

Arts and Entertainment



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'Toys From The Attic'

"Toys From The Attic" is on exhibit from Dec. 1 through Dec. 23 at the Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery. A broad selection of toys gathered from local collections are on exhibit. The toys date from 1860 to 1960 and are of a variety of processes, such as tin plate, cast iron and stamped steel. Dolls, cars, trucks, trains, airplanes, rockets and robots are on display.

Donald Doe, assistant director of the Sheldon Art Gallery, stands with robots and hanging rockets in the gallery's "Toys From The Attic" exhibit, valued at more than \$1 million.

"It's easy to get to a million dollars when you're dealing with collections of antique toys," Doe said. "Remarkably easy."

Toy collecting is one of the fastest-growing fields of collecting. Though it is a relative new field, toy collecting attracts large numbers of collectors with specialized sales on publications of scholarly research. Toy collecting appeals to all ages and "Toys From The Attic" is intended to give more hours of amusement and delight. Not only because these "playthings" are poignant reminders of youth, but also because they convey fascinating glimpses into the values, styles and technology of earlier years.

During this exhibit, a selection of antique and collectible toys will be sold in the Sheldon Art and Gift Shop.

Mezzo-soprano Quivar to appear in Lincoln

One of America's most distinguished mezzo-sopranos, Florence Quivar, will appear with the Lincoln Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Robert Emile on Dec. 11 at 8 p.m. The performance will be at O'Donnell Auditorium on the Nebraska Wesleyan campus, 50th and Huntington, and will be preceded by "Symphony Previews" at 7:30 p.m. Qui-

var will sing the *Wesendonck Songs* by Richard Wagner and *The Death of Cleopatra* by Hector Berlioz. Also on the evening's program are *Sadko* by Rimsky-Korsakov and the *Overture to Rienzi* by Wagner.

Described by The Philadelphia Bulletin as possessing "artistic

magnetism...an impeccable musician, singing with intelligence and authority," Quivar appears regularly throughout the world with leading orchestras, conductors, music festivals and opera companies. This season alone includes performances in Berlin, New York, Florence, Salzburg, Los Angeles, London, Washington, Rome, Montreal and Cincinnati.

Internationally renowned for her performances of the *Verdi Requiem*, Quivar has performed this work with the Philadelphia Orchestra and Riccardo Muti on nationwide PBS-TV, and with the Metropolitan Opera conducted by James Levine in New York, Washington, Boston, Minneapolis, Cleveland, Atlanta and Detroit. Her recordings are found on the

London, Vox, Phillips, Nonesuch and Deutsche Grammophon labels.

For information about pro-rated season tickets, or single admission tickets, call the Lincoln Symphony Orchestra office at 476-5610.

Shorts

The annual KLIN Toyathon is scheduled for Sunday. This is the 17th year that KLIN has joined forces with the Salvation Army, the Lincoln Radio Amateur Club and the city of Lincoln to provide toys for Lincoln's less fortunate youngsters.

To have new or useable toys picked up,

Lincoln residents should call KLIN at 475-4567 during toyathon hours, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Salvation Army trucks also will be stationed at KLIN, 44th and O streets, Gateway Shopping, Shopko, 27th Street and Highway 2 and Belmont Shopping Center, 11th Street and Cornhusker Highway.

Last year, some 5,400 donated toys were distributed to more than 2,000 children.

The annual Christmas program, "Star of Bethlehem," will be presented in the UNL State Museum's Mueller Planetarium

through Dec. 16.

The 30-minute sky show will be shown at 2:30 p.m. Saturdays and 3:45 p.m. Sundays. The planetarium will be closed from Dec. 22 through Jan. 1, 1985, during UNL's holiday break. The planetarium will open a new show, "Return of Comet Halley," Jan. 5.