

# Magical Scottish town of Brigadoon appears at Thalian

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"Brigadoon," a musical filled with Scottish dance and fantasy, opened Oct. 12 at Thalian Hall. The Thalian Association Community Theatre has put together a wonderful show with spirited dance, a touch of humor, and a beautiful love story. The play is set in Scotland in a mysterious land called Brigadoon, which only appears once every 100 years.

On opening night, the show began as Pat Plaskett, president of the Thalian Association, welcomed the audience to the show. He mentioned that Thalian Hall was celebrating its 142<sup>nd</sup> birthday that evening. The show was dedi-

cated to Agnes Farrell, the mother of the costume designer, who worked on the original production of "Brigadoon" on Broadway.

Although it is not Broadway, the production is excellent. The show is lively and quite entertaining. The cast includes 34 volunteer singers and dancers who keep the action going and provide for a great ensemble cast.

The choreography for this production is something magical, and these volunteers benefited from the work of Judy Greenhut, who was in one of the Broadway productions of "Brigadoon." The choreography for the production is Greenhut's own and many of the dances, such as the "Sword Dance" and the "Wedding Dance" are authentic. Greenhut teaches

dance lessons at the Community Arts Center, and many of the volunteer dancers take lessons from her.

Anne O'Shea Cosec, the producing artistic director for Minerva Productions, is a member of the volunteer ensemble cast. Her daughter, Karly Cosec, is also a member of the ensemble cast and a dance student of Greenhut's.

"It was great working with Karly because we were both in the ensemble cast, so we got to work side by side throughout the whole thing," Cosec said.

One of the main characters who stands out in the Thalian Association's production is Courtney Preston Writh, who plays Meg Brockie. Writh played

Jan in the Opera House Theatre Company's production of "Grease." Her character in "Brigadoon" is a young maid who is searching for a man and she plays her role well. Writh adds quite a bit of humor to the show and is entertaining to watch.

The Thalian Association, the oldest community theatre in the country, did an excellent job with "Brigadoon." The audience is made to feel like they are actually visiting the magical town of Brigadoon in misty Scotland. The show will play at Thalian Hall until Oct. 22, and tickets may be reserved through the Thalian Hall Box Office at 343-3664. Catch a glimpse of "Brigadoon" before it closes, because it may not appear for another 100 years.

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the development as West's career through a collection of his short works and articles.

Hughley will perform at 8 p.m. Oct. 28 in Kenan Auditorium as part of Fall Fest and the Port City Comedy Jam. He began his career as a stand-up comedian in small clubs. He considers his appearance on HBO's "Def Comedy Jam" one of his earliest breaks in the business. From there, Hughley became the first host of "Comic View" on Black Entertainment Television.

"A lot of (black comedians) wouldn't have had the opportunity if it weren't for this show," Hughley said in a press release.

After "Comic View," Hughley landed

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the primary mode of enforcement of the noise ordinance.

"We already have a noise ordinance that has exact limits," said Darell Allen, the bassist from Feel Love Fury. "The one they intend to pass is up to the officers to decide and there is no set limit. The bar owners cannot tell when they are in compliance with the ordinance if there is no defined limit. The new ordinance is a free hand to write tickets."

Under the new ordinance, the major change is in the consequences of a noise violation. The first time a bar was found guilty of breaking the old ordinance they were given a warning, the second time a fine of \$50 moving to \$100 then \$250, but the person responsible was charged with a misdemeanor. Under the new ordinance a bar will be fined \$250 after the first offence and \$500 after, but it is a civil rather than criminal offense.

"The problem that the downtown residents have is the people coming out of the bars, not the music or the musicians," Allen said.

Will the protest really make a differ-

ence in the city's decision? Most do not seem to think so.

"The media would be much more effective by getting to more of the masses," said Marc Kangas, a Wilmington resident.

Gangi said that the real purpose of the protest was to raise awareness. "It went very positive as far as increasing (city council's) awareness of music," Gangi said.

