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## Family Crisis Focus of "To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday"

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## **Quick Facts**

STUDENT LIFE

The Department of Theatre and Dance will present "To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday" April 11-15.

**ATHLETICS** 

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Directing the play will be Stephen Gundersheim, assistant professor of theatre.

ROCK HILL, S.C. - Winthrop's Department of Theatre and Dance will present "To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday," a touching play about parents and their children, from April 11-15 in Johnson Theatre.

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**ACADEMICS** 

This is the first play directed by new faculty member Stephen Gundersheim.

The play by Michael Brady centers around a husband's reclusive mourning over the death of his wife, Gillian. His family members try to bring him back to the world of the living by bringing a female guest to the summer cottage where the tragic accidental death occurred. The timing could not be worse, for it is the second anniversary of both Gillian's death and her birthday. The weekend brings about change for all – new communication, understanding and some letting go of the memory of Gillian.

The student cast includes: Ricky Watson as David, Amanda Roberts as Rachel, Cate Davison as Cindy, Darryl LaPlante as Paul, Jillian Sims as Esther, Emily Hammond as Kevin and Karina Roberts as Gillian. Four student designers also contributed: Kasey Biga, Christine Jacky, James Mintz and Jacci Deininger.

The productions begin at 8 p.m. on April 11-14 and at 2 p.m. on April 15. Tickets are \$8 with a Winthrop ID and \$15 general admission.

For reservations, call the Box Office at 803/323-4014 or boxoffice@winthrop.edu.

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