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My Sister Eileen

By: Rose Anne DeLeon

If you are looking for some lighter fare in you entertainment this summer, students, faculty and community members alike need not go very far. Northeastern's Summer Theater will produce two comedies, *My Sister Eileen* and *Hay Fever*.

The first production to kick off the summer theatre season is *My Sister Eileen*, a play written by Joseph A. Fields and Jerome Chodorov. It is based on a series of short stories by author Ruth McKenney. McKenney's autobiographical stories were originally published in *The New Yorker* then later collected and published as the book *My Sister Eileen* in 1938. It would later spawn adaptations on stage, screen and radio.

The story revolves around two sisters from Ohio, Ruth and Eileen, and their misadventures while sharing a basement apartment in Greenwich Village. Older, wiser and acerbic Ruth, dreams of becoming a great writer, while the younger, more beautiful Eileen aspires to become an actress.

Although they have big dreams while living in the big city, their career aspirations are complicated by an array of colorful characters, relationships, melees and constant jolts from subway construction.

Directed by Anna Antaramian, the production will debut at 7:30 p.m. on June 10-12, 17-19, 24-26 at the Stage Center Theatre.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAIN STAGE 7:30 PM
Reservations: 773-442-4274

My Sister Eileen

June 10-12, 17-19, 24-26

Hay Fever

July 22-24, 29-31, August 5-7

FALL AUDITIONS

August 31-September 1

SUMMER CLASSES

Art of Film/Video CMTM 160-1	MW 6:00-9:25	5/21-7/01
Art of Film/Video CMTM 160-2	MW 11:50-3:15	5/21-7/01
Art of Film/Video CMTM 160-3	TR 8:00-11:25	7/02-8/18
Art of Film/Video CMTM 160-4	TR 6:00-9:25	7/02-8/18
Video Production CMTM 260-1	TR 9:00-12:25	5/21-7/01
Video Production CMTM 260-2	MW 6:00-9:25	7/02-8/18
Mass Media and Society CMTM 265-1	TR 6:00-9:25	5/21-7/01
Mass Media and Society CMTM 265-2	MW 11:50-3:15	7/02-8/18
Issues in Mass Media CMTM 365-1	MW 6:00-9:25	7/02-8/18
Public Relations CMTM 370-1	TR 6:00-9:25	7/02-8/18
Public Relations CMTM 370-2	S 8:00-11:25	5/21-8/18
Hispanic Cinema CMTM 375-1	TR 11:25-3:15	5/21-7/01
Intro to Communication CMTC 100-1	MW 6:00-9:25	5/21-7/01
Intro to Communication CMTC 100-2	TR 11:50-3:15	7/02-8/18
Foundations of Communication CMTC 101-1	MW 9:00-12:15	5/21-7/01
Foundations of Communication CMTC 101-2	TR 9:00-12:25	7/02-8/18
Foundations of Communication CMTC 101-L18	TR 5:30-8:55	5/21-7/01
Foundations of Communication CMTC 101-W1	S 8:00-11:25	5/21-8/18
Theories of Communication/Media/Theatre CMTC 200-1	TR 9:00-12:25	5/21-7/01
Voice and Diction CMTC 202-1	MWF 10:40-1:00	5/21-7/01
Voice and Diction CMTC 202-2	MWF 9:20-11:40	7/02-8/18
Intro to Theatre CMTT130-1	TR 11:50-3:15	5/21-7/01
Intro to Theatre CMTT 130-2	MWF 10:40-1:00	7/02-8/18
Summer Theatre CMTT 349-1	TBA	TBA

It's not too late to register for summer classes. Summer is a great time to get some required classes out of the way, or just take a class that sounds interesting.

The Communication, Media, and Theatre Department offers an extensive list of summer classes for everyone. Register today to secure a seat in a CMT summer class.

Stage Center Theatre

A great time for family and friends of all ages, Stage Center Theatre also offers a great value on entertainment. Admission to all productions is **free for students, faculty, and staff with an NEIU ID.**

Main Stage

General Admission.....\$10

Seniors/Alumni/Students....\$8

Children 6-12.....\$6

Studio Series tickets are all \$3

Catch *Hay Fever* at NEIU

By: Rose Anne DeLeon

After *My Sister Eileen*, Stage Center Theatre will keep audiences laughing again. *Hay Fever*, also directed by Antaramian, could only be described as a comedy about bad manners. Written by Noel Coward in 1924, the plot focuses on the extremely bohemian Bliss family and their unsuspecting weekend houseguests.

The mother, Judith, is a retired stage actress; the father, David is a novelist conducting research; and their eccentric son and daughter, Sorel and Simon, who have less than ideal manners, all invite guests for the weekend to the family's country home. However, when the four houseguests are forced to suffer through their respective hosts' melodramatic episodes, chaos, and most importantly, hilarity, ensue.

Hay Fever will make its way to Stage Center Theatre at 7:30 p.m. on July 22-24, 29-31, and August 5-7.

A Tale of Two Cities Closing Night

Congratulations to the cast and crew who worked so hard to put on a great performance!

Chris Leonard	Tony Gasbarro	Ryan Gilbert
Carrie Ediger	Norma Saldana	Tiffany Blake
Liliana Mitchell	Jonathan Gronli	Javier Chavez
Mark Penzien	Brad Cantwell	Malcolm Johnson
David Ropinski	Cheryl Lyman	Maysin Gappy
Jeff Wade	Roula Villis	Clark Bender
Jesse Adams	Howard Raik	Duncan Macnab
Caitlin Inman		Corey Hess

Fall Auditions

Open auditions for Stage Center Theatre's fall productions will be held August 31-September 1 in F109. Auditions will be held from 6-9 PM.

A prepared monologue is preferred, but cold readings will be available upon request.

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Theatre Quiz

- What does it mean to ad lib?
 - to improvise
 - to go by a script
 - to add comedy to a scene
- What is a term that people say to an actor instead of "good luck?"
 - break an arm
 - break a leg
 - breakaway
- A "falling action" is what?
 - a scene when someone falls over
 - when an actor forgets their lines
 - the scene following the climax
- Stage fright is only felt by inexperienced actors.

True False
- Which of the following are stage directions?
 - upstage
 - stage right
 - downstage
 - all of the above

April Quiz Answers

- True
- B (reading a script with no preparation)
- False
- A (children)

Answers: 1. A 2. B 3. C 4. False 5. D