



The BC Division of Fine Arts presents four concerts in mid-February. At top left, the Joiner Duo of the University of Georgia, accompanied by Katherine Morgan of Brevard (left center) will be heard in concert Sunday, Feb. 18 at p.m. in Dunham. On Tuesday, Feb. 20, at 8:15 p.m. the Air Force Woodwind Quintet (center right) will perform in Dunham.

The National Chamber Players (not pictured) perform Thursday, Feb. 22 at 8:15 p.m. in Dunham; and Robert Blocker, pianist (right) appears on Sunday, Feb. 25, at 4 p.m. in Dunham. All events are free. Only the National Chamber Players concert is a Life and Culture event.

Cast announced for 'Summer and Smoke'

by Sarah Fish
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A lyrical play set in the deep South, "Summer and Smoke" by Tennessee Williams, is this year's Spring Drama production.

The show runs from March 29 - 31 and April 5-7.

Jonathan Crow is director, and he describes the play as on "portraying unrequited love and mis-spent passion."

Sean Frazier and Amy Collier have the leads, and Crow says they "are two of the finest actors" he's come across in college theatre.

"Summer and Smoke" is a romantic tragedy somewhat like "Romeo and Juliet" in that the two lovers not able to consummate their love. In the prologue, the leads, John and Alma, are shown as young children (played by Nathan Ballinger and the director's daughter, Elizabeth Crow).

Crow's reason for choosing this "star-crossed lovers" play was mainly because of the moving language Tennessee Williams used in this writing.

The large cast (17) also appealed to Crow because it "gave various people definite parts."

Tim Johnson, who plays John's father, Dr Buchanan, has the privilege of what many actors dream about doing on stage: dying.

Gray Hawks, who was the rambunctious reporter in "Nude with Violin," plays Alma's father.

Chrissy Anderson plays the lunatic mother of Alma.

Ashley Cimino has the "sexy part," according to Crow, and plays one of

John's lovers, Rosa Conzalez.

Allyson Cottrell and Hope Pickett, both better known for BC runners, play Nelly Ewell and Rosemary.

Jeanne Howie plays Mrs. Bassett, a bitter, opinionated widow.

Wade Gilliam plays Archie Kramer, a traveling salesman who participates in the passionate love scene with Alma.

Ken Howe plays Rosa's father, Gonzalez, a key role concerning Dr. Buchanan. Other cast members include: Tom Galup as Roger Doremus, Scott Sides as Vernon, and George Boyd as Dusty.

Crow, who is directing the play while veteran BC Director Sam Cope is on sabbatical, has two helping hands in the Spring Drama. Jeff Woodward is assistant director and set designer, and Rob Dixon is lighting director.

"Crow describes Jeff as "an enormous help in all phases of the production." Rob has gained his stage experience through "Nude with Violin" and lighting experience with the Brevard Little Theatre and "Messiah" in Hendersonville.

Emilee Wilkins is working as stage manager, and assisting her is Julie Connell. Crow adds that Emilee is an "extremely efficient young lady -- we could not get along without her."

Many hours have been put into the production of "Summer and Smoke" already, with rehearsals running Monday through Thursday evenings. Crow's stagecraft class works on the set on Wednesday afternoons and sometimes on Saturdays. All the effort put into the play will prove it's "a show for the senses," says Jeff Woodward.



Sean Frazier and Amy Collier star in the Spring Drama "Summer and Smoke" now in rehearsal at the Barn Theatre.

(Clarion photo by Jock Lauterer)

Art shows, lectures up and coming at Sims

by Lisa Macaulay
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Some people only go into the Sims Art Building to see the cobwebs in the mailboxes or to buy books in the bookstore. They might never think about looking around the rest of the building. Some students don't even know that the old student union is now the home of the BC Art Department.

Right now there is an art exhibit made up of the best work of last semester's art students. The show contains a variety of styles ranging from drawing to printmaking, design and painting.

Students who have pieces in the show include Scott Barnes, Madelin Boyd, Linda Brooks, Joe Bruteman, Cathy Carris, Christal Dalton, David Epstein, Fred Goble, John Jenkins, Heather Laughran, Lisa Macaulay, Christia O'Neill, Bethane Stanley, Sam

Smither, Eva Stensby, Eddie Sprouse, Erica Thornebury, Mike Van Vuuren and Frances Xenakis.

The show will be up for several more weeks.

The rest of the Spring Semester brings other art exhibits to Sims Art Building.

On March 5, visiting artist Pete Adams of Ecusta Corporation's advertising department will speak at 3:30 p.m. about advertising and advertising art.

Artist Jerry Noe of Chapel Hill will be at BC for three days, March 28-30, to do a workshop on neon art. Noe is the father of BC student Jerod Noe.

From April 1-13, BC will host the Annual Juried High School Visual Arts Exhibition.

Sims will also host the Transylvania Festival of the Arts Contest Exhibition for two weeks, opening on April 16.