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Glacity Theatre Collective to present Shakespearean comedy

By Staff : June 12th, 2009

Make plans for a summer evening to see the Glacity Theatre Collective's production of "All's Well That Ends Well," which will be performed outdoors, weather permitting, the last three weekends in June.

"Watch as Helena strives to win the love of her reluctant husband, Bertram, in Shakespeare's classic comedy-romance," said Holly Monsos, UT associate professor and chair of theatre and film, who is executive producer of the company. "With strong female characters and a scathing satirical critique of an aristocracy that derides the lower classes, 'All's Well' remains meaningful to contemporary audiences."

The play features a cast of nine actors: Risa Beth Cohen; Dave DeChristopher, UT instructor of theatre; Gordon James, UT theatre student; Kevin J. Hayes; Monsos; Corinne Natyshak; Dr. Ben Pryor, UT associate professor and chair of philosophy; Nikki Soldner, UT theatre alumna; and Pam Tomassetti.

James S. Hill, UT professor of theatre and film, designed the set, and Monsos created the costumes. Chloe Mockensturm is the stage manager, and Dr. Edmund Ligan, UT assistant professor of theatre, is the dramaturge. Cornel Gabara, UT assistant professor of theatre, is director of the production.

The Glacity Theatre Collective is comprised of professional local artists. "All's Well That Ends Well" is the final show of the company's first full season.

Performances will take place at the Alida Ashley Amphitheatre at Maumee Valley Country Day School, 1715 S. Reynolds Road. If it rains, the production will be held in the Millennium Theatre at the school.

Curtain time is 7 p.m. Saturdays, June 13, 20 and 27, and Fridays, June 19 and 26. Matinees will take place at 2 p.m. Sundays, June 14, 21 and 28.

The Saturday, June 27, show will be held inside the Millennium Theatre, rain or shine.

Tickets for Friday and Saturday performances are \$15 at <http://glacity.tix.com/>; cash or check only will be accepted at the door. Patrons are asked to "pay what they can" for Sunday shows.

A special post-show benefit party for Glacity Theatre Collective will take place Sunday, June 21. A ticket for the performance and party is \$50. Call 419.277.2735 for details.

For more information, go to <http://www.glacity.org/> or contact Irene Alby, UT lecturer in theatre, at 419.530.2254 or e-mail the company at glacitytheatre@gmail.com.



Nikki Soldner and Dr. Ben Pryor rehearse a scene from the Glacity Theatre Collective's production of "All's Well That Ends Well."