In Performance

Despite the usual specialities of February--Black History Month, Groundhog's Day--it looks like Baltimore/Washington will interject a characteristic of its own to make the month unique: more musical and dramatic entertainment than ever!

Baltimore

Big name entertainment coming to Baltimore is definitely on the rise, much to the approval of all. One example is that dynamic duo, **Hall and Oates.** Maintaining a sizable black audience over the years, since their first tune, "Sarah Smile" hit the charts, Hall and Oates have frequently been found musically on the rhythm and blues/soul charts. With backup hits, "Rich Girl," and "Kiss on My Lips," the team proved they belonged. However, it was their remake of the old Righteous Brothers--the original "honorary brothers"--"You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling" that anchored them in their place. The duo will be performing at the **Civic Center** Thursday, Feb. 10 at 8 p.m. Tickets are $9.50 and $10.50.

And following the "honorary brothers" will be the big soul brother of them all, **Mr. James Brown!** A long time absent from the B'more area, James Brown will be showing us how it all began when he does his thing at **Painters Mill Star Theatre** on Friday, Feb. 11. Appearing with James Brown will be **The Dells,** recorders of the classic, "Stay In My Corner". Tickets are $13.50 and showtime is 8 p.m.

Local talent is also on the move. At **The Sportsman's Lounge** on Gwynn Oak Avenue, **Dave and Marlene Ross** have been performing throughout the month of January. This weekend, Jan. 28 and 29, closes out their stint. Showtime 9 p.m.

And for a return engagement this month at **Lydell Mitchell's The Point After, It's Transparent Lady.** The outrageous transexual performers will be letting out the house as usual, Friday, Jan. 28.

At the **Soul Shack Restaurant it's Jennelle Fisher** and **Bill Harris,** tonight and tomorrow evening, Jan. 28 and 29. These impressive performers will begin their show around 9:30 p.m., but come a little early and enjoy some of the best "soul" food in Baltimore. The Soul Shack is located in Lexington Market, downtown, with a Greene Street entrance.

And come celebrate with **The Sensuous Man.** The exciting male dancers will be hosting an anniversary party at **Lydell Mitchell's The Point After** on Sunday, Feb. 6. With performances by the dancers, an erotica fashion show featuring exclusive lingerie, hors d'ourves, and much more, the party is open to the public. Tickets are $7 at the door, and the party begins at 5 p.m.

At the **Sportsman's Lounge** on Gwynn Oak Avenue, **Dave and Marlene Ross** will be entertaining the crowd every Friday and Saturday evening throughout the month of January. This is their last weekend so try not to miss them. Showtime varies, but usually begins around 9 p.m. There is no cover charge.

Interested in dance? **The Dance Menagerie** will be performing at the **Baltimore Museum of Art** on Thursday, Feb. 10. The Dance Menagerie is one of the most exciting African dance organizations in the area, so make it a point to stop by for a peek.

"It's Showdown Time" still has a week left in its run at the **Arena Playhouse.** A very funny story of black male/female relationships, and lack thereof, "It's Showdown Time" stars Cheryl Pasteur and Harold Cornish. The play will run through Feb. 6 and tickets are $8.

Washington

Tonight, for a special evening of romance, catch the performance at **Constitution Hall, Ray, Goodman & Brown, The Dells** and **The Chi-Lites**—all masters of the ballad--will be setting the mood. The show begins at 8 p.m. and tickets are $12 and $14. Listen for "Have You Seen Her?", "Stay In My Corner" and "Love So Right."

And **Nancy Wilson** will be closing out her stint at **Charlie's** in Georgetown. Her final shows will be tonight, Jan. 28 through Sunday, Jan. 30. For reservations, call 298-5985. Charlie's is located at 3223 K Street, NW.

Onstage in D.C. this week is the award winning play, **"Children Of A Lesser God".** This play, which features deaf performers and deals with the problems the deaf face daily, is one of the most poignant to come out of New York in quite some time. The show opens Feb. 1.

