

# Liberace Introduces Child Prodigy To Caesars Stage



When Liberace returns to Caesars Palace August 28 through September 10 (dark Sept. 3 and 4), he will bring back popular singer Shani Wallis and introduce a young new talent. Thirteen-year-old pianist Eric Hamelin will make his debut at Caesars Palace.

Despite his age, Hamelin is no stranger to the concert spotlight. He recently completed a 21-day engagement with Liberace at Radio City Music Hall, has performed on the "Merv Griffin Show" and has performed at hotels and clubs in Albuquerque, San Diego and his hometown Phoenix.

Eric was born in September, 1971 in North Adams, Mass., where at three years old he showed a marked interest in music. At five, he began organ lessons. The youngest of three children, he moved with his parents, brother and sister to Phoenix in 1979 and a few months later took his first piano lesson from Nicholas Pesce, Jr. Pesce continues to instruct Eric and manages his career.

Apart from his glamorous show business experience, Eric graduated with honors from Estrella Junior High School and will be entering high school this year. He enjoys baseball, football and listening to rock music.

Like Liberace, Eric has a flair for showmanship and enjoys playing what audiences want to hear. He draws from his rigorous classical training -- the artistic touch, careful phrasing and exacting technique -- to create a repertoire that includes everything from Chopin to the "Theme From Superman" to novelty numbers like "Glow Worm."

Liberace is well known for his efforts as a presenter of young talent. Barbra Streisand, The Williams Brothers (who tap danced as The Nicholas Brothers in "Cotton Club") and Jean Finn number among the gifted performers who have gained professional experience appearing with him. The Liberace Foundation for the Performing and Creative Arts was established to aid exceptionally talented persons through scholar-



Eric Hamelin

ships, funding and grants. Profits from the Liberace Museum in Las Vegas, donations and proceeds from special events benefit the foundation, which is administered by Dora Liberace, the wife of Lee's late brother, George.

At Caesars Palace, Liberace, Shani Wallis and Eric Hamelin will perform nightly cocktail shows.

For reservations phone the Caesars Palace Circus Maximus Showroom (702) 731-7333 or (800) 445-4544 (outside Nevada, within the U.S.).

## Homecoming



Mass confusion reigned as 75 area Boy Scouts and their leaders arrived back home after two weeks of fun and adventure during the National Boy Scout Jamboree near Washington, D.C. Some 30,000 Scouts from across the nation participated in the activities, and the Las Vegas area contingent was able to partake of six days of sightseeing in the nation's capital.

# Suzanne Somers Stars In "Bal du Moulin Rouge" At The Las Vegas Hilton



**SUPER-CHARGED SUZANNE** -- Suzanne Somers stars in "Bal du Moulin Rouge" at the Las Vegas Hilton. The willowy blonde delivers an energized package of entertainment with fast-paced song and dance numbers and a colorful array of costumes and scenery.

Suzanne Somers stars in "Bal du Moulin Rouge" at the Las Vegas Hilton, marking her fourth appearance in the resort's lavish revue.

Somers has had a tremendous impact on the entertainment world recently since her appearance in the ABC mini-series "Hollywood Wives" and her photo lay-out which appeared in the December, 1984 issue of Playboy.

In "Hollywood Wives," the public saw a different side of Somers with her role as a villainous, conniving movie star. Time and time again, the willowy blonde has proven her talents as a singer, dancer, comedian and actress.

Nowhere does her versatility stand out more than on stage at the Las Vegas Hilton. Countless number of people file into the showroom expecting to see "Chrissy," but what they get is a taste of that and much more.

Combined with the production's cast of 80, Somers delivers an energized package of entertainment featuring fast-paced song and dance numbers and a colorful array of costumes and scenery.

Also with Somers, is comedian-ventriloquist Jimmy Wallis and the Italian comedy tumbling act, Trio Bogis. Wallis is highlighted in the recently created comedy slot which has added an entirely new dimension to the show.

"Bal du Moulin Rouge" can be seen twice nightly, except on Monday, in the main showroom. Show prices start at \$19.50 for the 8:00 p.m. dinner performance and the midnight cocktail performance costs \$16.00.

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