## Nevada Opera Theatre's Premiere Season! A Triple Measure Of Pleasure!



HANS GREGORY ASHBAKER Plays Roldofo in "La Boheme"

Nevada Opera Theatre's premiere season will offer a triple measure of pleasure by presenting three exciting opera productions. They include "La Boheme" by Puccini in the Artemus Ham-Concert Hall, Sunday, November 23 at 2:00 p.m. On January 17, 1987 at 8:00 p.m., "Opera Gala" will feature guest artists who have performed at the Metropolitan Opera and San Francisco Opera. This special evening will include performances of the Nevada Opera Theatre Artists and The Southern Nevada Musical Arts Chorus. Maestro Thomas Conlin will conduct The Nevada Opera Theatre Orchestra. "Die Fledermaus," Strauss' most famous operetta, will be performed at Artemus Ham Concert Hall on Sunday,

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For A

Happy New Year



PATRICIA SCHUMAN Plays Mimi in "La Boheme"

April 26, 1987 at 2:00 p.m.

"La Boheme" artists include Patricia Schuman cast as Mimi and Hans Ashbaker capturing the role of Rodolfo. Both have received international acclaim.

Schuman performed at La Scala in Milan, Italy and will perform at the Vienna Staatsoper and Netherlands Opera during the 1986-87 season. She made her European debut in the title role of Peter Brook's "La Tragedie de Carmen" in Paris. Schuman performed that same role in the premier performance at Lincoln Center.

Hans Ashbaker performed in Nevada Opera Theatre's "Midsummer Opera," a State of Nevada Grant presentation. "Midsummer Opera Festival" will again be presented at the Boulder City Cultural Center on August 1 and 2, 1987.

Ashbaker has performed in Paris, Barcelona, Graz, and in May he replaced Placido Domingo at

the Metropolitan Opera. Ashbaker is considered one of the finest tenors in the United States.

Nevada's diva, Madelene Capelle, has been cast as Musetta. Capelle is in demand as a concert artist as well as a leading performer in opera. Her recent performances have been with the Oakland Symphony and Charleston Symphony. She just returned from San Francisco where she sang the "National Anthem" before sixty thousand San Francisco 49ers fans. In December. Capelle is the guest soloist with the Sacramento Symphony and has been invited to sing with the California Coast Opera Company. She will perform the role of Rosalinda in "Die Fledermaus" in Zurich and Berlin in 1987.

Cast as Marcello in "La Boheme" is George Skipworth. He has performed in "Madame Butterfly" and "Carmen" at UNLV. He has worked with the Hartford, Indianapolis and Seattle Opera Companies. A pianist and composer as well, Skipworth has concertized across the U.S. and western Canada.

Maestro Henry Hold will conduct "La Boheme" and "Die Fledermaus." Holt received international prominence as conductor of the Pacific Northwest Wagner Festival. Holt was musical director and conductor of the Seattle Opera for 14 years.

Over the last two decades, Maestro Hold has been propelled into the forefront of the national opera scene. He has conducted at the New York City Opera, San Francisco Opera, Opera Company of Philadelphia, Portland Opera and many others. His conducting record for Seattle Opera alone includes over one thousand performances.

Maestro Thomas Conlin will conduct "Opera Gala" on January 17, 1987. Conlin is music director and conductor for the Charleston Symphony Orchestra. At the invitation of Herbert von Karajan, Conlin assisted with the Metropolitan Opera's production of Wagner's "Der Ring des Nibelungen." And at the Metropolitan Opera, he worked with world famous operatic conductors including Eric Leinsdorf and Karl Boehm. At Lincoln Center, he conducted "Amahl and the Night Visitors" and he served as Music Director for Charles Kent's "A Room in Time," an opera commissioned and produced by PBS-TV.

"Die Fledermaus" will feature opera stars who have performed at the Metropolitan Opera and Sante Fe Opera.

Tickets are now on sale at Bullocks, Burk Gal'ry in Boulder City and the Nevada Opera Theatre office located at 3430 East Flamingo Road, Suite 225 in Las Vegas. Ticket prices range from \$7.50 to \$100. Call 451-6331 or 451-3534 for information.

WASHINGTON — Stating that it is heartened that pre-summit talks will take place next week between President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, B'nai B'rith International declared that it is pleased that human rights will be on the agenda.

The Jewish service organization's president, Seymour D. Reich, noting that nuclear arms and survival are the major subjects to be discussed by the United States and the Soviet Union, said "nevertheless, we firmly believe that human

rights is a cornerstone of peace."

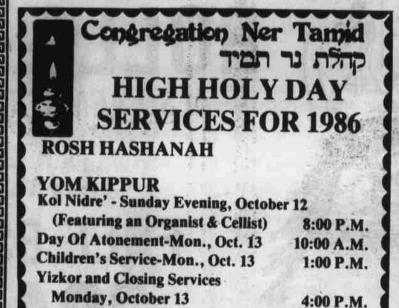
"To us, Soviet Jewry is a litmus test of Moscow's intentions on the human rights issue," Reich said, "and unless and until the Soviets show willingness to release those Soviet Jews who wish to emigrate, and allow those who choose to remain behind to live as Jews without harassment, it will be difficult to accept their word on this issue or any other."

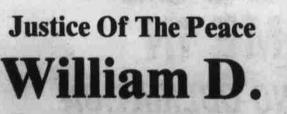
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