

Zara Spook Comedy Planned at SWOSU

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Southwestern Oklahoma State University's production of the hilarious comedy *Zara Spook and Other Lures* will be staged Saturday, February 16, through Monday, February 18 on the Weatherford campus. Performances each night are at 7:30 p.m. in the Old Science Building Auditorium. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for non-SWOSU students and free for individuals with an SWOSU I.D. Company members include SWOSU students (front from left): Ashley Howard, Fort Worth TX, properties designer and graphics designer; Tiffany Tuggle, Hollis, Margery and makeup designer; and Tanner Fisher, Calumet, Talmadge and costume crew. Middle row from left—Mindy Herb, Benbrook TX, makeup assistant and crew; Ariana Farris, Fay, properties crew; Randi Wallace, Hobart, Evelyn; Eryn Brooks, Woodward, Teale and makeup crew; Rusty Edwards, Kingfisher, Mel; and Edward Pierce, Guymon, sound designer and sound board op. Back from left—Heather King, Kingfisher, Ramona; Dayna Robinson, Altus, scenic design assistant and costume designer; and Anne Wicker, Cody NE, stage manager.

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The production, directed by guest director Patt Ward Curtin, is sponsored by the SWOSU Department of Communication and Theatre. Performances each evening are at 7:30 p.m. in the Old Science Building Auditorium on the SWOSU campus.

The comedy, whose title comes from a popular fishing lure called a Zara Spook, is about three women (Evelyn, Teale and Ramona) who drive from West Virginia to Truth or Consequences, N.M., for an annual national women's fishing championship sponsored by Bassin' Gal magazine. Three other characters (Talmadge, Mel and Margery) add to the wonderful group of eccentric characters. The comedy is written by Joan Ackermann.

Curtin, a graduate of SWOSU, is a familiar name to audiences as she has directed previous productions at SWOSU. Two years ago she directed *Mrs. Bob Cratchit's Wild Christmas Binge*. Some may know her work from other venues throughout Oklahoma. She is the founder and organizer of Watonga Community Theatre (WCT) and the chair of the renovation committee for Watonga's Liberty Theatre, where she has directed numerous productions—including state, regional, and national award winning productions for the WCT.

Throughout the state Curtin has directed in Muskogee, Okemah, Elk City, Altus and Sayre. She has been a driving force in an ongoing drive to raise scholarship money for SWOSU theatre students through the Communication and Theatre Department's annual children's theatre production. It is through her relationship with the WCT Board that the department has been invited to perform at the Liberty Theatre for the past five years.

Admission for the upcoming performance at SWOSU is \$5 for adults, \$3 for non-SWOSU students and free for individuals with an SWOSU I.D. For more information, please call 580-774-3082.