

TORONTO PICKS UP MUSICAL

"Charlottetown/Musical Hits The Lights at Maple Leaf Gardens... Audience of 15,000."

Singin' & Dancin' Tonight, the smash hit musical from The Charlottetown Festival, has been selected as the feature entertainment for the Rotary International 1983 Convention, June 5, at the Maple Leaf Gardens.

The Festival's Director of Theatre, Gary Craswell, said today the show will play to an estimated 15,000 delegates from Rotary organizations around the world. The Maple Leaf Garden's engagement comes on the heels of a major seven city Canadian tour of Singin' & Dancin' TONIGHT, which includes six weeks at Toronto's prestigious Royal Alexandra Theatre, as well as runs in Vancouver, Regina, Winnipeg, Kitchener, Hamilton and Ottawa.

Howard Cable Productions of Toronto is arranging entertainment for Rotary at their first international convention to be held in Canada in nearly 20 years. Mr. Cable said Thursday that representatives of Rotary attended a performance of Singin' & Dancin' TONIGHT during its run at the 1982 Charlottetown Festival at Confederation Centre of the Arts.

"They returned to Toronto and said that's exactly what they wanted to welcome delegates to their first day in Toronto," said Mr. Cable

The performance will be the highlight of the convention's opening ceremonies, which will also include the presentation of Rotary International's incoming president from Japan.

Mr. Cable produced Rotary's last Canadian production 20 years ago, a

music/dance production on ice at Maple Leaf Gardens.

Singin' & Dancin' TONIGHT is considered the most elaborate musical entertainment ever produced by the Charlottetown Festival since its inception in 1965. The show features the best in Canadian popular recording artist and composers, set to the choreography of Artistic Director Alan Lund and his wife, Blanche Lund. TONIGHT was conceived by Alan Lund, with musical direction by Fen Watkin, sets by Lawrence Schafer, costumes by Frances Defoe, lighting by Ronald Montgomery and orchestrations and arrangements by Howard Cable.

Dear Editor:

I thought that Rocco Marguzzian's predictions were uncannily excellent. Why, Joe Clark has already been dumped as leader of the P.C.s. (He doesn't have a hope in hell in the leadership convention). And who else is there to replace him, but Gary Webster. It's so obvious, c'est un fait accompli! By the way, I heard that talks are continuing between U.P.E.I. and the Expos. Apparently, U.P.E.I. want to throw in a Dean (or Director) in the Meincke-Fryman deal, but the Expos are sticking to their guns.

I Remain,
Right Behind Rocco.

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