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## lindenwood college department of performing arts

presents

# an evening of chinese-style dance and theatre

april 28-29, 1989

jelkyl theatre

# the phoenix hairpin

a play in four scenes adapted from the full-length play of gone min and directed by tin shaw yi-chin

#### synopsis

the play centers on the conflict between love and duty suffered by the classical chinese poet **lu yeo**. the conflict depicted by this play inspired **lu yeo**'s immortal poems, including "the phoenix hairpin," from which the play takes its name.

scene 1: an outing

early spring, a.d. 1144. the shen's garden, san-yin.

scene 2: the marriage

two months later. the flower room at the lu residence.

scene 3: departure

a.d. 1147. the hide-away house.

scene 4: deep longing

late spring, a.d. 1185. the shen's garden.

#### cast

lu yeo (wu-kuan) . . . . . . jim freund t'ang wan (hui-hsian) . . . . . susan crain lu yeo's mother . . . . . anne wiley lu tsai (yuan chiung) . . . . brian wilson ch'iao-er, the maidservant . . tracey zerwig

# chinese traditional dances

choreographed by liu li-ying

1: in the royal palace of the ching dynasty

in the 17th century the manchus established the ching dynasty. china abandoned the stylish clothing of earlier times. the queen and the emperor's concubine wore gowns of manchurian origin.

wendy brotherlin tina fisher jill miller joan sandretto

2: ribbon dance

the silk ribbon represents rain, water, clouds and wind, and its movement depicts various emotions, such as happiness and sadness.

liu li-ying

3: worship dance

this tibetan dance is marked by a devotional and pious mood. brian wilson tim richey tina fisher jill miller wendy brotherlin

4: banquet dance

the chinese have long been noted for their hospitality, and in this dance they celebrate the welcoming of guests. the banquet dance is sometimes called the dance of "chopsticks, cups and dishes." for this dance women wear the feng hsien dress.

> tracey zerwig liu li-ving netsa fissehazion debbie buchanan jennifer lea demorlis

merry fissehazion

\*\*\*intermission \*\*\*

# modern dances

choreographed by hsieh mei-shih

1: three roses debbie buchanan jennifer lea demorlis tracey zerwig

> an enthusiastic woman hsieh mei-shih

> > 3: flute

a flautist creates many devils out of his music. brian wilson wendy brotherlin tina fisher tracey zerwig jennifer lea demorlis debbie buchanan carole justice toshiaki suzuki akira maruyama

4: a key to the heart

a girl begs a buddhist for help, but he keeps shut his evil heart, in which many devils are found. joan sandretto brian wilson wendy brotherlin tina fisher tracey zerwig jennifer lea demorlis debbie buchanan carole justice toshiaki suzuki akira maruyama

> 5: tender love hsieh mei-shih

6: umbrella

tim richey joan sandretto netsa fissehasion merry fissehazion jill miller carole justice

7: chinese water sleeve

the long sleeve displays the women's happiness, sadness and deep hurt.

white: hsieh mei-shih

blue: wendy brotherlin tracey zerwig jennifer lea demorlis debbie buchanan pink: tina fisher jill miller joan sandretto

### production staff

set and lighting designer . . . . gregg hillmar, usaa costumes..... national taiwan academy of art, chinese han-sen drama party additional costumes . . . . . . . . . niki juncker stage managers....heather glenn, connie f. fine production manager . . . . . . . karen s. delaney sound control . . . . . . . . . kyle struckmann lighting control . . . . . . . . . . . . . karen s. delaney additional costume construction. . tracey zerwig, susan crain, chris nakken, diane schwartz, stacey higgenbotham, jennifer gulley, tonia simms poster and program art . . . . . . art 314 class: alsharif s. adnan, kim freese, li chih-ning, vicki merz, jill miller, tracy ostmann, diane schwartz, john wehmer promotion . . . . . . . . . . . . anne wiley house manager . . . . . . . . . . . . . connie f. fine box office . . . . . . . . connie f. fine-manager, wendy brotherlin, jeff sahm, heidi hunt

production advisors . . . dan alkofer, beckah voigt, marsha parker, bryan reeder

special production support . . . . . . wilda swift,
phyllis a. morris
marilyn keck
christine cordes



following the performance, you are invited to the president's house for a reception honoring the director, the choreographers and the performers.

# liu li-ying hsieh mei-shih

these three women are professional members of the faculty of the national taiwan academy of art.

this evening of chinese-style dance and theatre
is the performance component of their culminating projects
leading to the master of arts degree
in theatre and performing at lindenwood.

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the imperial china restaurant, st. charles
the red sea restaurant, university city

the master's exhibition of the paintings of li chih-ning is currently hanging in the lounge gallery of the fine arts building. paintings from this exhibition are on display this evening in the hallway outside jelkyl theatre.

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THEATER

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