"Toyer", a new psychological thriller starring Brad Davis and Kathleen Turner will begin an extended engagement at the **Kennedy Center's Eisenhower Theatre** on Wednesday, Jan. 26 at 7:30 p.m. Brad Davis may be familiar to many having appeared in the movies, "Midnight Express," "Chariots of Fire" and "Roots (Part I). Kathleen Turner received much acclaim a while back for her performance in the film, "Body Heat." "Toyer" will run Monday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. with 2 p.m. matinees on Thursday and Saturday.

Coming soon to the Baltimore/Washington area will be **Johnny Mathis, Dionne Warwick, Prince, Vanity 6, The Time, B.B. King, Bobby Blue Band, Phoebe Snow, Diana Ross** and many, many more. For all the latest information, simply read IN PERFORMANCE!

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*Tickets on sale for this show only at all area Hecht Stores, Townsend Center, Baltimore Civic Center Box Office, Modern Music (Mondawin), Painter's Mill Box Office

Flicks

TIMERIDER (PG)–Fred Ward, Belinda Bauer, Richard Masur

A champion motorcyclist is sent back in time to the old West where he sparks the interest of an outlaw gang.

Baltimore: Hippodrome
12 N. Eutaw St., 539-4775
Randallstown
Liberty and Old Court Rd., 655-2067
Washington: Tenley Circle
4200 Wisconsin Ave., NW
2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00, 12:00

GANDHI (PG)–Ben Kingsley, Candice Bergen, Martin Sheen

The story of Mohandas Gandhi as a political organizer and spiritual leader.

Baltimore: Westview Cinema
6000 Baltimore National Pike, 747-3800
1:20, 4:50, 8:20
Senator
York Rd. at Belvedere, 435-8338
1, 4:45, 8:30
Washington: Uptown
3426 Connecticut Ave., NW
1, 4:30, 8:00

THE PERSONALS (PG)–Karen Landry, Bill Schoppert

Based on the current trend of dating through the classifieds.

Washington: Outer Circle
4849 Wisconsin Ave., NW
12:00, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12

THEY CALL ME BRUCE (PG)–Johnny Yune, Margaux Hemingway

Someone finally makes a true to life movie about the martial arts.

Baltimore: New
202 Park Ave., 727-7108
Randallstown
Liberty and Old Court Rd., 655-2067
1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30
Washington: K-B Studio
4600 Wisconsin Ave., NW, 686-1700
5:50, 7:40, 9:30
K-B Senator
3950 Minn. Ave., 398-3083
7:30

SOPHIE'S CHOICE (R)–Meryl Streep, Kevin Kline

The powerful story of a survivor of the Nazi concentration camps and the happiness she searches for in her future.

Baltimore: Liberty
Liberty and Old Court Rd., 655-2600
1, 4, 7, 8:30, 10
York Road Cinema
Opposite Stewart's, 377-4200
1, 4, 7, 10
Washington: K-B Cinema
5100 Wisconsin Ave., 363-1875
3:30, 7:00, 10:00

TOOTSIE (PG)–Dustin Hoffman, Jessica Lange, Bill Murray, Teri Garr

Dustin Hoffman is excellent as a down and out actor who challenges himself in his work and in his life when he impersonates a woman to get a job.

Baltimore: Westview Cinema
6000 Baltimore National Pike, 747-3800
1:50, 3:50, 5:50, 8, 10:05
Rotunda Cinemas
40th and Keswick Road, 235-1800
1, 3:10, 5:20, 7:40, 10:00
Washington: Avalon
5612 Connecticut Avenue, NW
2:50, 5:15, 7:45, 10:05, 12:20
K-B Fine Arts
1919 M Street, NW, 223-4438
5, 7:30, 9:50

THE VERDICT (R)--Paul Newman, Charlotte Rampling, Jaci Warden

Paul Newman sheds his sex symbol image to portray a fading lawyer who is given one last chance to redeem his career.

