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July 16-August 30

ARTIST OF THE MONTH Artist David Rowswell initiates dialogue with his viewers

By Dean Poling dean.poling@gaflnews.com

Monday, January 28, 2002

VALDOSTA — Flashes of color in corcompositions mark the work of Sparks a Artist of the Month exhibit with the Sou

Geometric shapes are juxtaposed aga each print, creating an bursts of color a sign.

Rowswell's prints are viscosity mono in 1998 as part of a series for his master

"The viscosity method of printing in inks with varying degrees of slipperine ing parts of those layers to create areas ors on a plate before printing on paper," hibit notes. "The resulting image often I ty that is both mysterious and familiar."

There is a certain comfort in viewing ing fall leaves floating on an otherwise t

"I believe art should be a dialogue be the creator," Rowswell says in an artisti work is an attempt to initiate that dialog familiar enough to evoke a memory, a fe sonal association. The rest of the dialog er looks deeper into the work and disco that are only intended for that art viewe looking beyond the artwork and into the artist."

Rowswell is an art teacher with Cool month he was voted Teacher of the Yea his wife and fellow artist, Georgia Rows dren, son Ian and daughter Abigail.

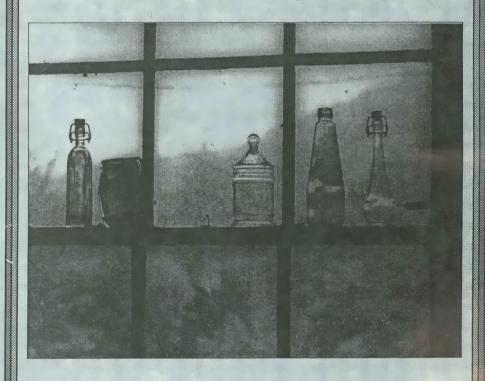
David Rowswell's work is on display of The Valdosta Daily Times' 201 N. Tro



'Summer Breeze,' artist Da

Rachael L. Cowart

"Revealed by Light"



Hall Gallery Art Exhibit October 21- November 30, 2002

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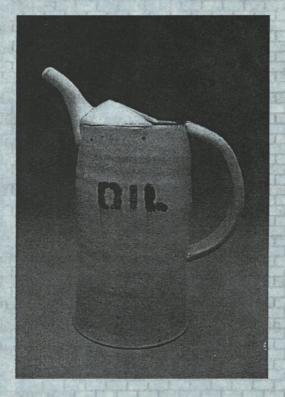
Main Gallery Art Exhibit

June 3-July 15, 2002

Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission

Arts

Michael T. Schmidt Recent Works



Hall Gallery Art Exhibit June 3 - July 7, 2002

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'Girl', oil pastel, collage, Dennis Rothfuss, 12th grader, Valdosta High School.

Students shine in art show

By Dean Poling

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VALDOSTA - It's an eclectic collection of work ranging from sculpture in wood and metal to ceramics to illustrations in pastels, pencils, acrylics to painting from various schools of artistic thought.

And all of the artists are high school students. Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Center, 1204 N. Patterson St., is currently hosting an exhibit of work from seven South Georgia high schools.

Sponsored by LVAC and Valdosta State University's art department, the show displays dozens of works from Valdosta High School, Lowndes High School, Brooks County High School, Lanier County High School, Thomas

School and Coffee County High School. It is an impressive show. There are fewer entries than in past high school shows, but what this exhibit lacks in quantity, it more than makes up for in quality.

The artwork was juried and evaluated and prizes winners were selected. On this page, we present some of the winners, honorable mentions, as well as other entries representing Lowndes, Valdosta, Brooks County and Lanier County high schools, all of which are within The Valdosta Daily Times' coverage area. There are exceptional winning, and non-prized, entries from the other three schools, as well.

The high school art exhibit runs through mid-January at LVAC. It ends with a 3 p.m., Jan. 12 reception for the students and the public.

More info: LVAC, 247-2787.





Roderick
Dawson, 12th
grader,
Brooks High
School,
second place.



'The Guitarist', pastels, Aryn Rosenbaum, 12th grader, Valdosta High School, honorable mention.



'Peppers', oil pastel, Paige Lester, 9th grader, Lowndes High School, honorable mention.

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July 2001

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Sally Newman

The Southern Artists' League

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LVAC presents new show

Gum's work is on display in LVAC's Hall Gallery.





