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Prior to its Sydney season (See In Brief page four) MARIO MAYA's flamenco dance company will play at the Playhouse on March 7th

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Aarne Neeme has directed CANBERRA REP's first production for 1984, Alan Ayckbourn's JUST BETWEEN OURSELVES which opened on February 2 and continues until February 25 at Theatre3. It is a beautiful, funny and sad play which presents tragedy using the techniques of farce.

RAMLI IBRAHIM IN INDIAN CLASSICAL DANCE

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470 Kent Street, Sydney A Midsummer Night's Dream by William Shakespeare Commences February 11

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GRIFFIN THEATRE COMPANY (333 817) Stables Theatre, 10 Nimrod Street, Kings

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The Maltese Ford Falcon and Renee Geyer Until March 17

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NEW THEATRE (519 3403) 542 King Street, Newtown The Money or the Box?

devised by NIDA 3rd year students Until middle March

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Peta Lily and David Glass February 27 to March 11 \$1.00

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March 8, 9, 10 ** \$1.00

\$2.00

Downstairs: Female Parts by Dario Fo and Franca Rame Until February 19

** \$2.00

STUDIO SYDNEY AT THE REX

771 3333) Rex Hotel, 58 Macleay Street, Potts Point

Threshold Theatre Company: After Eleven by Victor Bumbalo Commences February 23 Late Night Show: One Act Theatre

Company Being Nice by Errol Bray Commences March 2

SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE (20588)

Concert Hall London Philharmonic Orchestra March 9 & 10 ** \$7.00 Band of the Coldstream Guards March 12

\$4.00 Drama Theatre: Philippe Genty Company of Puppets

Round as a Cube Commences March 13 \$3.00

SYDNEY SAILORS HOME (273 274) 106-108 George Street, The Rocks Playbox Theatre Company:

Can Give You a Good Time by Gilly Fraser Until February 26 \$1 00

Marionette Theatre of Australia:

Commences March 2 ** \$1.00

SYDNEY THEATRE COMPANY

Drama Theatre, Sydney Opera House Insignificance by Terry Johnson Until February 25
** \$1.00 (Mon-Thurs & Sat mat)

Recording Hall:

The Conquest of Carmen Miranda by Robyn

Commences March 14
** \$1.00 (Mon-Thurs & Sat mat)
\$2.00 (April 24) Theatre Royal Nicholas Nickleby Until February 25

\$10.00

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Fraser which continues until February 12. It is followed on February 21 by US AND THEM by Ned Manning, a play about the education system. The play is directed by Alan Becher and artists appearing include Penny Cook (Mary in COUNTRY PRACTICE), Patrick Phillips, Peter Callan, Mark Butler, John Farndale and Kim Antonios. Performances are presented Wednesday to Saturday at 8.15 p.m. and Sunday at 5.30 p.m. Following a season at the Festival of Perth

Stables Theatre once again after its spring

recess with SUMMERTIME BLUES by Grant

one of the world's great flamenco dancers. MARIO MAYA, will appear at the Seymour Centre between March 8 and 10. He will present, with his company of two singers, two guitarists and three dancers AY! JONDO, a musical and choreographic setting of the persecution of the gypsy people, and by analogy the question of all other ethnic minorities.

SAMARKAND THEATRE COMPANY

which had its first season at the Tom Mann Theatre last year currently has two plays in repertory at the Bondi Pavilion Theatre. VINEGAR TOM by Caryl Churchillis a historical play with a difference. It deals with the persecution of women in the name of witch-

THE GRIFFIN THEATRE is back at the craft and shows how fear of female sexuality was one of the driving forces behind that persecution. Pam Gem's PIAF is probably already familiar to many Members. The play spans the whole of Piat's professional career with eight of her most loved songs woven into the dramatic action. The plays continue until February 25

> THRESHOLD THEATRE COMPANY continues at the Rex Hotel, Kings Cross with Victor Bumbalo's NIAGARA FALLS until February 19. It is followed on February 23 by another play by the same author - AFTER ELEVEN - two one act farces of gay manners. The plays will be directed by David Stuart and play Tuesday to Saturday at 8.15 and Sunday at 5.30 p.m.

Playing late night at the Rex Hotel from March 2nd to 24th is ONE ACT THEATRE COMPANY, a new company established to present new Australian one act plays and to give experience to young actors from youth theatres such as Australian Theatre for Young People and PACT. Their first play will be BEING NICE by Errol Bray and concerns the conventions of family living. It plays Friday and Saturday at 11 p.m.

During the next few weeks the Cleveland Street PERFORMANCE SPACE will be host to a number of artists.

Dehler from the Oslo based experimental theatre group, Teater Beljash will present one-man performance, THE NIGHT AL THE FOOL: Dance Network, an association of young and independent choreographers will present their first season; One Extra Company will present a season of New Directions in Dance Threatre choreographed by Kai Tai Chan; and Peta Lily and David Glass, solo mime artists working in the U.K., will present two programmes which have received considerable interest.

Now on at KINSELAS is a Giant Double Bill, THE MALTESE FORD FALCON, a spoof on the film "The Maltese Falcon" and written by the team that produced BALMAIN BOYS DON'T CRY with rhythm and blues singer Renee Geyer in a programme of soul chacha. For this season only Kinselas are offering a show-dinner package ticket with only a limited number of theatre only tickets for sale. Following in mid March will be a season by the Cambridge Footlights (more details in March Trust News).

The highly acclaimed production of NICHOLAS NICKLEBY will continue to play at the Theatre Royal until February 25th. During this two week extension Trust Members receive a \$10 concession on each Christoph of two tickets.

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