

Bennington College

Presents

Drama Workshop

1. "Lake Scene" . . . . . Mary Otis  
Mrs. Wright: Josephine Parker  
Mrs. Gardiner: Helen Brauns  
(Off stage voices: Mary Otis, Melvin Rothbaum)  
Directed by Mary Otis

2. "Macbeth" . . . . . Shakespeare  
Macbeth: Joseph Schaaf  
Lady Macbeth: Joann Straus  
Directed by Joann Straus

The scene begins as Macbeth has gone off-stage to murder Duncan.

3. "Uncle Vanya" . . . . . Anton Chekhov  
(two scenes)  
Sonya: Polly Kirsten  
Yelena: Joy Schuyler  
Yebim: Melvin Rothbaum

The action takes place on Serebyrakov's estate. He is a retired professor in ill health. Yelena is his second wife and Sonya is his daughter by his first wife. The Doctor is a friend of the family and has just left Sonya at the beginning of Scene I.

4. "King Henry the Eighth" . . . . . Shakespeare  
Anne Bullen: Mary Otis  
Old lady: Sally Price  
Lord Chamberlain: Melvin Rothbaum  
Directed by Mary Otis

When this scene takes place King Henry is about to divorce his present wife, Katherine.

5. "Infernal Machine" . . . . . Jean Cocteau  
The Sphinx: Joann Straus  
The Child: Carolyn Arnold  
The Matron: Josephine Parker  
Directed by Rita Friedman

In order to trap the young men of Thebes, the Sphinx assumes the shape of a young girl and as such she does not enjoy killing. In the scene just before this one, she complains to her helper Anubis about her disgust at having to take lives. He reminds her that she must obey the laws of the higher Gods. It is her duty to kill. This conversation is interrupted by the entrance of the Matron and her Child. The action takes place on a road outside the walls of Thebes.

6. "Rocket to the Moon" . . . Clifford Odets  
(four scenes)

Dr. Stark: Joseph Schaaf  
Belle, his wife: Mary Otis  
Cleo, his secretary: Joy Schuyler  
Mr. Prince, his father-in-law: Melvin Rothbaum

The action takes place in Dr. Stark's New York office. There is an interval of several weeks between Scenes II and III.

7. "Alice in Wonderland"  
(The Mad Hatter's Tea Party) . . . Lewis Carroll

Alice: Helen Brauns  
March Hare: Rita Friedman  
Mad Hatter: Joan Rorimer  
Dormouse: Jay Merriss

Directed by Jay Merriss

Costumes under supervision of Carolyn Robinson  
Lights: Joann Straus, Joseph Tetreault  
Stage manager: Rita Friedman  
Crew: Allyn Johnson, Patricia George, Ethel Winter  
Dressers: Carolyn Robinson, Mary Sherwood

The Theatre  
Bennington College  
Friday Evening, October 28, 1943  
at 8:30