

cathedral concert series

An Evening With Duke Ellington

8:30 pm

April 15 and 16, 1970



with

Tony Watkins, Voice

Joe Benjamin, Bass

Wild Bill Davis, Organ

Rufus Jones, Drums



To say anything about Duke Ellington is difficult, for everything has been said about him! He has been on the scene for a long time and his career has not only been long but it has been distinguished. As a man his stature has reached new heights in recent years with his Sacred Concerts which have brought him new fame in a new area of his music. He has given to all men the gift of his talents in his music and his philosophy of religion and life.

Grace Cathedral is particularly proud to have "The Duke" return, for it was here that he premiered his first sacred concert four years ago and it was here that he had the Western premiere of his second sacred concert only two years ago. His concert this evening will mark another "first" in the Cathedral, for tonight he will be "doing his thing"— just being himself with his musicians.

His kindness and generosity are summed up by the one most important factor in his life — LOVE. We are glad that you are here to welcome back Duke Ellington! We hope that you will relax, sit back and enjoy your evening with "The Duke." The program tonight is his. He will announce it.

There will be a fifteen minute interval during the concert.