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LEONARD COHEN  
TO PERFORM IN BERKELEY

Leonard Cohen, the renowned poetic chanteur and songwriter, will emerge from retirement for a rare appearance at the Berkeley Community Theatre on Saturday, March 1st, at 7:30 p.m.

Cohen's penetrating poetic songs and neo-realistic images earned him a staunch, cultish following in the late Sixties. A polished performer in his own right, Cohen has contributed to the repertoire of first-rate performers like Judy Collins and Linda Ronstadt. "Suzanne" is a contemporary classic; "Bird On A Wire", "Sisters Of Mercy" and "Hey, That's No Way To Say Goodbye" are also well-known Cohen creations. Cohen is a master at creating moods with music, making his songs especially effective in films. "McCabe And Mrs. Miller" featured Cohen and his songs in its haunting and evocative soundtrack, adding greatly to the impact of the film.

Cohen is also an accomplished writer with two novels and six volumes of poetry to his credit. His brilliant comic novel, Beautiful Losers, and collection of poems, Spice Box Of Earth, have been best-sellers. Cohen is best known, however, for his music which has been captured on five record albums for Columbia Records. His most recent work, NEW SKIN FOR THE OLD CEREMONY, was released late last fall, to coincide with his return to public performance.

An Evening With Leonard Cohen is a joint presentation of David Allen, impresario of the Boarding House in San Francisco, and Bill Ehlert of the noted Berkeley concert production firm "The Jolly Blue Giant Presents." Tickets are available now for \$6.00, \$5.00 and \$4.00 at all B.A.S.S. agencies, exclusively. For box office locations or telephone reservations, dial T-E-L-E-T-I-X. Tickets will also be available at the Berkeley Community Theatre box office at 6:00 p.m. on the evening of the show.

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