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### Quick Facts

- This revival is being staged in celebration of the 50th anniversary of Winthrop Theatre.
- Professor Jeannie M. Woods directed the original production and will stage the production once again.

ROCK HILL, S.C. - The play "**Reckless**," originally presented by **Winthrop Theatre** in the 1992-93 season, will run April 6-10 in **Johnson Theatre** on the Winthrop University campus.

This revival is being staged in celebration of the **50th anniversary of Winthrop Theatre**.

**Professor Jeannie M. Woods**, who directed the original production, will stage the production once again because after looking back over her 15 years at Winthrop, "**Reckless**" stands out as one of her favorite productions. "It has a huge heart – this empathy for good people doing the best they can in a very uncertain world," Woods said.

The former production was staged in **Tillman Auditorium** while Johnson Hall was under renovation with very limited technical resources. "I look forward to re-staging it in lovely Johnson Theatre, where we will be able to fully produce the play in imaginative new ways with a wonderful new cast," Woods added.

**Assistant Professor Anna Sartin** has designed multiple moving stages and flying backdrops to stage this cinematic play.

"**Reckless**" is an exceptionally imaginative and startling dark comedy by **playwright Craig Lucas**, author of "Prelude to a Kiss." It revolves around a young mom named Rachel whose deliriously happy Christmas Eve is shattered when her husband tells her he has taken a contract out on her life.

Rachel flees and is taken in by good people, Lloyd and Pooty. Life has been reckless with these people who work for little money and good causes, who struggle without proper health care or security, and whose past haunts them. Rachel loses her Pollyanna naïveté but gains a true understanding of her inner strength and in the end finds her own happiness in offering solace to others.

Performances are April 6-9 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, April 10, at 2 p.m. in **Johnson Theatre**.

Tickets are \$5 for Winthrop students with I.D. and \$10 general admission. For ticket information, call 803/323-2287.

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