

Campus NEWS

Fantastic Voyage

Drama Guild to present 'A Masque Charade Ball' through history

By Keith Caesar
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The Winston-Salem State University Drama Guild is up to their usual antics again.

This time around they are looking to take their audience on a voyage through the history of theater.

Dubbed the "2002 Drama Guild Players Present: A Masque Charade Ball: An evening of Dramatic Transformation," the guild is eager to show their stuff.

Avis Gray, a dramatic arts teacher in the Department of English and Foreign Languages, said the overall goal of the production is to take the audience through theater from its origin with primitive man to present day.

"In that regard it is my hope to not only entertain but educate as well," Gray said.



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Drama Guild is looking to add a little lesson behind the story of theater.

"We will be performing scenes from Greek theater, the middle ages (Medieval period), European renaissance, Asian theater, early modern theater, Contemporary/20th century."

"Under 20th century we are looking at a contemporary African-American piece."

The ball is set for Dec. 7 in the Thompson Center room 207 and will begin at 8 p.m. Audience goes

will also be treated to refreshments which will be served.

"I just want them to understand the history of theater," said Gray. "They do need to know that there is other theater out here then what we normally see."

"I want to make them aware of the different culture's traditions of theater."

She added that as part of the event masks would

be provided for audience members so that they could have their own role in the experience making it more than just simply a spectator event.

Gray also wanted to point out that in the spirit of the event she hopes that students leave their athletic gear at home and become a part of the show.

"One of my major goals is to make this a mainstream event. I want to

"I regard the theater as the Greatest of all Art forms, the most immediate way in which a Human being can share with another the sense of what it means to be a human being."

Thornton Wilder

appeal to all races, and I want to appeal to all genders in hopes that maybe we can build a bridge or close the gap between faculty and students."

She added that this event would have never been made possible if it were not for the Office of Student Activities.

"We're very grateful to the Office of Student affairs for supporting [us] financially."

WSSU policeman gives tips on staying safe

By Mary-Anne M. Joseph
ARGUS REPORTER

With the construction of walls and parking gates scattered over almost every crevice of the school, has campus police been taking care of their obligation?

According to Lt. Marcus Sutton of Winston-Salem State University campus police, they have and will continue to do so.

Campus Police are on watch over WSSU's campus 24 hours a day, seven days a week and are doing their best to make sure that students are safe at all times.

The officers do plenty to ensure safety, from making sure the campus is well lit at night to installing surveillance cameras in the parking lots and call boxes outside the dormitories of WSSU and much more.

However, some students feel as if ticketing has dramatically increased while crime prevention has dramatically decreased.

"This is not so, ticketing is very harsh at the beginning of the semester so there will not be an escalation in parking

problems later in the semester and crime prevention has increased quite some bit since last year and the years before that," said Sutton in response to student's complaints.


According to Sutton being objective is key when it comes to personal belongings. How well do you truly know your new roommate?

No matter what the circumstances, Sutton suggests that students should secure their valuables. At the beginning of the school year students are issued a inventory sheets to record valuables on. The sheet has a place to record valuable objects and their serial numbers. The inventory sheets are expected to come in handy in the event that someone steals something out of a room.

Students can also help protect their automobiles.

Common suggestions made are to avoid leaving valuable possessions in plain sight in a parked car and to stray away from thinking that older model cars won't be subject to theft and/or vandalism.

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