TIM HARDIN AND CHASE AT MOMA

Singer, composer, and musician TIM HARDIN and jazz-rock group CHASE will appear in the second JAZZ IN THE GARDEN concert at The Museum of Modern Art on Thursday, July 1, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Hardin, well-known for his songs such as "If I Were A Carpenter," "Misty Roses," and "Reason to Believe," recorded by other artists, defies musical categorization.

One critic said:

"If, by definition, a jazz singer is an artist who can vary his phrasing of a song from performance to performance to suit his emotion of the moment. If a jazz singer is a gifted manipulator of dynamics and a natural handler of rhythm, then meet Tim Hardin."

Mr. Hardin will accompany himself on the guitar, and Warren Bernhardt will accompany on the electric piano. His latest album for Columbia Records, "Bird on A Wire," has just been released.

CHASE, a new band comprised of nine musicians dedicated to both jazz and rock, is led by jazz trumpet player Bill Chase. Consisting of a brass section of four trumpets -- played by Chase, Alan Ware, Jerry Van Blair, and Ted Piercefield -- and joined by Angel South on guitar, Dennis Johnson on bass, Phil Porter on keyboards, Jay Burrid on percussion and Terry Richards on lead vocals, CHASE's music is fired by the interplay of the two musical idioms. Their debut album, "Chase," is on the Epic label.

Under the direction of Ed Bland, the JAZZ IN THE GARDEN series run from 7:30 to 9:30 on Thursday evenings through August 26. Admission is $1.00 plus the regular Museum entrance fee ($1.75, members free). Tickets go on sale the Saturday before each concert, and are available until concert time. The Garden Restaurant is open for refreshments, and cushions are available for listening comfort. In case of rain, the concert is cancelled.