

EXPLORE ARTS IN DURHAM

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Welcome to Durham, the home of much more than NCSSM. In addition to campus facilities, places like Northgate, Swenson's, the Ninth Street Bakery and Grinderswitch are becoming familiar to students, faculty and staff. But there are still many undiscovered attractions in the Durham community, and one such area is the arts.

As the home of several educational institutions and host to the American Dance festival, Durham often attracts high quality entertainment. Activities of this kind are overseen by the Durham Arts Council (telephone: 682-5519).

The Durham Theatre Guild, now in its 35th year, is an amateur organization which presents several plays each season. This year's planned line-up includes "Something's Afoot," Thornton Wilder's "Our Town, The Killing of Sister George," and "Come Blow Your Horn" by Neil Simon. Walter J. DeWinter, speaking for the Guild, says that "although the Guild sponsors no youth programs as such, students at the school are encouraged to audition for Guild shows," and he mentions that "Our Town," offers potential roles for NCSSM students. Students also may be interested in attending performances of some of these shows at the Guild Theater in downtown Durham, held Fridays and Saturdays at 8:15 p.m. and on Sundays at 2:30 p.m. for the seat price of \$3.00 (\$2.50 for groups of twenty or more). More information can be obtained from the Durham Theatre Guild at 688-4259.

Those interested in visual arts should visit the art museums at local universities. Duke University's art museum, located on East Campus, is open Monday-Friday.



Who is this?

Halloween started out as a European tradition preceding All Saint's Day; people dressed up in costumes and performed rituals to ward off all sorts of bizarre spirits. Halloween, in fact, is a contraction of "All Hallows Even(ing)". Here at NCSSM, Halloween was observed in a slightly more modern way... American traditions like trick-or-treating, haunted houses, and a slightly untraditional party.

from 9am-5pm, Saturday from 10am-1pm and from 2pm-5pm on Sundays. The art museum at North Carolina Central University is open weekdays from 9am-5pm.

Musical performances in this area are exceptional in frequency and quality. A few noteworthy ones include the following: The Guarni String Quartet at Duke Reynolds Theatre, October 30; Duke University wind Symphony performing Viennese Ball at the Durham Civic Center, October 29; and an organ recital performed on the famous Duke Chapel organ, October 31. Information about these and other musical performances at Duke will be given to those who call Duke's Page Auditorium at 684-4059.

In addition to these artistic opportunities, there are numerous private art galleries; the Duke East Campus Gallery is presently exhibiting the watercolors of Missie Dickens, and the Duke Union Craft Center is open in the Southgate Building. Be sure to be on the lookout for all interesting activities in the Durham area. There's always something new to discover in this town!

What Is Love?

It is *silence* — when your words would hurt.
 It is *patience* — when your neighbor's curt.
 It is *deafness* — when a scandal flows.
 It is *thoughtfulness* — for others' woes.
 It is *promptness* — when stern duty calls.
 It is *courage* — when misfortune falls.

THANKSGIVING REFLECTIONS

With Thanksgiving near, most of you are a week and five tests away from that wonderful place called home, where mom's cooking and you own beds await you. You think about sleeping long enough to have real dreams, and you relish the thought of camping out in front of the fireplace with a blaring TV and an old friend on the other end of the line.

Don't forget about all the teachers and staff at NCSSM who give just as much of themselves to the school as you do, who genuinely care about your growth and education. Especially think about all the beautiful people who have become your new family, the friends whose love and support have kept you going, people who care about ideas and feel just as strongly about their beliefs as you do about yours, who truly intend to change and better the world.

While you're contemplating all the pleasures that NCSSM fails to accommodate, think about a few other things, too— about how independent you've become, about how much you've learned about yourself. Think about how you've increased your abilities and endurance, about the opportunities you've had to both succeed and learn from your mistakes.

Let your Thanksgiving be both meaningful and relaxing. Reflect upon all that NCSSM has given you, keeping in mind that intangible gifts are the most precious.



Lawson coordinates community living program.

Guidance offers special services

With two new positions in Guidance and Counseling this year, the department hopes to specialize its services and offer new programs based on students' suggestions.

One new division is College Planning. Rick Bryant, who comes to NCSSM from the Office of Admissions at the American University in Washington, D.C., coordinates this program. With his background in the admissions process, Bryant advises students in both college admissions and scholarship applications. Career objectives and the selection of a college or university to fit the needs of a particular student are other important areas in college planning. Bryant's responsibilities also include informing colleges and universities of the unique situation of NCSSM's admissions process, method of grading and lack of class ranking.

Another new service offered by the guidance and counseling department is the Introduction to Community Living program, a semester discussion group required of all juniors. Dr. Gary Lawson, a clinical psychologist, formerly of the Counseling and Psychological Services at Duke University, coordinates this program. ICL provides a structure through which "the new kids on the block" can meet people and help each other adjust to community living in the residence halls. The program was designed through suggestions made by NCSSM's first two classes about their problems at NCSSM and through suggestions made by the residence life staff. Sybil Jackson, RA in Reynolds, assists Lawson in teaching ICL sections.

Future Tense

I don't possess a crystal ball,
 The future I can't see at all,
 But still I have no slightest doubt
 Of how, one day, things will come out.
 I forecast, I prognosticate.
 There is no need for you to wait;
 Just ask me, and you'll get the lowdown
 On economic upswing, slowdown,
 On war and peace, on whatsoever,
 A year from now, ten years, whenever.
 This I have learned, each passing day:
 The less I know, the more I say.

— Richard Armour