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Welcome to the Ice Theatre's 1996 Holiday Party. This party has been designed for you to have fun, see a spectacular show and take a chance on winning some fabulous prizes. We thank you for joining us and we thank you for your support. The proceeds from this evening will help fund performances and the development of choreographic work throughout the 1996-97 season.

Tonight we are especially pleased to present the first performance, by the Ice Theatre ensemble, of a dance on ice by the distinguished choreographer, Lar Lubovitch, commissioned by a grant from the Greenwall Foundation.

I join our founder, Moira North, the Board, the staff, all the wonderful volunteers and our talented Ice Theatre company in welcoming you again.

Happy Holidays to all. Have fun!

Warm regards,

Leo R. Yochim Chairman '96

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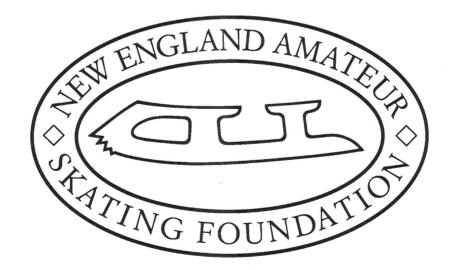
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Lar Lubovitch

Lar Lubovitch founded the Lar Lubovitch Dance Company 28 years ago and has choreographed more than 50 dances for the company. Based in New York City, the company has performed in virtually all 50 states of this country as well as in more that 30 foreign countries throughout the world. Currently, the company is focusing on creating dances in New York (rather than on touring). His dances have also been performed by many other major companies, such as American Ballet Theater, the New York City Ballet and Paris Opera Ballet. Last year he taught his renowned dance *A Brahms Symphony* to ABT. During 1996-1997, three major American dance companies (the Lar Lubovitch Dance Company, ABT and San Francisco Ballet) have joined in an unprecedented collaboration to coproduce an original evening-length ballet version of *Othello* by Lar Lubovitch, to premiere at the Metropolitan Opera House in May 1997.

Mr. Lubovitch, one of the country's most versatile and popular choreographers, has also made a notable contribution to choreography in the field of ice dancing, having created dances for Olympic skaters John Curry, Dorothy Hamill, Jojo Starbuck and Peggy Fleming, as well as an ice dancing version of Tchaikovsky's *The Sleeping Beauty* for British TV. In 1995 his ice dancing film The Planets-featuring Canadian Olympic skaters Isabelle and Paul Duchesnay and Brian Orser--was broadcast on A & E-TV and nominated for an International Emmy Award. This year he choreographed two new ice dances for Paul Wylie, a duet for Rene Roca and Gorsha Sur and tonight's premiere for Ice Theatre of New York.

Mr. Lubovitch made his Broadway debut with the musical staging for the Sondheim/Lapine musical *Into the Woods* for which he received a **Tony Award** nomination. In 1994 he received the **Astaire Award** for the current Broadway revival of *The King and I*.

Program

"Mantra"

An Ice Theatre class piece Choreography: James Schilling

Music: Mantra

Ensemble Skaters:

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"Broadway Baby"

Choreography: Bonnie Retzkin & JoJo Starbuck

Music: Steven Sondheim Skater: Emily Hughes

"Mirage"

Choreography: Alexander Zhulin Music: Renee Aubry

Skaters: Tatiana Navka and Nikolay Morozov

"Energy"

Choreography: Akop Manoukian and Ari Zakarian

Music: Take No One

Skaters: Akop Manoukian and Ari Zakarian

"Real Ice of Space"

Choreography: Sergei Korovin Skaters: Marina Halturina and Andrey Kruvkov

"Gershwin Variations" A world premiere ice dance by Lar Lubovitch

Music: George Gershwin

This piece is made possible by The Greenwall Foundation's Oscar M. Ruebhausen Commission

Rialto Rag Fascinating Rythym Lady Be Good S'Wonderful Somebody Loves Me Do it Again

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