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Acting Workshops

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Number of participants:

Up to 30.

Number of Observers:

Up to 300.

Space Needed:

Auditorium or large open space.

Time:

50 minutes and up.

Stage Combat



Given by Fight Directors in the company. Students learn simple hand to hand combat, circus skills, and the use of weaponry in a staged fight (user-friendly weapons). Students learn how to move and fall.

Participants:

30 (must wear loose clothing and sneakers - no skirts).

Observers:

Up to 200

Space:

Gymnasium/large room or stage area with wood floor.

Creative Writing Workshops

Available with all elementary school programs.

A team of two or more artists use drama, movement, music and voice to write creatively.

Description: Artists, students and teachers create a story together through role playing. Using the 5 senses – sight, touch, hearing, taste and smell – students create an original story. Students act out action, character description, time, place, dialogue and development of the plot. Everyday items (such as a spoon), music and vocabulary are used in the creation of the work. All students write their own ending to the tale. Two of these workshops can be given simultaneously in different spaces.



Participants:

Space:

Needs:

Time:

25 students and 2 artists from the acting company

Classroom, library, media center or auditorium, theatre

Open space - teacher is asked to write down story.

45-50 minutes.



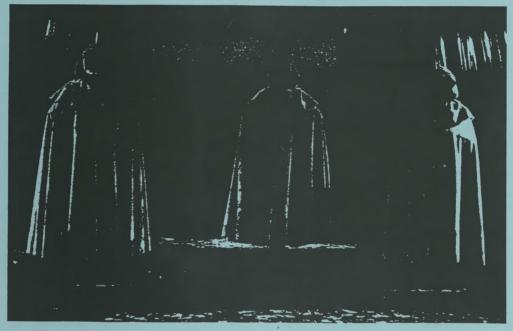
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MACBETH

By William Shakespeare

STUDY GUIDE

INTRODUCTION

tiere is a strong possibility that Macbeth was first presented before King James at Hamata



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October 17, 2002

Dear English Teacher,

Please encourage your students by giving them extra credit to attend *The Taming of the Shrew* on November 4, 2002, 7 PM, at Mathis Auditorium. The cost to students is \$6, half price, because the L/VAC Arts Center pays the other half. Teachers and chaperones may attend free of charge. There will be a program handed out at the play, which can be turned in, to prove attendance. Also a seven-page study guide is available by calling me at 247-2787.

GMT Productions, which is bringing us this play, is directed by Gail Deschamps,



GEORGIA'S PREMIER PROFESSIONAL THEATRICAL TOURING COMPANY

The Taming of the Shrew

By William Shakespeare

STUDY GUIDE

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Shakespeare, William (1564-1616), the supreme English poet and playwright, recognized in much of the world as the greatest of all dramatists. A complete, authoritative account of Shakespeare's life is lacking; much supposition surrounds relatively few facts. His day of birth is traditionally held to be April 23; it is known he was baptized on April 24, 1564, in Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire. The third of eight children, he was the eldest son of John Shakespeare, a locally prominent merchant, and Mary Arden, daughter of a Roman Catholic member of the landed gentry. He was probably educated at the local grammar school. In 1582 he married Anne Hathaway, the daughter of a farmer. He is supposed to have left Stratford after he was caught poaching in the deer park of Sir Thomas Lucy, a local justice of the peace. Shakespeare and Anne Hathaway produced a daughter in 1583 and twins—a boy and a girl—in 1585. The boy did not survive.

Shakespeare apparently arrived in London about 1588 and by 1592 had attained success as an actor and a playwright. Shortly thereafter, he secured the patronage of Henry Wriothesley, 3rd Earl of Southampton. The publication of Shakespeare's two fashionably erotic narrative poems Venus and Adonis (1593) and The Rape of Lucrece (1594) and of his Sonnets (1609) established his reputation as a gifted and popular Renaissance poet. The Sonnets describe the devotion of a character, often identified as the poet himself, to a young man whose beauty and virtue he praises and to a mysterious and faithless dark lady with whom the poet is infatuated. The ensuing triangular situation, resulting from the attraction of the poet's friend to the dark lady, is treated with passionate intensity and psychological insight. However, Shakespeare's modern reputation is based mainly on the 38 plays that he apparently wrote, modified, or collaborated on. Although generally popular in his day, these plays were frequently little esteemed by his educated contemporaries, who considered English plays of their own day to be only vulgar entertainment.

