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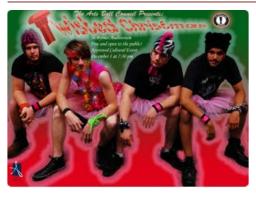


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Quick Facts

- Arts Ball 2011: "A Twisted Christmas" will be held Dec. 1 at 7:30 p.m. in Byrnes Auditorium.
- The ball's story line is centered around a family on Christmas Eve, and audience members can expect some strange antics to occur courtesy of the adults and the children in the extended family.



ROCK HILL, S.C. – Take a little from the holiday classics "'Twas the Night Before Christmas" and "A Christmas Carol" and you have the makings of this year's Arts Ball at Winthrop University.

The Arts Ball 2011: "A Twisted Christmas" begins Dec. 1 at 7:30 p.m. in Byrnes Auditorium.

The ball's story line is centered around a family on Christmas Eve, and audience members can expect some strange antics to occur courtesy of the adults and the children in the extended family. In addition to the student performers, music professors Jerry Helton and Mark

Lewis join the cast as well.

According to Jill O'Neill, flute instructor and creator of the event, the event is planned, produced and performed by students in O'Neill's "Special Topics in Interdisciplinary Arts Production and Performance" class. "The students have designed everything including the storyline, costumes, choreography, set, lights and instrumental performances," O'Neill added.

The event also will feature appearances by the Grinch, Frosty the Snowman, reindeer, elves and Santa.

Admission to the Arts Ball is free and open to the public, and the ball is an approved cultural event for students. Contact O'Neill at 803/323-3797 or oneilli@winthrop.edu for more information about the Dec. 1 event.

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