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Studio Theatre Director: Stephen Trovillion Smith October 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19 (ACTF entry)

HAIR

Jenkins Theatre Director: Tim Howard November 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 22

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Studio Theatre
December 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12

40 Days

Studio Theatre Director: Tyler Marchant February 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15

The Little Foxes

Jenkins Theatre Director: Jeffrey Stephens February 27, 28, March 1, 5, 6, 7

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Jenkins Theatre

May 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9

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A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Last year I directed a very traditional production of ROMEO AND JULIET that had only three major roles for women (although I suppose in a VERY traditional staging there would be no roles for women at all). One of the main reasons I chose to direct a modern conceptualization of JULIUS CAESAR this year is that by doing so I could believably cast women in many of the roles traditionally played by men so that they could have a crack at the Bard as well. Hence Mark Antony becomes Antonia (still fits the meter!) and we have a Hillary Clinton figure made to order.

There's a lot of such contemporary relevance in this play. Just as Shakespeare's audiences found relevance in the story of a ruler with no biological heir and the instability that follows his death, so we find relevance in the story of a proud republic that has begun to stumble and chooses a strong man who promises security. The outcome of that choice is a war that takes place in the Middle East and destabilizes the world as we/they know/knew it.

Of course, setting Shakespeare's plays in modern dress isn't new. In Shakespeare's own time the actors would have worn contemporary Elizabethan clothing with a simple accessory (a spear, a cloth representing a toga) to illustrate the setting. I'm sure our costume designer, Susan Sherwin, who has had to come up with everything from camouflage helmets to a bloodstain-proof white suit, looks with envy upon that theatrical epoch that had yet to invent the director, much less the director with a "vision." All of our designers and technicians, both faculty and student, have worked hard and well to create a world that is neither America nor Italy, neither classical nor contemporary but a place that in sci-fi novels is called "an alternate universe." I dedicate this production to their amazing creativity and hope that together we have managed to illuminate the play's text in a way that speaks powerfully to our time.

-Stephen Trovillion Smith

The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point Department of Theatre & Dance

Presents

JULIUS CAESAR

Directed by Stephen Trovillion Smith*

Costume Designer Susan Sherwin*

Sound Designer Mercer Aplin

Lighting Designer Gary G. Olsen*

Stage Manager Christopher Pheiffer

Properties Designer Sarah Roser Scenic Designer Joseph Hannon

Fight Director
H. Russ Brown**

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Julius Caesar

The Cast

Julius Caesar	Christopher Wuelling
Calpurnia, wife of Caesar	Meagan Gilliland
Members of the Triumvirate after the	e death of Julius Caesar
Antonia, friend of Caesar	Casiena Raether
Octavius Caesar, adopted heir of Cae	sarJesse L. Cyr
Lepidus	Joseph Nowinski
Senators	
Cicero	James Hansen
Publia	Maureen Hennigan
Popilia Lena	Kayla Provisor
Conspirators against Jul	ius Caesar
Marcus Brutus	James Roland Freer
Cassius	Matt Briggs
Casca	Thomas Bevan
Trebonius	Alexander Taylor Mace
Caius Ligarius	Joel Heimerman
Decia Brutus	Amanda Petersen
Metella Cimber	Meggan Utech
Cinna	Tricia Collenburg

The Cast (continued)

Portia, wife of BrutusKarina Lathrop
Lucius, son of Portia, stepson to BrutusCreg Sclavi
Marulla, a political commentator opposed to CaesarAli Gilbertson
Artemidorus, a reporter, supporter of CaesarDan Olson
Cinna, a poetAngela Ferlo
Personal Assistant to AntoniaEmily McCarthy
Personal Assistant to OctaviusAndrea Boehlke
Caesar's BodyguardsArne Parrott, Jacob Janssen
The Army of Brutus and Cassius
TitiniusJacob Janssen
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Meet the Company (continued)

