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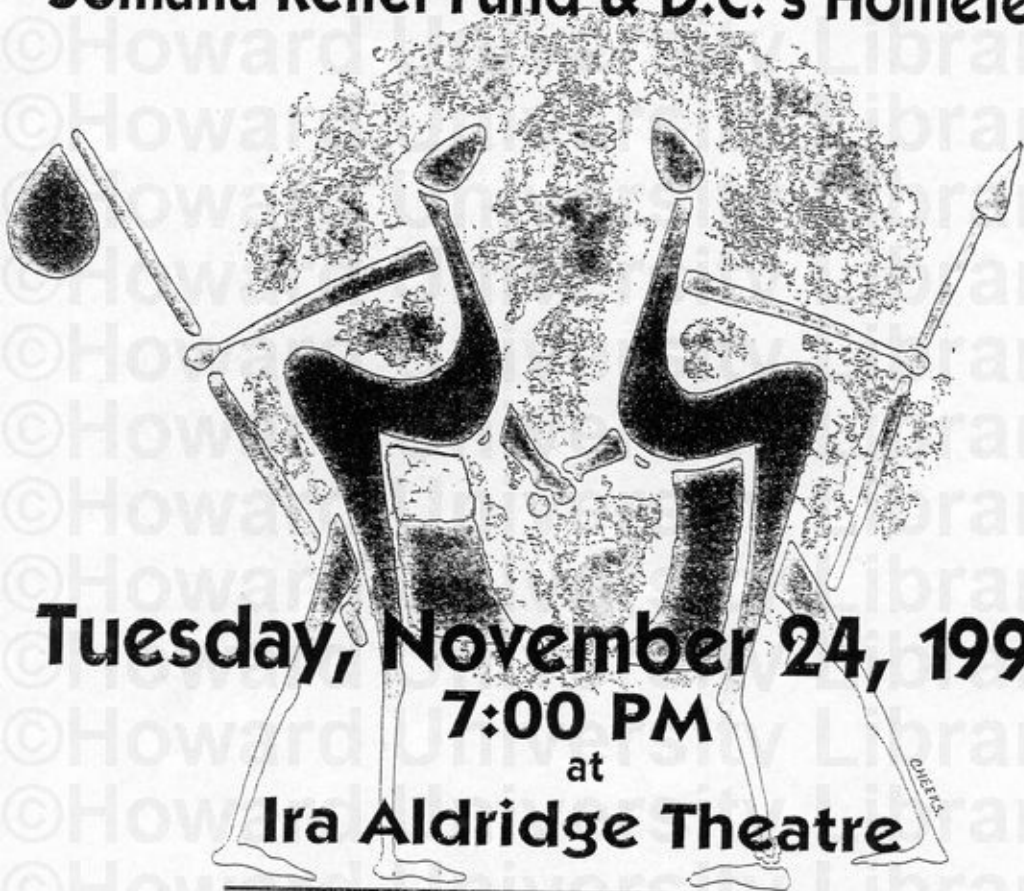
"Souls of A Common Bond"

A Benefit Performance

Howard Players & D.I.V.A., Inc.

with proceeds going to

Somalia Relief Fund & D.C.'s Homeless



Tuesday, November 24, 1992

7:00 PM

at

Ira Aldridge Theatre

Tickets \$10.00 at Cramton Auditorium

Donations can be made payable to Howard Players

For information call 806-7050/51



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Howard University's, Howard Players and D.I.V.A. Incorporated present a benefit performance "Souls Of A Common Bond" with proceeds to help aid Somalia relief and D.C. Homeless. Our purpose for the benefit is to help support current efforts in aiding the devastation in Somalia and the unbridled situation of the homeless in D.C., which brought both organizations together with the common concern of giving, more than a feeling. Our hopes are to create an African extravaganza of art, music and dance. "Souls Of A Common Bond" offers for the community a sense of awareness for people who choose to give to others as a way of expressing personal thankfulness for God's blessings in life.

Howard Players is a student production company based in the College of Fine Arts. It began as a drama club in 1907 and in 1925 it became the Howard Players. Having been created to establish a National Black Theatre where the black playwright, actor, musician, dancer, artist etc., can work in concert to fashion a drama that will win the respect and admiration of the world, our on going purpose has been to function as a major artist organization. Not only at Howard University, but in the Washington, D.C. community, and within the realm of theatre everywhere. We are about the creation of a professional aesthetic, celebrating the lives and addressing the concerns of all persons belonging to the Afrikan Diaspora, in order to dispel apathy and acquire discipline, confidence, proficiency, and respect for ourselves, and our respective field of craft.

D.I.V.A. (Divine, Intelligent, Versatile, Artist) Incorporated is a society for women in the arts, established in 1983 by six women of Howard University alumni. D.I.V.A.'s foundation rests on six essential principles: Discipline, Womanhood, Creativity, Unity, Self-Enrichment, and Sisterhood. These are the qualities of character which the organization believes exemplifies a DIVA woman. D.I.V.A. is dedicated to the enhancement of women, community and public service through the arts. Our desire is to create a premier women networking system. The aesthetic and educational problems of these times are major concerns which D.I.V.A. Incorporated wish to address by using our talents to inspire, enlighten, and educated those thereof.

The benefit is an exciting amalgamation of the arts. A coming together of "music for the eclectic taste: Classical Jazz, Gospel and Opera. Dramatic interpretations that tug at the heart and burn the soul. African dance inspired by the likes of Pearl Primus and such. Modern dance, to the groove of contemporary artist along with the intricate awe striking stepping of the Greek organizations." A compilation of what the Howard family has to offer the world in Thanksgiving.

It is believed by many that the communities of the United States have lost concern for their fellow African Americans. The members of Howard Players and D.I.V.A Incorporated are striving to promote unity through artist expression. Our goal is to create a setting where communities can

physically come together and celebrate our giving spirits

And that is why we are asking you to be as generous as you can be this Thanksgiving season. Your participation in this benefit is our major concern. Although there will be souvenir booklet in which we urge you to take out an ad. While there are suggested donation amounts, please know that your donation of any size is greatly need and deeply appreciated. We would more so love your attendance at the benefit performance, tickets are \$10.00 per person which are on sale at Cramton Auditorium. "Souls Of A Common Bond" benefit performance will be held in the Ira Aldridge Theatre, Tuesday, November 24th at 7:00pm.

We thank you for your participation. For by giving you have helped us and those we serve celebrate not just one day ... but everyday with "thanksgiving".

Sincerely yours,

Howard Players & D.I.V.A. Incorporated