

'Dragon' Cast Announced

MARS HILL — The cast has been announced for "The Invisible Dragon," a student-directed one act children's fantasy, which will be produced at Mars Hill College Friday, Nov. 14.

The play will be directed by Robert Duckett, a senior Theatre Arts major from Yorktown, Virginia, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy J. Duckett, and will be his senior directing project, which is required of all theatre majors for graduation.

The play centers around a kingdom in which everyone is happy except a young, beautiful princess. The princess does not have anyone to care about until a handsome prince from another land rides through the kingdom hunting a dragon. The theme that involves is that happiness comes from giving rather than receiving. Duckett notes that he picked this play because it is "light and entertaining, suitable for everyone, and doesn't try to change the world in an hour."

The characters include the princess, played by Mary Leigh Jones, a freshman theatre arts major from Atlanta; the Prince, played by J.C. Gregg, a sophomore business major from Greensboro; the King, played by J.C. Palmore, a sophomore theatre arts major from Buckoo, VA; the Queen, portrayed by Amy Sharpe, a junior theatre arts major; the storyteller, played by Penny Elliott, a junior theatre arts major from English major from Statesville; the townspeople are played by Patty Levi, a freshman theatre major from Hendersonville; Carol Whitmore, a sophomore music major from Weaverville; Lester Purry, a freshman theatre major from Pickens, SC; Winston Shearin, a junior theatre major from Silver Springs, MD; and Leslie Smith, a freshman business major from Asheville.

The stage manager is Mitchell Beal, a junior theatre arts major from Albemarle.

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Janet Proctor, head of the Educational Loan Program, says, "This type of program is good because we can consider the needs of both the state and the student. We work very closely with our students while they are in training as well as practice. We get to know each one of them and their families, and they know us."

If you are interested in the program and would like an application packet, contact the Educational Loan Program, Division of Facility Services, N.C. Department of Human Resources, P.O. Box 12206, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609, telephone 819/733-2164.



DANNY QUINN'S WORK on the scene of the Battle of New Orleans, January 8, 1815, during the War of 1812 in which the British suffered a stunning defeat against Jackson's army, as recreated by Danny Quinn.



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Danny Quinn Recreates Battle Scenes

By KEN EDWARDS

Seventeen-year-old senior Danny Quinn spends some of his free time at an unusual hobby.

Quinn builds miniature battle scenes at the Madison County Library.

His work on such scenes at the "Battle of Gettysburg/Picket's Charge" and the "Battle of New Orleans" comes to life on a small scale plan.

Each of the projects involves a great deal of time and work. For example, each miniature object must be carefully painted by hand.

Most of the parts and accessories used in construction come from mini-railroad building sets. They are often purchased at regular hobby shops or toy stores.

However, instead of using the parts on a train set, Quinn takes the trees, grass, and people and works on them until a brought-to-life small battle scene is recreated.

The average time to bring such a model from a picture in a book to a life-like scene is about one week.

Quinn enjoys doing this type of work in his free time and has been at it since before high school.

His hobby ties right in with the fact that he also enjoys playing war games and is interested in drama. Each of these is a vital part in understanding and relating to such a hobby.

Quinn is planning to attend North Georgia College and then plans to go into the Army as a second lieutenant.

The work which Quinn has done was on display at the Madison County Library on Main Street in Marshall.



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DANNY QUINN sits behind one of his miniature historical scenes. This particular scene took four days to complete. Danny said finding the Civil War figures is the hardest part of making the dioramas.

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