

Worldly dancer comes to UNLV

New guest artist-in-residence performs for Las Vegas

Douglas Nielsen was the third person ever to teach modern dance in China. When the Chinese asked him what modern dance was, he told them "It's a free thinking process that involves movement". They didn't know what that meant.

The 6-foot-4-inch dancer-choreographer is the new guest artist-in-residence of the UNLV Department of Dance Arts. His residency will culminate in a performance at 8 p.m. on Dec. 8 and 2 p.m. on Dec. 9 in the Black Box Theatre located in the Alta Ham Fine Arts Building of the UNLV campus.

Neilsen will present six works including the reconstruction of "On My Mother's Side" originally choreographed and performed in 1939 by the late Charles Weidman. Once a member of the pioneering Denishawn company, which also gave Martha Graham her start, Weidman led a company with partner Doris Humphrey for many years. It took Neilsen two years of research and studio work to recreate the piece and perform it with the help of



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Douglas Nielson

original collaborators to the piece. Nielsen will also perform two of his own choreographed solos and premiere three new creations for the UNLV dancers.

General admission is \$8 and students, children and seniors get in for \$5. Tickets may be purchased in the Performing Arts box office located in front of the Artemus Ham Concert Hall.

Annual Messiah performance accents family theme

The Las Vegas Symphony performs the annual presentation of Handel's Messiah on Sunday, December 9 at 2 p.m. at Artemus Ham Concert Hall. The seasonal holiday celebration will be conducted by Music Director Virko Baley with the Desert Chorale.

First performed over 220 years ago, Handel's Messiah is a Las Vegas tradition now in its fifth year. Discounts of 50 per cent to children 14 years and under, and 25 per cent for senior citizens is offered as a special rate to encourage families to participate in this holiday event.

This will be the Desert Chorale's fifth performance with the Las Vegas Symphony. Music Director Virko Baley announced recently that the chorus has been chosen as the official chorus of the Symphony and will perform all choral works with the Symphony.

Tickets prices for the Messiah performance are \$10, \$14, \$17 and \$20 and can be purchased at Performing Arts Center box office, Bullock's credit department and all Ticketron Outlets including the new locations at Smith's markets. For information call the Symphony at 739-3420.

Renowned Paris Choir to perform at UNLV

The celebrated children's choir Les Petits Chanteurs a la Croix de Bois (The Little Singers of Paris) will perform in Artemus W. Ham Concert Hall at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas at 8 p.m., Dec. 6, 1990. This concert of the UNLV Charles Vanda Master Series is part of the group's third around-the-world tour. Founded in 1907, the

group is known for purity of sound and technical perfection. The 26-member choir has performed more than 6,000 concerts in more than 100 countries.

Tickets—or further information—are available at the box office, 739-3801, at Artemus W. Ham Concert Hall on the UNLV campus.

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