

"THANKSGIVING FOR ART"

A gala ice skating Party at the Wollman Rink in Central Park

for the benefit of the outreach programs of Doing Art Together, Inc.

Monday, November 20th, 1989 from 6:00 - 9:00 pm

featuring a performance by ICE THEATRE OF NEW YORK, INC.

with Special Guest Star JOHN CURRY



DICK BUTTON – HONORARY CHAIRMAN One of the greatest ice skaters the United States has produced, Dick Button was twice the Olympic champion and five times won the world figure skating championship. Mr. Button is a sports commentator for ABC-TV and is a Broadway producer. He is president of Candid Productions Inc.

PAUL HECHT - MASTER OF CEREMONIES A distinguished actor and graduate of the National Theatre School of Canada, Paul Hecht was awarded a Tony nomination for his performance in "Rosenkrantz and Gildenstern" in 1967. He was awarded an OBI for the title role in Pirandello's "Enrico IV". Mr. Hecht is perhaps best known for his role as Charles (Jane Curtin's "ex") in the T.V. series "Kate and Allie".

ROB McBRIEN - ARTISTIC DIRECTOR, ICE THEATRE OF NEW YORK, INC. Mr. McBrien has been instructing and choreographing skaters at all levels of development since 1972. His students have included John Curry, Judy Blumberg and Michael Seibert, as well as beginners from ages 3 to 93. Mr. McBrien holds a degree in Theatre Arts from Northwestern University. From 1984 to 1986 he served as Ensemble Director for The John Curry Company. In 1986 he became Artistic Director of the Ice Theatre of New York. He has performed as an actor and dancer professionally in New York City and on television for PBS. Mr. McBrien is a USFSA Gold Medalist in Figures and Freestyle and is a member of the PSGA.

PAM McCORMICK - ICE SCULPTURE Environmental sculpture artist Pam McCormick's projects are described as "art works that move with water and wind". These unique water and wind sculptures, among them "Channelling", "Ice Gliders", "Windfall" and "Kite Boat" have been exhibited throughout New York, including the Conservatory Pond in Central Park, the East River and Castle Clinton in Battery Park. Her works have been featured on television and in numerous publications including The New York Times, Arts Magazine, Who's Who in American Art.

MOIRA NORTH -- Co-Founder and President, Ice Theatre of New York, Inc. Former Canadian Dance Gold Medalist, Ms. North has led the Ice Theatre of New York towards utilizing the full spectrum of all art forms, stretching the artistic boundaries of skating and providing skating's talented performers with a unique haven in which to develop themselves as creative artists.

## **PROGRAM**

Performance runs from 7:00 to 7:45 p.m.

#### INTRODUCTIONS

Paul Hecht - Master of Ceremonies

Muriel Silberstein-Storfer - Founder & Creative Director of Doing Art Together, Inc.

Dick Button - Honorary Benefit Chairman

## **PERFORMANCE**

Ice Theatre of New York, Inc.

#### JUNIOR PERFORMERS:

The Chows (brother & sister dance team)
Kelsey Eagan
Ben Pomeroy
Jessica Kramer
Ariel Williams

ENSEMBLE: "PLIE POWER" UNDER THE DIRECTION OF MOIRA NORTH AND ROB MCBRIEN

# SPECIAL GUEST STAR JOHN CURRY

Mr. Curry's amateur skating career culminated in 1976 when he won the gold medal at the British, European, World and Olympic Championships. In 1977, The Theatre of Skating opened to enthusiastic audiences in London's West End and played for two years in the U.S. In 1980, his Ice Dancing opened in New York and played for two years on Broadway. Mr.Curry created two television skating specials, Peter and the Wolf and the Emmy-nominated program The Snow Queen. As Artistic Director of The John Curry Skaters, Mr. Curry revolutionized ice performance with his sold out appearances at The Metropolitan Opera House, The Kennedy Center, London's Royal Albert Hall and other theatres worldwide.

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