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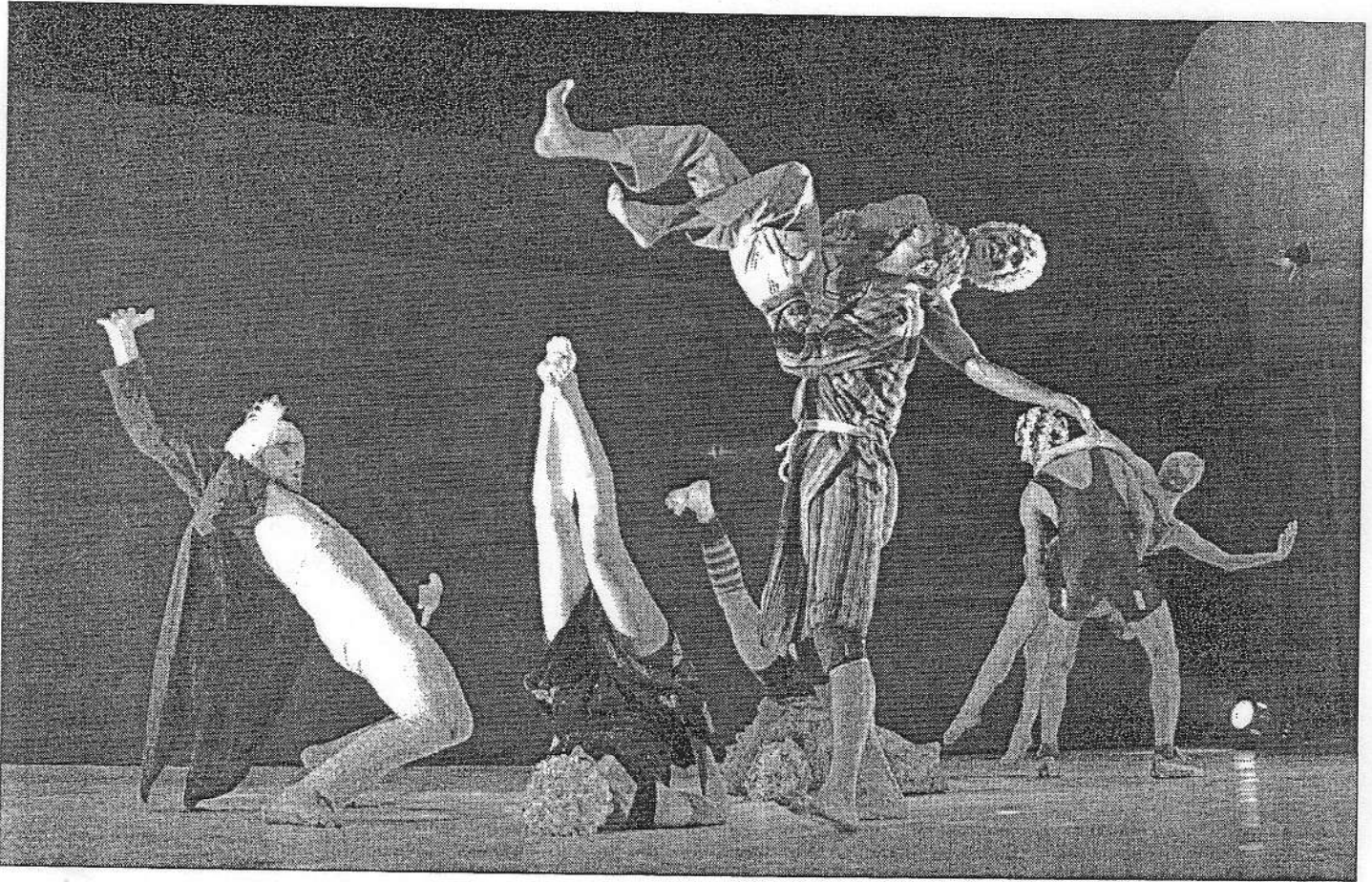
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La Strada: The programme *I Bislacchi, Omaggio a Fellini* by the Artemis Danza company is a tribute to the films of Fellini. — File Photo

## Italian dance pays tribute to Fellini

**HÀ NỘI** — An Italian dance performance in tribute to famed film director Federico Fellini will entertain Hà Nội audiences tonight, the creation of choreographer Monica Casadei.

Entitled *I Bislacchi, Omaggio a Fellini*, the show evokes and re-invents images, scenes and characters from such Fellini films as *La Dolce Vita* and *Amarcord*, set to the famous scores of composer Nino Rota.

Casadei said she brought

the spirit of Fellini to life on stage in her own way by drawing inspiration from Fellini films, like a filigree in which the poetry winks at the humour.

"This is a show full of colour," she said. "Otherwise it would mean betraying the maestro, who wrote in a diary of his dreams. It is absurd to imagine dreams in black and white. Colours are an integral part of the language of dreams:

they translate the ideas and the concepts, and each colour carries its own message."

Speaking of Fellini, Italian Ambassador to Việt Nam Andrea Perugini said, "Sixteen years after the death of this great artist, the charm of his beautiful world made of dreams, fantasy, poetry, intelligence and humour is still powerful. His characters, always real and authentic, never cease to fascinate the audience

and I am sure that this wonderful performance in homage to Fellini will enchant the Vietnamese audience."

The performance debuted in Guadalajara, Mexico, and in Italy at Vignaledanza, the International Festival of Dance and Integrated Arts.

The Hà Nội performance, hosted by the Italian Embassy, will take place at the Hồng Hà Theatre, 51 Đường Thành Street, at 6pm. — VNS