

Entertainment



With his debut Mercury/PolyGram album *Ji* and his hit single "Mama Used To Say," Junior made a name for himself. He has a unique, toe-tapping mixture of heavy bass rhythms and melodies, that has made him a success overseas and in the States.



Junior PolyGram Records

Junior has been performing professionally since age 14, when he sang with the Idelics, a band heavily influenced by the Jackson Five. After the Idelics went under, he joined Atlantis, who cut some singles for the Fireside label in New York. While in the city, Mercury/Phonogram Records offered to sign Junior to a British solo recording contract. Mercury lost no time teaming Junior with England's stellar funk musicians, along with producer Bob Carter, who's overseen such other shelf Britfunk stars as Linx and Central Line. The combination produced Junior's debut LP, *Ji* which featured the hit singles "Mama Used To Say," and "Too Late."

His second LP features the same core of musicians from the debut album. "Communication Breakdown" features crips, brass punctuation, a tight arrangement and a bright pop sound. "Women Say It" includes a new-wave type sound and "Baby I Want You Back" a real nice ballad that touches the soul.

In the future, Junior plans to write songs with Thin Lizzy's Phil Lynott; but for now, he is content with his style, for it is a sound that you can't put your finger on and you can't do without.

Regional Theatre Announces Cast For Premiere Production

The Southern Nevada Regional Theatre Company is very pleased to announce the selection of the cast for its upcoming production of "The Crucible" by noted American playwright Arthur Miller. The production, which will be performed at Chaparral High School Theatre under the direction of the company's own Bill Burson, has been in rehearsal for the past two weeks in anticipation of its Sept. 30 opening.

The 20-member cast includes many noted Las Vegas actors and actresses including Paul Thornton as John Proctor, Christian Fox as Deputy-Governor Danforth, Bill McKee as Reverend John Hale, Harl Klick as the Reverend Samuel Parris, Georgia Neu as Elizabeth Proctor, Jo-Ann Balabanick as Mary Warren, and KVBC Channel 3's Marla Martin as Abigail Williams. Others in the cast include Ray Saenz, Lara England, Jas Greenwood, Rock Vasilyev, J. Helm-Clark, Tracy Campbell, Will Cavanaugh, Lorene Mervis, Colette E. Robinson, Aaron Tranberg, Eileen Olson, Constance Delaney, and Jeff Barr.

The production, which opens Sept. 30, will play Fridays at 8 p.m. and Saturdays at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. through Oct. 15. Tickets for the production are \$7.50 on opening night, \$5 for all other performances, and can be purchased in advance by mail from the company offices, P.O. Box 400, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89125-0400. Tickets may also be purchased by seeing Becki at KPC Office Supply, 3631 West Sahara, or see Kemp at La Galleria de Cristal on the 2nd floor of the Imperial Palace shopping mall on the Las Vegas Strip. There is a \$1 discount for students and South-

ern Nevada Regional Theatre Company "Button" holders. Tickets purchased with a discount must be purchased in person with valid I.D. or button. Performances will be at the Chaparral Theatre,

Chaparral High School, 3850 Annie Oakley Dr. (off Sandhill and Twain).

For further information, please call the company offices at 737-7467.

COCA-COLA COMPANY SELLS PORTION OF STOCK IN NEW YORK TO COSBY

The Coca-Cola Company has sold a portion of its stock in The Coca-Cola Bottling Company of New York, Inc. to Bill Cosby. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

"It is only right I become a business partner with Coca-Cola USA," said Mr. Cosby, "since I have been a salesman for the Company for many years."

Mr. Cosby is the second person in recent

weeks to acquire stock in The Coca-Cola Bottling Company of New York, Inc. from The Coca-Cola Company. In July the Company announced a portion of New York Coke stock had been sold to businessman J. Bruce Liwellyn.

The Coca-Cola Company continues to own a majority of its original holdings in New York Coke.

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