Baltimore: Westview Cinema
6000 Baltimore National Pike, 747-3800
1:20, 3:30, 5:40, 7:50, 10
Cinema Columbia City
Route 29, Columbia, 997-9010
2:15, 4:55, 7:30, 9:50
Washington: MacArthur
4859 MacArthur Blvd., NW, 337-1700
Outer Circle
4849 Wisconsin Ave., 244-3116
12:30, 2:45, 5:05, 7:30, 10:00, 12:00

48 HRS (R)–Nick Nolte, Eddie Murphy

The dynamic duo of Nolte and Murphy work together as a rough street cop and temporary parolee, respectively, to capture two cop killers.

Baltimore: Mayfair
508 N. Howard Street, 539-7128
Reisterstown Plaza
Reisterstown Rd. and Patterson Ave., 358-0500
1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30
Westview Cinema
6000 Baltimore National Pike, 747-3800
1:40, 3:15, 5, 6:40, 8:20, 10:05
Washington: Tenley Circle
4200 Wisconsin Avenue, NW
6, 8, 12, 10, 12
Embassy Circle
1927 Florida Ave., NW
6, 8, 10, 12
K-B Cerberus
3040 M Street, NW, 337-1311
1:30, 3:20, 5:20, 7:35, 9:35, 11:35

THE TOY (PG)–Richard Pryor, Jackie Gleason

Richard Pryor embarrasses himself as a "toy" bought for a poor little rich boy by his over-accommodating dad.

Baltimore: Howard
115 N. Howard Street, 539-6070
plus STIR CRAZY
Reisterstown Road Plaza
Reisterstown Rd. and Patterson Ave., 358-0500
1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:15, 9:15
Westview Cinema
6000 Baltimore National Pike, 747-3800
2, 4, 5:50, 7:50, 9:50
Washington: K-B Capitol Hill
507 8th St., SE, 547-1210
5:00, 7:20, 9:30
Lincoln
1215 U St., NW, 667-3000
7:50, 11:30
plus STIR CRAZY

THE DARK CRYSTAL (PG)–A Jim Henson production

An animated and special effects project nothing short of dazzling.

Baltimore: Liberty
Liberty and Old Court Road, 655-2600
2:15, 4:10, 6:40
Columbia Cinema
Route 29, 997-9010
1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:15, 9:15
Washington: Mac Arthur
4859 MacArthur Blvd., NW
1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30, 11:30

Miscellany

The **Great Atlantic Radio Conspiracy** is seeking volunteers to work on a weekly program. Experience is not necessary. Send a letter with your background and interests to Great Atlantic Radio Conspiracy, 2603 Talbot Road, Baltimore, Md. 21216.

"Health For All Seasons" a recipe tasting contest--will be held at the Culinary Arts Institute. Call Ms. Pennington, 685-7074, for date, time and location.

Maryland General Hospital is seeking **blood doners.** Doners and their families will be entitled to FREE replacement blood during hospitalization. Call 728-7900, ext. 2290.

Maryland Science Center needs volunteers to work as classroom teachers, science demonstrators, bus greeters, etc. Call 685-2370, ext. 278, ask for Ms. Holdiman.

GED classes--to help people obtain their high school equivalency credentials--will be held at the Community College at Baltimore, Harbor and Liberty campuses. Call 396-0380.

FREE posters describing exercises workers can do on the job. Call 383-4040.

Volunteer escorts needed to accompany mentally retarded adults on health related appointments. Call 323-5600.

Adults needed to tutor other adults who are functioning illiterates. Call Hannah Cooper-Ajanifuja at 396-0948.

Black Women's Consciousness Raising Association is sponsoring **"Fitness for Life"** program beginning in February. Call Ms. Simon, 685-9418, for more information.

Audition days for persons wishing to enter the BFA degree program in **dance at Towson State University** in the fall of 1983 have been scheduled: Jan. 29: 3-6 pm; Feb. 27; 2-5 pm; Mar. 19: 3-6 pm; April 17: 2-5 pm. Auditions will be held in

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