## 'Ripen Our Darkness' brings light to Theatrix

the premier of a new experimental ing year, including musical reviews, male-dominated world. program sponsored by UNL's Theater new play readings and chamber Arts and Dance Department.

The Thursday night opening of the Temple Building. Theatrix will pro-comedy "Ripen Our Darkness" marks vide rare events throughout the com-Daniels. The play is a lampoon of a feminist trinity. With biting social Performances are 8 p.m. dances.

Daniels, author of the critically acclaimed "Masterpieces," has popu-The new program, Theatrix, is Tamara Compton, a Ph.d. candi-housed in the Studio Theatre of the date in theater, will direct "Ripen Our wardens, sexually obsessed psychia-Tamara Compton, a Ph.d. candi- lated her play with punctilious church

comment, Daniels portrays the tribu-lations of wives and daughters bat-Theatre (Temple Building, 12th and R lations of wives and daughters battling the absurdities and oppression of streets, UNL campus). a male-dominated world.

Ehlers, Barb Frank, Ramona Frazer, tween noon and 5 p.m. Jill Judt, Sophia Kazas, Mary Park, The play contains mature language William Stone, Ron Stortz, Mark and subject matter.

Performances are 8 p.m. Thursday,

General admission tickets are \$3. The cast includes Jenny Barron, Reservations can be made by calling Robert Brown, John Connolly, Layne the UNL box office at 472-2073 be-

## Many FarmAid acts graced Lincoln stages before benefit

By Bill Allen Senior Editor

Several of the acts that played at FarmAid III Saturday have played in deal of time in Lincoln during the the area before, and at least one act, filming of "Amerika," an ABC televi-the Bandaloo Doctors, featuring Bon- sion mini-series filmed predominie Bramlett, wants to come back again

Arlo Guthrie said Saturday that he was at FarmAid as an artist to give his day support to Willie Nelson and the cause he's worked for for three years.

crisis," Guthrie said. 'That's the feeling I get from being

here.

Guthrie has performed at all three FarmAid concerts and he said that this one was "the best organized yet."

Two years ago Guthrie played in the Bob Devaney Sports Center as a Nebraska State Fair concert. Even last summer at the now defunct Drumthen, his comments concerned the stick bar. American farmer and the American working man. Guthrie has also been Austin Texas rhythm and blues group

supporting unions. mAid, William Lee Golden, who sang Union. "Thank God for Kids" to an early Me afternoon crowd of picnickers at Far- draw from FarmAid because of illmAid, has been in the area several ness, played a state fair concert two and rehearse.'

Boys. He now tours with his own for farmers for some time. group, the Goldens.

nantly in Tecumseh. He sang at Celealso in the Lincoln nightclub last Fri-

Kristofferson, a good friend of Nelson's, has been active in country "We're far from being out of the sis," Guthrie said. hat's the feeling I get from being re." ing advocate of peace in past years in both films and music. His songs at this year's FarmAid reflected that com-

The Fabulous Thunderbirds, the very vocal throughout his career in that played a scorching set at Far-supporting unions. mAid, once played in the Nebraska

Merle Haggard, who had to with-

times as a member of the Oak Ridge years ago. He has been an active voice

bup, the Goldens. John Kay and Steppenwolf have Kris Kristofferson spent a great played at the Royal Grove.

The Bandaloo Doctors, featuring Bramlett, made their premiere per-formance at FarmAid. But Bramlett has been around quite a while. With bration during that production and also in the Lincoln nightclub last Fri-day. You Know and I Know.

The Doctors are trying to get an album recorded by the first of the year.

They were optimistic about their FarmAid performance.

They were ready for us," Bramlett said, "The first thing we saw when we came out on stage was a sign that said Nebraska Rocks FarmAid

Danny Sheridan, the band's bass player, described Nelson as "a friend and fan" of Bramlett for 15 years, which enabled her to introduce her group at the concert.

Sheridan and Bramlett said the group would like to play in Lincoln again, "perhaps as early as November," but right now "it's back to California to write up a few more songs