The petition at the event was signed by 1,300 people, 1,000 of whom were from the UNCW campus. Bar owners collected 2,500 signatures. Both petitions are being sent to David P. Wallen, the attorney representing the bar owners.

Freshman Daniel Thomas said he feels the noise ordinance will "decrease tourism and fun, especially fun. It'd take away a great aspect of the town."

Sayer said he feels that the bands and bars will lose money because nobody will want to change their schedule around so that they can come to hear a band earlier. He said bands will just play shorter sets.

"I don't think it's gonna be as enforced as the city council hopes it will be," Gangi said.

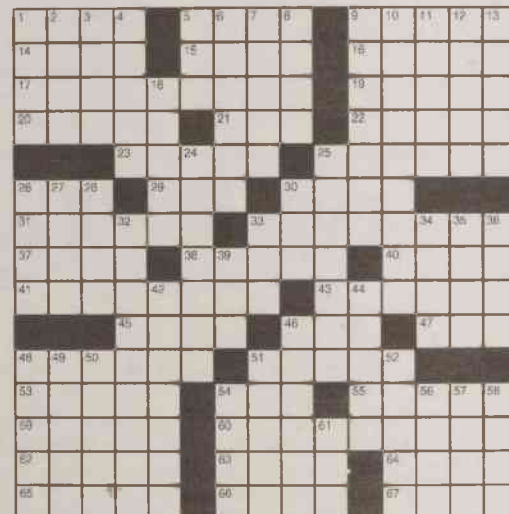
## Crossword

### ACROSS

- 1 Night birds
- 5 Ice unit
- 9 Trap
- 14 River to the Mississippi
- 15 Quarry
- 16 Doughnut centers
- 17 Lounge on a train
- 19 Book of maps
- 20 Beer mug
- 21 Color
- 22 Donna lead-in
- 23 Minus figure
- 25 Itty-bitty
- 26 Take to court
- 29 Samovar
- 30 Praise
- 31 Chevron
- 33 Saran Wrap precursor
- 37 Brown shades
- 38 Excuse
- 40 Actress Sorvino
- 41 Union general
- 43 Roman autocrat
- 45 Colonial insects
- 46 Gum quantity
- 47 Cleaned one's plate
- 48 Newly
- 51 De Brunhoff's elephant
- 53 Shazam!
- 54 Jackie's second
- 55 Gaggles of honkers
- 59 Singing chipmunk
- 60 Matinee idol
- 62 Roofing material
- 63 Just got by
- 64 Country hotels
- 65 Novelist Anne
- 66 Agrippina's son
- 67 Anti-Tweed cartoonist

### DOWN

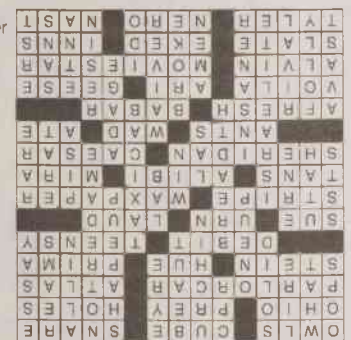
- 1 Butterfingers' comment
- 2 Interrogative word
- 3 Cash in Pisa
- 4 Unbroken
- 5 EMT's procedure
- 6 Needy youngster
- 7 Lulu
- 8 Bronte heroine
- 9 Alternative to ship out
- 10 University in South Bend
- 11 Pooped out
- 12 Quantities of paper
- 13 Composition
- 18 A point ahead
- 24 Width
- 25 Hack
- 26 Mach+ jets
- 27 Canyonlands state
- 28 Sea eagle
- 30 Sci. workplace
- 32 "Exodus" extra
- 33 Come out on top
- 34 Italian city
- 35 Part of Q.E.D.
- 36 Like hen's teeth
- 39 Vegas lead-in



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## Solutions



- 42 More bonkers
- 44 Old saw
- 46 Deferment
- 48 Hold it, sailor!
- 49 Stupidity
- 50 Alternative beau
- 51 Busted
- 52 Spruce juice
- 54 Grace ending
- 56 Sicilian mountain
- 57 -serif typeface
- 58 Formerly, formerly
- 61 Wedding words