

Imperial Palace Hosts Telethon For Cerebral Palsy



The OAK RIDGE BOYS, pictured here with three members of the show LEGENDS IN CONCERT, will be seen January 18-19 on the annual network "Weekend With The Stars Telethon" for United Cerebral Palsy. The Las Vegas segment was taped at the IMPERIAL PALACE HOTEL & CASINO.

The IMPERIAL PALACE will be featured prominently on network television in January when United Cerebral Palsy takes to the air to raise money for research and community services relating to that disabling condition.

The showroom at the Imperial Palace was filled December 1st for the taping of the Las Vegas talent segment of the "Weekend With The Stars Telethon" which will be broadcast live on over 90 stations coast to coast on January 18-19. It will go on the air at 8:00 p.m. PST on Saturday, January 18th and conclude at 5:00 p.m. PST on Sunday, January 19th. In most parts of the U.S. it will be aired on ABC-TV affiliates. In Las Vegas, the telethon will air on KTNV-TV, Channel 13.

Hosting live from Los Angeles will be John Ritter and Henry Winkler. Hosting live from New York will be Wayne Newton, Florence Henderson and Dennis James. Taped segments will be interspersed from Las Vegas, Disneyland (with Scott Baio) and "Comedy Improv." in Los Angeles (with Robert Guillaume).

Taped at the Imperial Palace was an exciting line-up of stars. Four members of LEGENDS IN CONCERT performed along with ROY CLARK, the OAK RIDGE BOYS, LARRY GATLIN and the GATLIN BROTHERS, T. G. SHEPPARD, FRANK SINATRA, JR., and CHARO. Host was popular TV personality HAL LINDEN.

Representing LEGENDS IN CONCERT were MONICA MARIS, GEORGE TRULLINGER, JONATHON VON BRANA, and DAVE SWAN. Dave, the comic who opens for LEGENDS IN CONCERT, was ubiquitous during the taping, being called on stage over and over to entertain both on camera and off with his hilarious brand of humor.

Monica Maris is famous for her realistic portrayal of Judy Garland, while George Trullinger re-creates legendary rock 'n roller Buddy Holly. Jonathon Von Brana's "Elvis Presley" is so well known, he has been featured on GOOD MORNING, AMERICA and the TODAY SHOW as well as

Las Vegas Israelite Prague Chamber Orchestra Concert January 14

UNLV's Master Series presents the outstanding Prague Chamber Orchestra in concert January 14 at 8 P.M. in the Artemus W. Ham Concert Hall.

It is the second concert of the eight programs remaining in the tenth season of this prestigious series. For ticket information contact the Master Series office at 739-3535.

Since its debut concert at the Prague Spring Festival in 1952, the Prague has thrilled audiences around the world at concerts and international festivals. The ensemble of 36 musicians has toured the United States, Europe, Canada, and Asia, and its impressive reputation has attracted world famous soloists. Interestingly, the Prague plays without a conductor, led only by the superb musicianship of its members.

Founded in 1951 by members of the Czechoslovak Radio Symphony Orchestra, the Prague Chamber Orchestra started its independent career in 1965. By 1967, it had become part of the newly established Music Studio in Prague, as a sovereign state-subsidized ensemble. The Prague has since established a reputation as an extremely versatile and proficient orchestra.

Now celebrating its 35th anniversary, the Prague is destined to remain a permanent musical fixture in the ranks of the world's best orchestras. Its well-balanced repertoire includes work ranging from the great Czech masters' classics to the latest works by contemporary composers.

Joining the Prague on the season tour is the remarkable guitarist, Lubomir Brabec. Master Series patrons will be treated to Brabec's performance of Rodrigo's "Concierto de Aranjuez," a masterpiece in the guitar repertoire.

Born in Czechoslovakia in 1953, Brabec became internationally recognized as one of the leading European guitarists in 1974 upon winning the title of laureate in the "Concours Internationale de Guitare" in Paris.

In 1980, Brabec won a scholarship sponsored by the British Council and continued advanced studies in England at the Royal Academy of Music and the world-renowned Early Music Centre. He has a broad repertoire, ranging from the earliest period of Renaissance vihuelists and lutenists through the contemporary music of his home country and the Latin nations. This season's tour as guest soloist with the Prague marks his first appearance in North America.

Upcoming Master Series performances will feature the Philharmonia Hungarica February 19, followed by the Utah Symphony on March 5.

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This event is the eighth annual network "Weekend With The Stars Telethon for Cerebral Palsy." Last January the show raised more than \$17 million to fund research and community services relating to the disabling condition that affects 700,000 Americans now and affects some 6,000 more newborn babies each year.

"Uncle Mike" Celebrates Birthday



HOST OF THE TOWN -- Mike Finkelstein, known to everybody as "Uncle Mike," celebrated his 86th birthday recently, becoming the oldest casino host in Downtown Las Vegas. Finkelstein, a casino host for Del Webb's Mint Casino/Hotel, was joined by Mint executives Joe Rammos (Left), vice president of hotel operations and marketing; Tony Packe, vice president of casino operations; and Chuck Hodges, slot manager in blowing out the candles and cutting the cake. (Photo by Las Vegas News Bureau)

NEW YORK (WNS) — The editors of the New York Times Book Review magazine selected "The Abandonment of the Jews. America and the Holocaust 1941-1945" by David S. Wyman as one of the ten best books of 1985.

"A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum" At The Union Plaza

"A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO THE FORUM," the musical comedy that scored a 28-month run in New York, is currently playing in the main showroom of the Union Plaza Hotel. Starring veteran comedy actor, ALAN YOUNG, showtimes for the Tony Award winning production are 8 and 11:45 p.m.

The musical's credentials go back farther than this Broadway success. Its tomfoolery has been drawn from a half dozen plays by Plautus, the rowdiest

gagwriter in ancient Rome, whose slapstick comedies used to pack the Colosseum around 200 B.C. and have been big box-office ever since, in adaptations by Shakespeare, Moliere, Mack Sennett, the Marx Brothers and countless burlesque comedians.

Alan Young will star as Pseudolus, the central figure in this Roman romp, a slave with a shrewd mind and a desire to obtain his freedom by playing on the desires of his young master and the young master's lascivious father, for the same girl -- Phyllia, the most delectable item among the girl-purveyor's stock.

The plot's complication is that she has already been optioned by a Roman warrior and is being kept on reserve for him by the girl-trader pending his return from some war or the other.

The tongue-in-cheek blending of the world's oldest and most sure-fire gags that make up "Forum" was accomplished by writers Burt Shevelove and Larry Gelbart.

"There's a joke in every line," reported Variety.

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