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Quick Facts

- "The Deer and the Antelope Play" will run April 1-5 in Johnson Studio Theatre.
- The play is student-directed, designed, produced and performed.

ROCK HILL, S.C. - The **Department of Theatre and Dance** will present Mark Dunn's "**The Deer and the Antelope Play**," a student-directed, designed, produced and performed play April 1-4 at 8 p.m. and April 5 at 2 p.m. in **Johnson Studio Theatre**.

"**The Deer and the Antelope Play**" offers theatregoers a glimpse into into the life of a family – widow Eleanor Kaiser (Bailey Robinson of Kannapolis, Md.), her daughter Carol (Erin Lee of Lexington, S.C.) and Carol's mentally unstable daughter Mindy (Melissa Frierson of Elgin, S.C.) – struggling to come to terms with the fire that destroyed Carol and Mindy's home. But when Kenetta (Cayci Andrews of Chapin, S.C.), a new tenant with a suspicious past, moves in, Eleanor, Carol and Mindy begin to accept the past and look forward to the unexpected future.

Theatre major Julie Hammond of Rock Hill said she signed on to direct "**The Deer and the Antelope Play**" after reading the script just once.

"By the time I finished reading the script I knew I had to direct it," she said. "It's an amazing story about learning to let the good life has to offer overcome the pain in any situation you face."

That message, she added, is one she hopes audience members will take away from the production.

"Life throws a ton of painful situations at you, but you have to learn to focus on the good so that you can make it through those situations," Hammond said.

Hammond will direct with assistance from the play's all-student production team, including Clare Provost (Hanahan, S.C.), stage manager; Jacci Deininger (Summerville, S.C.), scenic designer; Amy Evans (Florence, S.C.), costume design; Caitlin Baldwin (Charleston, S.C.), lighting design; Ben Pierce (Jefferson, S.C.), sound design; and Ben Potlechio (Hilton Head, S.C.), properties designer.

The play contains adult language and adult content. Seating is limited; reservations are required.

Tickets for opening night are \$5 with Winthrop I.D. or \$10 for the general public. All tickets on Thursday, April 2, are \$5. Tickets for performances Friday, April 3-Sunday, April 5 are \$8 with Winthrop I.D. and \$10 for the general public.

For tickets, call the **Box Office** at 803/323-4014 or e-mail boxoffice@winthrop.edu.

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