



ENTERTAINMENT A10

'Evening in the Neighborhood' provides backyard music

In July and August, if you hear music outside and are just about to tell your neighbors to "turn it down" — wait . . . It just may be Urban Arts of the Arts Council has come to your

own backyard.

And you won't have to dress up or fight the traffic! And to make it especially nice, its free for the whole family.

Summer is the perfect time to

program will bring local bands and performers to recreation centers, libraries and parks throughout the area. The concerts include performances of jazz, blue grass, gospel, top 40, rhythm and blues and beach music. Everyone is encouraged to bring their lawn chairs, blankets and picnic baskets.

What better way to end neighborhood barbecues, pool parties or cleanup projects than to close the day with a concert? Evenings in the Neighborhood provides that rare opportunity to spend some time with family and friends and relax after the hustle and bustle of the day listening to great music provided by popular local bands.

For those of you who enjoy the contemporary pop sounds of today's music, you can catch the

Phase Band. If the cool rhythms of jazz is more your style you can find the Matt Kendrick Unit performing in both July and August. And if you prefer the smooth, sultry sounds of R&B, you can catch Breeze and Choyce at different locations throughout the summer.

So pull out that blanket and get everyone together to enjoy some great music!

And don't forget — this Friday night Urban Arts is presenting an evening of dance, drama and spiritual music at the The Arts Council Theatre beginning at 8:00 pm.

This special night features performances by The Badgett Sisters, an a cappella trio, Chuck Davis and The African-American Dance Ensemble, and a special preview of scenes from "Deliver Me Up," a new gospel drama

written by Nathan Ross Freeman and featuring John Heath. Tickets are \$5.00 in advance, \$6.00 at the door and \$4.00 for groups of

ten (10) or more.

For more information concerning the programs listed above please call (919) 722-5293.

ARTS REACH

By REGGIE JOHNSON



neighborhood to give you a special night of entertainment. At sixteen different sites in Winston-Salem and Forsyth County the "Evenings in the Neighborhood" program will provide an opportunity for families to attend a performing arts happening in their

set aside an evening or two and get the family together for a night of fun and music. Urban Arts of the Arts Council has made it easy by bringing the "fun and music" to you. On Mondays and Wednesdays at 7:00 pm, the Evenings in the Neighborhood

'Narnia' to be presented locally

C.S. Lewis's story of "The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe" was rewritten as a musical entitled "Narnia" by Jules Tascia, Ted Drachman, and Thomas Tierney. The tale was penned for children, and the North Carolina Creative Children's Theatre will present "Narnia" on June 28 at 8:00 p.m. and on Saturday, June 29 at 2:00 and 8:00 p.m. at the Redeemer Presbyterian Auditorium on Miller Street. The show climaxes six months of training for NCCCT students, most of whom have had no prior experience in theatre. To exhibit the excellent talents possessed by Winston-Salem youth, ages 4-16, "Narnia" affords that opportunity.

Fourteen year old Aska Smith has a tremendous tenor voice and sings the leading role of Aslan, the lion. Five year old Elizabeth Tammer and ten year old Erin Binkley share the role of Lucy, the inquisitive, caring child while the evil White Witch is portrayed by Maisha Bates and P. J. Amos. Boy soprano, Anthony "Chaun" Barr sings and enacts the mischievous, negative Edmund. Other roles include: Samone Dickey and Sala Hughes, Susan; Jabbo Hughes and Christopher Astrop, Peter; Thomas Bell, Mr. Beaver; Erin Hughes and April Astrop, Mrs. Beaver; Amina Fields and Takeiah Galloway, Tumnus; Sarah Lohmeyer, Fenris Ulf; Ashley Holladay, Drawf; Bryan Lambacker, Professor; Tekeiah Galloway, Mrs. McCreedy; Aisha Fields, Mrs. Christmas and Cruelie; Kofi Bates and Stephanie Holladay, special dancers/white stags; Tuere Hughes, Reindeer; Maya Fields, Gorgon; Michael Trent Brady, Specter; August Banner-Wood, Ogre; Briggett Wright, Eagle; Zac Taylor, Bull, Jocelyn Casdorff, Owl; Stephanie Stewart, Fox; and Danielle Wright, Unicorn. Additional characters include: Squirrel, Centaur, Leopard, Dryad, Boggle, Hag and Naiads.

"Narnia" is just one of seven C.S. Lewis stories. All of them are rich in Christian symbolism and theological themes that are not over done but creatively interwoven throughout the fairy tale presentation. They seem to focus on everyday life rather than key events in the Bible; however, children seem to recognize that there is a second level in the tales.

The delightful musical fantasy focuses on the basic struggles between good and evil while telling the adventures of four ordinary children in an extraordinary land filled with colorful animal characters that symbolize and epitomize Biblical concepts.

NCCCT looks for audiences to be delighted by the talented children performing and the educational, enriching story the "Narnia" presents. Youth groups and organizations who focus on children and teens are given excellent material

information, issues, and challenges. The performance is for the public, and ticket prices are \$5.00

for adults and \$3.00 for children. Call (919) 724-9387 for reservations or additional information.

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