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BENEFIT SCHEDULED

"Showtime 1967," University of Montana music scholarship benefit, will be presented in the Recital Hall at 8:15 p.m. Feb. 3 and 4, Dean Charles W. Bolen of the School of Fine Arts announced.

The show features the top talent in the school's Music Department in selections ranging from sparkling musical-comedy production numbers to familiar operatic arias.

Last year a full-fledged variety revue replaced the annual benefit's original night-club dance format. Directors John Lester and George Lewis stress, however, that there is no change in the foolproof formula for fast-paced entertainment that has been a trademark of the benefit since Prof. Lester produced the first Nite-Club Dance floor show in the 1940's.

According to Dean Bolen, proceeds from "Showtime" constitute the largest single source of revenue for the UM Music Foundation scholarship fund.

He notes that the amount of scholarship aid available to music students has increased steadily and this year is up 25 per cent over last. Still, scholarship funds have not grown as fast as the demands placed on them by rocketing enrollments and costs. He points out that about two-thirds of the music students receive no help from the foundation.

"We are counting on receipts from "showtime 1967" to help narrow the gap between need and available funds," he said.