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## Quick Facts

- Show times are 8 p.m. April 8-11 and 2 p.m. April 12.
- Tickets are \$8 with a Winthrop ID and \$15 without.



ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA — Take the Marilyn Monroe-starring “**Some Like It Hot**,” mix it with the three-act farce “**Charley’s Aunt**,” and what do you get?

“**Leading Ladies**,” the newest production from Winthrop University’s Department of Theatre and Dance.

The hilarious comedy penned by award-winning playwright Ken Ludwig follows two down-on-their-luck Shakespearian actors, Jack and Leo. **Jesse Pritchard**, of Summerville, South Carolina, portrays Jack Gable while Columbia’s **Hampton Ballowe** plays Leo Clark. The two hatch a plot to pass themselves off as English women in the hopes of scamming an elderly woman out of her fortune.

The hijinks begin when the elderly woman, Florence (**Jasmine Gunter** of Columbia), begins desperately searching for her sister’s two children, Max and Steve, who had moved away long ago. Jack and Leo want to pretend to be Max and Steve, but soon realize “Max and Steve” are not two men—but are actually “Maxine and Stephanie!”

Disastrous decisions to lead to mistaken identities and romantic entanglements in this hilarious comedy.

Directed by Adjunct Professor of Theatre Russell Luke, “Leading Ladies” opens April 8 at 8 p.m. in **Johnson Theatre**. Show times are also 8 p.m. April 9-11 and 2 p.m. April 12.

Tickets are \$8 with a Winthrop ID or \$15 for the general public. Tickets can be purchased online or at the box office.

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