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THE HOBBIT

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Director's Notes:

When J. R. R. Tolkien was spinning his tales of Middle-Earth over fifty years ago, he probably had no idea how vastly he would effect the literature of fantasy and science fiction. He could not know how his diminutive, rabbit-like, Bilbo Baggins of "The Hobbit," and, later, Frodo Baggins of "The Lord of the Rings," would become the standard by which later fantasy novels would be judged.

When the cast and I read the script provided and saw how drastically it departed from the book, we (meaning I) decided we should depart from the script and depend instead upon actual sections of the book and cast improvisations to bring back some of the fun and adventure of the journey. As any member of the cast can tell you, improvisation and story-telling can be an endeavor both extremely frustrating and rewarding, requiring incredible amounts of energy and concentration. In the end, I think our cast has come up with something which holds entertainment and humor for everyone. So, please, come travel with us, via greasepaint and imagination, through the land of Middle-Earth, where trolls may lurk around the next corner or a cache of jewels and gold may be hidden beneath your very feet.

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JULY 20-24 (CENTRAL)

Scenic Synopsis

Act I

Scene I An Unexpected Party

I, Gandolf==| Gandolf

Thirteen Mighty Dwarfs==Dwarfs

Adventure==Gandolf

No, Thank you==Bilbo

Thirteen Mighty Dwarfs (Reprise)==Dwarves & Bilbo

Scene II Roast Mutton

Eatin'--Trolls

Scene III A Short Rest

Scene IV Over Hill and Under Hill

Scene V Riddles in the Dark

Scene VI Out of the Mountains Into the Woods

Mirkwood--Gandolf, Bilbo & Dwarves

Act II

Scene I Flies and Spiders

Mirkwood (Reprise)==Dwarves & Bilbo

I Want to Go Home==Bilbo

Scene II Barrels Out of Bond

Scene III On the Doorstep

Benevolent Burglary--Dwarves & Bilbo

Scene IV A Thief in the Night

Fare Thee Well--Dwarves & Bilbo

Please No Flash Pitchers During Performance!

A SPA Tradition

Following tonight's curtain call, there will be a final musical number. The cast will be joined by the rest of the students in the Summer Performing Arts Company to perform "I Sing the Body Electric." This song has become a tradition in the SPA program. It is a symbolic song that is able to tie the entire program together. The song has different meanings to different students, but there is a common theme that can be found in the literal text. The students are celebrating not only the arts, but their growth in the arts yet to come. They will go on to create their own tomorrow as they continue in musical theatre over the next few years. The song also symbolizes the passing of a class. This is the last summer program in which the class of 1994 will be able to participate. This "passing of the tradition" is represented by the two soloists selected to sing. Judy Nhylen, a senior, will sing the first verse then turn over the spotlight to eighth-grader, Jeff Jacobi.

"And in time we will all be stars."

Administrator's Notes:

1993 has been another successful year for SPA. There are over 170 students on the junior high and senior high school level. The elementary program has over 150 students. The staff represents the best in the performing arts. I am very pleased with all of the accomplishments this summer.

With the construction at Red River, we have experienced a few "organizational" difficulties in working between Central and Red River. This has been a good experience in the importance of communication for everyone involved.

The performances you are about to view represent the culmination of all the dance, music, and drama training for the summer. As an educational experience we in SPA understand that the "process" is just as important as the "product." I know that many hours of training has gone into tonight's performance. I also know you will enjoy the student's work on stage this evening. Thank you for your support. Make plans to attend performances from other productions this summer.

Dean Opp

Administrative Director