- Olson, Dan (Artemidorus; Lucilius; Forum Citizen) Freshman, BFA Acting Major from Ripon, WI.
- Palmer, Ashley (Assistant Costume Designer)Freshman, BFA Design/Tech Major from Milwaukee, WI.
- Parrott, Arne (Citizen #3; Bodyguard) Sophomore, BA/BS Drama Major from Dousman, WI.
- Petersen, Amanda (*Decia Brutus; Forum Citizen*) Senior, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Neenah, WI. Recipient of the Roger Nelson Musical Theatre Scholarship.
- Pheiffer, Christopher (Stage Manager) BFA Design/Tech Major from Adams, WI. Recipient of the Anne Gilfrey Schierl Award for Outstanding Freshman in Design Tech.
- Prestly, Derek (House Manager) BFA Musical Theatre Major from Minnetonka, MN.
- Provisor, Kayla (*Popilia Lena; Forum Citizen*) Sophomore, BFA Acting Major from Stevens Point, WI.
- Raether, Casiena (Antonia Mark Antony) BFA Acting Major from Rockford, IL.
- Roser, Sarah (*Properties Designer*) Junior, BFA Design/Tech Major from Junction City, WI. Recipient of the Crosby Scholarship in Technical Theatre.
- Sclavi, Creg (Lucius; Riot Policeman; Cameraman) Freshman, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Fond du Lac, WI.
- Theune, Michael (Waiter; Second Octavius Assistant; Second Soldier) Sophomore, BFA Acting Major from Sheboygan, WI.
- Ulrich, Kyle (Senator; First Soldier; Forum Citizen) Freshman, BFA Acting Major from Rudolph, WI
- Utech, Meggan (Metella Cimber; Forum Citizen) Sophomore, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Hartford, WI. Recipient of the Theatre Arts Musical Theatre Scholarship.
- Younger, Kaitlin (*Properties Technician*) BA/BS Drama Major from Menasha, WI.
- Wuelling, Christopher (Julius Caesar; Ghost) Senior, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Green Bay, WI. Recipient of the Theatre Arts Scholarship in Musical Theatre.

Meet the Company (continued)

- Frost, Scott (*Properties Technician*) BFA Design/Tech Major from Kenosha, WI.
- Gastaldi, Michael (Waiter; Cato; Forum Citizen) Junior, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Kenosha, WI.
- Gilbertson, Ali (Marulla; Forum Citizen) Senior, BFA Acting Major from Slinger, WI.Recipient of the Anne Gilfrey Schierl Award for Outstanding Freshman in Acting.
- Gilliland, Meagan (Calpurnia; Riot Policewoman) Senior, BFA Acting Major from Fond du Lac, WI.
- Hansen, James (Cicero; Volumnius; Forum Citizen) Freshman, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Waunakee, WI.
- Hannon, Joseph (Scenic Designer) Senior, BFA Design/Tech Major from Green Bay, WI. Recipient of the James Vorland Technical Theatre Scholarship and Baruch Bridgeman Award for Outstanding Achievement -Players.
- Heimerman, Joel (Ligarius; Strato; Forum Citizen) Senior, BFA Acting Major from Green Bay, WI
- Hennigan, Maureen (Publia; Cassius' Communications Adjutant; Forum Citizen) Sophomore, BFA Acting Major from Shawano, WI.
- Janssen, Jacob (Bodyguard; Citizen #1; Titinius) Junior, BFA Acting Major from Kiel, WI. Recipient of the Anne Gilfrey Schierl Outstanding Freshman in Acting Award and the Festival of the Arts Scholarship.
- Lathrop, Karina (*Portia, Riot Policewoman*) Senior, BFA Acting Major from Shorewood, WI.
- Mace, Alexander Taylor(Trebonius; Forum Citizen) Junior, BFA Acting Major from Shawano, WI.
- McCarthy, Emily (Senator; Antonia's Assistant; Forum Citizen) Junior, BFA Acting Major from Madison, WI.
- McMonagle, Elizabeth (House Manager) Junior, BFA Musical Theatre Major from DePere, WI.
- Nowinski, Joseph (Lepidus; Citizen #5) Junior, BFA Acting Major, History Minor from Chicago Ridge, IL.
- O'Donnell, Patrick (Senator; Citizen #2; Messala) Sophomore, BFA Acting Major from De Pere, WI. Recipient of the Anne Gilfrey Schierl Award for the Outstanding Freshman in Acting.

