

Entertainment

Philip Morris Superband to Begin Four-Country Tour

The Philip Morris Superband, an ensemble of world-class jazz greats will kick off its 1986 world tour in September with its first concert in Perth, Australia. Superband concerts will also be held in the Philippines, Japan and Canada.

Members of this year's Superband will include such jazz legends as Monty

is the music of love and excitement. The Superband reflects Philip Morris' support of this American tradition, which has gained worldwide appeal, and our commitment to the arts as a tool for greater world understanding."

The Philip Morris Superband will spend a month touring 14 cities in

Superband concerts will be presented by Asahi National Broadcasting Corporation, Ltd., which will produce a half-hour television special of one or more of the concerts.

Last year, the Superband, with many of the same artists, performed in nine European countries to great critical acclaim. Major cities on the tour included London, Paris, Milan, Munich, Madrid, Lisbon and The Hague.

The Philip Morris Superband was conceived and developed by the Philip Morris Jazz Grant in cooperation with Jazzmobile, Inc. The Philip Morris Jazz Grant was established in 1985 by Philip Morris International to promote and support jazz music and musicians. Jazzmobile, Inc. was founded in 1964 by the Harlem Cultural Council to bring free concerts and music series to culturally deprived areas and to develop programs emphasizing the preservation of "America's Classical Music." Dr. Billy Taylor, the internationally renowned pianist and jazz historian, is chairman and president of Jazzmobile, Inc.

Channel 5 to Air "Drugs: Your Right to Say No!"

A special one-hour documentary is set to air Friday, Sept. 26, at 8 pm on KVVU TV-5, Las Vegas. The program, produced by KVVU's Community Affairs Department, will examine the use and abuse of drugs among young people in Southern Nevada.

The program will feature interviews with local officials and drug experts, and highlights a special video-taped appearance by former drug addict Jevon Thompson, who recently made in-class appearances in local schools under the sponsorship of KVVU TV-5.

four countries and play 18 concerts. From Perth, the group will travel to Adelaide, Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane and Tweed Heads (Queensland), Australia. In the Philippines, they will play two concerts in Manila. In Japan, the Superband will visit Tokyo, Toyama, Osaka, Saitama, Chofu and Hamamatsu, and end up in Montreal, Canada where they will give two performances.

In Japan, the Philip Morris



SUPERBAND--(From left), Slide Hampton, trombone; Monty Alexander, piano; Jimmy Heath, saxophone and Kenny Washington, drums. Not in picture, Neils-Henning Orsted Pederson.

Alexander, piano; Slide Hampton, trombone; Jimmy Heath, Saxophone; Neils-Henning Orsted Pederson, bass, and Kenny Washington, drums, who will play in one group. Jimmy Smith, organ; James Moody, saxophone/flute; Jon Faddis, trumpet; Kenny Burrell, guitar and Grady Tate, drums, will perform together in a second group, along with vocalist Barbara Morrison.

The highly talented bassist George Mraz will replace Mr. Pederson in Canada. In Manila, the group will be joined by the Filipino-born jazz pianist Bobby Enriquez, who now lives in New York City.

"Music is the universal language," said Andrew Whist, vice president of Philip Morris International and president of the Philip Morris Jazz Grant, "and jazz



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