

# Five Candid Conversations With Lillian Hellman

Lillian Hellman is acknowledged to be one of America's foremost playwrights. Her personal life has drawn as much publicity, and sometimes controversy, as her professional life. She speaks frank-

ly about both in *Profile: Lillian Hellman*, a five-part conversation with the author beginning Sunday, August 16 at 6:30 p.m. On Center Channel 4.

Hellman, author of such acclaimed plays as "The Little Foxes," "Watch on the Rhine," and "The Children's Hour" and such critically praised books as "An Unfinished Woman," "Scoundrel Time" and "Penitence," talks with veteran broadcast journalist Marilyn Berger about her literary, political and personal life. Also featured in the series are video presentations that create a mosaic of the people

and places of importance to Hellman.

In the first program, Hellman tells of her early days as a struggling young playwright, her first taste of success and the toll it took on her emotions, her experience writing for the movies in Hollywood, and her opinion of the popular film "Julia," which was based on her autobiographical story of the same name.

Hellman reveals how she finally discovered the fate of her friend Julia's child — a mystery that had haunted her for more than 30 years. Also featured in the program is a tour of Hellman's New York

apartment and intriguing photographs from her private collection.

In the second program, Hellman recalls her long relationship with writer Dashiell Hammett. She explains how Hammett influenced her writing and tells of the happy years they spent together on Hard Scrabble Farm in Pleasantville, New York. "Dash had a mistaken belief that there was plenty of time for everything," Hellman confides, "and, of course, there wasn't."

During the third program in the "Profile" series, Hellman speaks freely of the McCarthy era in American history and tells of her testimony before the House Committee of Un-American Activities in 1952. She explains her view that Watergate had its roots in McCarthyism and says that when she thinks of that time, she is "torn between laughter and tears."

The fourth program focuses on the hardships Hellman had to endure as a

result of the stand she took before the House Committee — hardships that included the loss of her beloved Hard Scrabble Farm. She tells of the mysterious appearance of more than 100 deer outside her study window a few days before she and Hammett left the farm for good. "It was the most mysterious and beautiful thing I have ever known," she says, "as if a farewell party, a gift, had been given us."

In the final program Hellman offers a startling overview of her life, accomplishments, and the evolution of her philosophy. She explains her ideas of the women's movement, abortion, religion, love, honor and courage, and gives an evaluation of her own success as a writer. "Americans are brought up to believe that we're all going to be very happy," she says. "It's a pleasant and optimistic thought and nice that we have it. But we pay a very high price for it."

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7:00	Kenneth Copeland	Jerry Falwell	30 Minutes		Jimmy Swaggart	World Tomorrow	James Robison	Dr. D. James Kennedy
7:15	"	"	Fat Albert		"	Spiritual Awakening	It Is Written	"
7:30	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
7:45	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
8:00	Rex Humbard	Kenneth Copeland	Mighty Mouse		Frederick K. Price	Robert Schuller	Three Stooges	Gospel Expo
8:15	Oral Roberts	"	Heckle Jeckle		"	Church Of Our Fathers	& Friends	Show My People
8:30	"	"	Goodbye		"	"	"	"
8:45	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
9:00	Sunday Morning	Jim Bakker	Sunday Morning		Dr. Jerry Falwell	Oral Roberts	Lost In Space	Jimmy Swaggart
9:15	"	"	"		"	Rex Humbard	"	"
9:30	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
9:45	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
10:00	"	Jerry Falwell	"		Car Care	Day Of Discovery	Hazel	Robert Schuller
10:15	Day Of Discovery	"	Gospel Jubilee		Central Theater I: "Blondie"	Dimensions 5	Theatre:	"
10:30	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
10:45	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
11:00	M. Efron's Sunday School	Jimmy Swaggart	"		Meets The	First	"	Help
11:15	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
11:30	Face The Nation	"	Tony Brown		Boss	Presbyterian Church	"	Yourself TV8 Report
11:45	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
12:00	Movie: "Follow The Leader"	Herald Of Truth Meet The Press	Face The Nation F.Y.I.		Theatre II: "Fort Worth"	Issues & Answers Pro & Con	"	Issues & Answers Pro & Con
12:15	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
12:30	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
12:45	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
1:00	"	American Lifestyles National Geographic	Matinee: "Getting Away From It All"	Firing Line	"	Big Movie: "Genesis II"	Untouchables	Showcase: "The Deerslayer"
1:15	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
1:30	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
1:45	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
2:00	A Girl In My Soup	Movie: "Bandido"	U.S. Clay Court	Masterpiece Theatre	Theatre III: "To"	Southern Sportsman	Atlanta Braves	"
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2:45	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
3:00	Movie: "Alvarez"	"	Tennis	All Creatures Great & Small	To Kill Mockingbird	Long Driving Champion PGA Championship	"	Wild Kingdom PGA Championship
3:15	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
3:30	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
3:45	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
4:00	Kelly	Sportsworld	"	Julia Child	"	"	"	"
4:15	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
4:30	"	"	CBS Sports Sunday	Victory Garden	Movie: "To Be"	"	This Week In Baseball	"
4:45	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
5:00	"	"	"	Building w/The Sun Wall Street Week	Or Not To Be	"	Last Of The Wild Wrestling	"
5:15	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
5:30	"	Wild Kingdom	"	"	"	"	"	"
5:45	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
6:00	News 2	Montage	CBS News	N. Carolina People Spoleto 81	Playhouse 5: "Sword Of Lance lot"	"	"	"
6:15	CBS News	NBC News	Reel Perspective	"	"	"	Nice People	"
6:30	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
6:45	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
7:00	60 Minutes	Disney	60 Minutes	Run America Run A Time Past	"	Those Amazing Animals	Tush	Those Amazing Animals
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7:30	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
7:45	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
8:00	Archie Bunkers One Day At A Time	Chips	Archie Bunkers One Day At A Time	Evening At Pops	Lawrence Welk	ABC Movie: "The Bible... In The"	Atlantic City Alive	ABC Movie: "The Bible... In The"
8:15	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
8:30	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
8:45	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
9:00	Alice	Big Event: "Follow Me Boys" Pt. 2	Alice	Masterpiece Theatre	Merv Griffin	Beginning	TBA	Beginning
9:15	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
9:30	Jeffersons	"	Jeffersons	"	"	"	"	"
9:45	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
10:00	Trapper John	"	Trapper John	Wodehouse Playhouse Butterflies	News	"	TBS News	"
10:15	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
10:30	"	"	"	"	American Lifestyle	"	"	"
10:45	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
11:00	News	Carol Burnett Jim Bakker	News CBS News Monte Carlo	Twilight Zone	Movie: "Back Street Disaster"	News ABC News Late Movie: "Scared"	Caribbean Nights Open Up	News ABC News T. Brown's Journal
11:15	CBS News Baratta	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
11:30	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
11:45	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
12:00	"	Charles Young	Gunsmoke	"	"	"	TBS Theatre:	Journal
12:15	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
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12:45	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"

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