The Army of Antonia and Octavius

First Soldier.	Kyle Ulrich
Second Soldier	Michael Theune
Communications Adjutant	Rachel Anderson
Other Citizens, Senators, Police, Waiters, etc	The Ensemble

SETTING

Rome, the capital of a failing republic; then, the Middle East near Sardis and Philippi

There will be one ten-minute intermission.

Production Staff

Assistant Stage ManagersBen Kern and Derek Prestly
Associate Lighting DesignerJasmine Campbell
Assistant Lighting DesignerKyle Coyer
Properties TechnicianKaitlin Younger and Scott Frost
Fight CaptainJesse L. Cyr
Deck Run CrewNick Haubner, David LaRose Elizabeth McMonagle, Zachary Spooner, Alex Van Handel
Costume Run CrewJennifer Buse, Cassie Jenson Bria Sill, Lynzi Zettler
Costume Shop ManagerWendy Dolan*
Scene Shop ManagerKen Keith*
Costume Shop AssistantsAli Daniels, Angela Ferlo Scott Frost, Joel Heimerman, Jake Janssen Dan Klarer, Dan Olson, Sara Tan, Amber Wuttke
Scene Shop AssistantsNate Angrick, Tyler Axt Jasmine Campbell, Erik Champion, Joseph Hannon Joanna Kusilek, Patrick O'Donnell, Christopher Pheiffer Sarah Roser, Christopher Wuelling
Scene & Costume Shop CrewTheatre & Dance Practicum Students
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Box Office SupervisorChris Seefeldt*
House ManagersKatelyn Crabb, Arwen Fonzen Elizabeth McMonagle, Derek Prestly
Public Relations AssistantsTheatre & Dance Practicum Students

Meet the Company

- Anderson, Rachel (Senator; Antonia's Communications Adjutant; Forum Citizen) Junior, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Tomahawk, WI.
- Aplin, Mercer (Sound Designer) Freshman, BFA Design/Tech Major from Madison, WI. Recipient of the Theatre Arts Scholarship in Design/Technology.
- Bevan, Thomas (Casca; Riot Policeman) Sophomore, BFA Musical Theatre Major, Dance Minor from Victoria, MN. Recipient of the Anne Gilfrey Schierl Award for Outstanding Freshman in Musical Theatre.
- Boehlke, Andrea (*Caesar's Mistress; First Octavius Assistant*) Freshman, BFA Acting Major from Random Lake, WI.
- Briggs, Matthew (Cassius) Freshman, BFA Acting Major from Cottage Grove, MN.
- Campbell, Jasmine (Associate Lighting Designer) Sophomore, BFA Design/Tech Major from Sheboygan, WI.
- Chin, Kaitlin (Senator; Citizen #4; Pindarus) Freshman, BFA Acting Major, Dance Minor from Middleton, WI. Recipient of the First Nighters Scholar hip.
- Collenburg, Tricia (Cinna the Conspirator; Forum Citizen) Sophomore, BFA Acting Major from Milwaukee, WI.
- Coyer, Kyle (Assistant Lighting Designer) Freshman, BFA Design/Tech Major from Medford, WI.
- Crabb, Katelyn (House Manager) Junior, BA/BS Drama Major from Eagle, WI.
- Cyr, Jesse L. (Octavius; Forum Citizen; Fight Captain) Senior, BFA Acting Major from Waunakee, WI. Recipient of the James Mueller Scholarship.
- Daniels, Ali (Senator; Dardanius; Forum Citizen) Freshman, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Waupaca, WI.
- Debs, Katie (Senator's Wife; Clitus; Forum Citizen) Freshman, BFA Musical Theatre Major from Middleton, WI.
- Ferlo, Angela (Senator; Cinna the Poet; Forum Citizen) Senior, BFA Acting Major from Manitowoc, WI.
- Fonzen, Arwen (House Manager) BFA Musical Theatre Major from Madison, WI.
- Freer, James Roland (*Brutus*) Senior, BFA Acting from Oostburg, WI. Recipient of the Toy Box Scholarship.