

TRIBUTE!

THE YWCA SALUTES WOMEN

DECEMBER 4, 1986

WELCOME

Teresa Decker

MUSICAL PROGRAM

Grand Rapids Symphony

Catherine Comet, Conductor

BRAVO! TO THE SYMPHONY

Phyllis Vega

PRESENTATION OF TRIBUTE AWARDS

Emily Fuerste

RECEPTION

St. Cecilia Ballroom



TRIBUTE CONCERT
December 4, 1986 7:00 p.m.
Royce Auditorium

Catherine Comet, Conductor

Excerpts will be played from the following:

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| Vivaldi | "Winter" from <i>The Four Seasons</i> for Violin and Orchestra, Opus 8, No. 4 *Steven Smith, Violin |
| Stravinsky | <i>Danses concertantes</i> for Chamber Orchestra |
| Haydn | Symphony No. 60 in C Major "Il distratto" |
| William Bolcom | Commedia for (almost) 18th Century Orchestra |

*Soloist

1986 TRIBUTE AWARD WINNERS

CURRENT DISTINGUISHED CONTRIBUTORS

CORINNE CAREY: *(Peace)*

"Peacism in Action" is a phrase that has been used to describe Corinne's life-long commitment. Locally, Corinne is a founding member of both Peace Links and Educators for Social Responsibility, and assisted in collection and display of the Grand Rapids contribution to the Peace Ribbon Project. On the state and national levels, she has conducted workshops on Peace Education, and was an active supporter of the Great Peace March for Global Nuclear Disarmament. Looking back on her teaching career, Corinne sees that, "teaching children to celebrate life" was a natural expression of her commitment to peace on this planet.

JOYCE E. COLON: *(Business/Community Service)*

Joyce's success in the business world is something she has consistently and devotedly shared with others through her community involvement. Counseling minority and small business persons is one of Joyce's top priorities, as is her concern about minority youth issues, as evidenced by her involvement with the Baxter Community Center. Since 1980, Joyce has been affiliated with Westinghouse Electric Corporation where she is currently Manager of Strategic Marketing. Joyce is cited in the 1981-82 edition of "Who's Who Among American Women."

MARIA MENDOZA: *(Farmworkers' Rights)*

A migrant child herself, Maria grew up with a personal understanding of the educational, social, and legal disadvantages of migrant and settled out farmworkers. In addition to raising a large family, Maria was employed over the years by the Coopersville Migrant Education Program, the Hispanic Center, and the Migrant Legal Assistance Project. A tireless volunteer, Maria's kindness and generosity have provided food, housing, and encouragement to literally hundreds of needy farmworkers. Maria died on Saturday, November 15, 1986, and will be sadly missed.

SHIRLEY K. PERKINS: *(Education)*

A recently retired Grand Rapids Public Schools elementary school principal, Shirley has devoted her over 30 years to leadership roles with groups addressing education, the arts, children, world affairs, and civil rights. Her concerns about literacy and the quality of education led to her appointment to the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges on which she currently serves as Vice-Chairperson. Shirley is the area chairperson of the United Negro College Fund, and was instrumental in establishing a literacy and teen pregnancy focus as an officer of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. The Grand Rapids Art Museum and the United Way of Kent County are also beneficiaries of Shirley's volunteer efforts.

DISTINGUISHED LIFE CONTRIBUTORS

NELLE CURRY: (Arts)

At 91, Nelle is an alert and active woman who has devoted many years to sharing her writing talents with students who today, though scattered across the country, still credit Nelle with giving them inspiration and direction. Nelle was responsible for the establishment of the library at Davenport College, and has been an enthusiastic supporter of the Grand Rapids Civic Theater since its beginnings, at times writing reviews for the Grand Rapids Herald. A former board member, Nelle's involvement with the Grand Rapids Art Museum also spans the decades.

LUCILLE SKINNER: (Community Service)

Involvement with the YWCA was a part of Lucille's life even before she arrived in Grand Rapids in 1928. She served on the staff of the YWCA in Kansas City, Missouri, and as a volunteer, provided transportation to the Y for youngsters. Most recently, she served as Honorary Co-chairperson of this year's Capital Funds Drive for the Child Sexual Abuse Treatment Center. Her long and active career as a volunteer has benefited many local groups, including Child Haven, Senior Employment Service, and the NAACP. Lucille's special involvement with the NAACP was developing membership in that organization. She has also served her church, St. Philip's Episcopal, for many years and for that service was awarded the Bishop's Cross.

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Kay Dodge
Mary Ann Ferrere
Phyllis Gifford
Marjory Koster
Jean McKee
Rosemary Murphy
Dorothy Newman
Peggy Yvonne Rhodes
Ella Sims
Jean Wolfe

1979

Eula Black
Sue Blandford
Bobbie Butler
Diane Fray
Joyce Gerrard
Vivian Lewis
Barbara Nicholson
Florence Peterson
Billie Pharms
Jeanette St. Clair

1982

Dawn Bush Anderson
Donna Jean Carter
Anne Mulder
Jennifer Eileen Franklin
Wendy Stock
Sister Marie Michael Jacobs
Carol Landheer
Zoraida Sanchez
Ara Charbonneau Cary
Marie Mylan

1984

Helen Claytor
Grace Eldering, Sc.D.
Dorothy Rothfuss
Marlene Kapugia
Rachel Bowman
Ginny Boersma
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