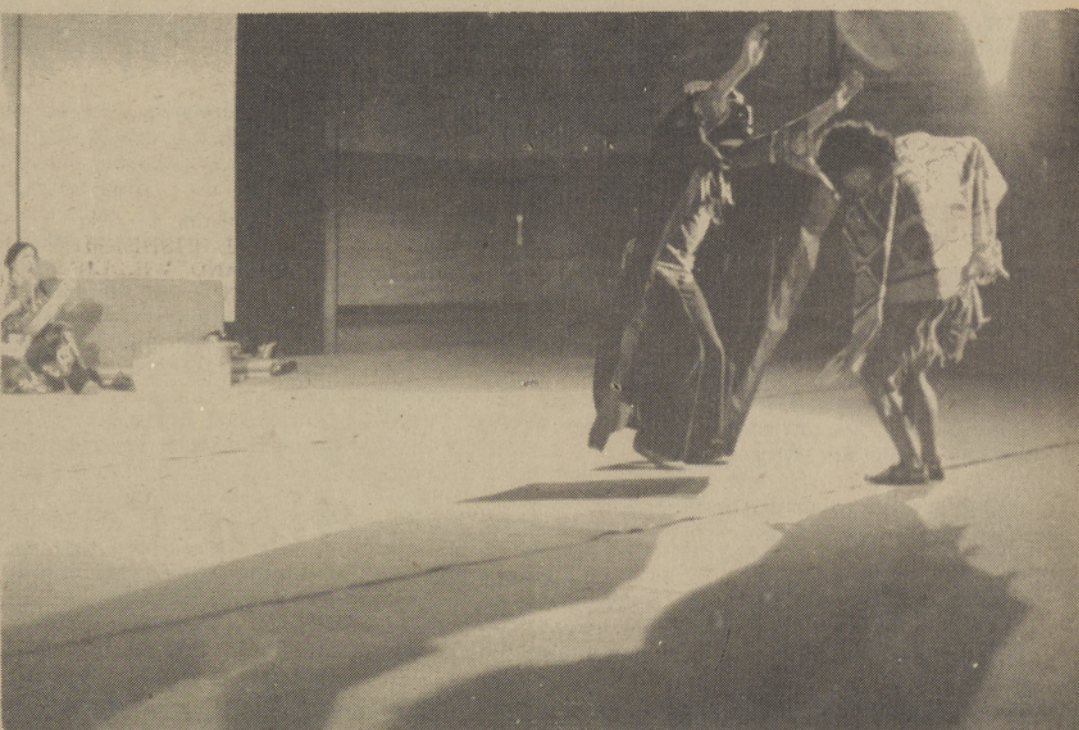
"Changer" meets Bear during his wanderings on Earth and decides that Bear is so wise that he should be left as he is.

Photo by Sandy Ranglia



FROG WOMAN, the grandmother, cackles while clutching Star Baby for safekeeping. The character on the right stalks about and later, after

putting a "freeze spell" on everyone, switches Star Baby with a piece of wood.



DURING this dramatic scene, Star Baby is being turned into "Changer". His mission as "Changer" is to transform the world, to prepare the way for the coming of man.

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Young chess enthusiasts from Warm Springs have participated in three tournaments recently and are looking forward to more.

A grade school tournament was held February 8 at the Warm Springs school library. Robin Chinn came in first, winning 5½ out of 6 games. Second place with 5 winning games was Gomer Craig, and third place went to Daniel Lawrence who took 4½ games. Other players in this tournament were Wally Scott, Jerome Davis, Travis Wells, Paul Henderson and Sonja Bryant.

Several kids traveled to Bend on February 12 to compete in the OMSI School Regionals for Central Oregon. Daniel Lawrence and Gomer Craig won two out of five games and Robin Chinn won 1½. Also participating were Jerome Davis, Paul Henderson

and Travis Wells.

As part of the regular Warm Springs Chess Club meetings, a tournament was held February 10 at the Community Center. It was won by Landy Doney. Tied for second place were Gale Lawrence and Garnel Scott. Other players were Wally Scott, Arnold Gyle, Daniel Lawrence, Laurel Lamere and Tyrone Tewee.

The chess club meets on Thursday evenings at 7:00 at the Community Center. They are always looking for new members of any age. Adults interested in leading the club are encouraged to come and get involved.

The next Warm Springs tournament will be held February 23 at the Community Center. Games will start at 6:00, 7:00, 8:00 and 9:00. Prizes will be awarded to three divisions and the first place.

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