Shake speare's professional life in London was marked by a number of financially advantageous arrangements that permitted him to share in the profits of his acting company, the Chamberlain's Men, later called the King's Men, and its two theaters, the Globe Theatre and the Blackfriars. His plays were given special presentation at the courts of Queen Elizabeth I and King



PLAY PHOTOS: Georgia Mountain Theater

MACBETH PLAYS WEDNESDAY, VALDOSTA.

A Vocal Warrd

Two Shakespeare plays come to region next week

By Dean Poling

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VALDOSTA

hakespeare in an English class environment — sitting at a desk on an afternoon when dust seems to sparkle like stars in a beam of sunlight, reading the pages of a Shakespearean work, or listening to an untutored student colleague read the lines in a droning monotone — is a dull business. Hard to imagine how many English classes have ruined Shakespeare for the mass public by forcing teens to read his works without ever seeing a Shakespeare play performed. Without the vocal inflection and unfolding action, Shakespeare is often viewed as a collection of old, incomprehensible words — beautiful, poetic, powerful words — but without some proper introduction, for many students, Shakespeare's words rattle around on the page

meaning nothing. Well, to put it bluntly, there is a reason so many students, and later adults, find the bard



boring — Shakespeare was meant to be heard not read. Shakespeare was a playwright. He wrote plays to be performed by trained actors. He wrote "scripts" to be heard and seen. Imagine reading the scripts to some of your favorite movies; imagine reading "Casablanca" without Humphrey Bogart playing Rick, just you in a room reading "Play it, Sam," without hearing the world-weary loss in Bogart's voice. Or imagine reading a script to one of the early James Bond movies, reading 007's famed introduction. "Bond. James Bond," without hearing Sean Connery's famed brogue, without the light of the cigarette, and the arching of an eyebrow. Becomes pretty dull stuff. So too Shakespeare.

It would be great if every classroom study of a Shakespeare work opened with a well-done live performance or a filmed version. Then study the work and discuss it, like people sitting around talking about parts of their favorite movies. This could happen. Shakespeare, after all, knew what he was doing; there is a reason why his plays are still performed, read, and discussed hundreds of years after they were first written and performed. William Shakespeare, whomever he was or wasn't (which is a discussion for another day) wrote plays that could be appreciated by royals as well as the unruly crowds that massed into the Globe Theatre to watch them. In college, I studied theater and acted in several plays; one year, we performed "Othello" and one of our stops was a performance at a women's prison. The inmates were restless at first, ah but the magic of Shakespeare performed and a captive audience, by the end, they booed the villainous Iago, they yelled warnings to Othello not to kill the beautiful Desdemona, they sat in rapt attention as the plot unfolded and the damage was done. The inmates of the women's prison represented the best audience we had for the show.

As for Shakespeare, he wrote something for everybody. He wrote broad comedies and towering tragedies, and almost every play opens with a scene meant to either amuse, shock,



THE TAMING OF THE SHREW PLAYS MONDAY, VALDOSTA; THURSDAY, MADISON, FLA.

frighten or titillate the audience. An attention grabber before the main plot fully unfolds a device that is still used regularly in movies today. He wrote plays that delved into human emotions, humor and pathos, greed, lust, ambition, betrayal, love, friendship. In Shakespeare scholar Harold Bloom's book, "Shakespeare: The Invention Of The Human." he writes "Literary character before Shakespeare is relatively unchanging; women and men are represented as aging and dying, but not as changing because their relationship to themselves, rather than to the gods or God, has changed. In Shakespeare, characters develop rather than unfold, and they develop because they reconceive themselves. Sometimes this comes about because they overhear themselves talking, whether to themselves or to others. Self-overhearing is their royal road to individuation, and no other writer, before or since Shakespeare, has accomplished so well the virtual miracle of creating utterly different yet self-consistent voices for his more than 100 major characters and many hundreds of highly distinctive minor personages."

If you are a teen-ager and that sentence leaves you shaking your head and still wondering why Shakespeare still means something today then look to the shelves of video stores at recent teen movies. "O" is the story of Shakespeare's "Othello" set in a sports-driven high school. "Romeo + Juliet" is the modern telling of Shakespeare's doomed teen lovers "Romeo and Juliet." "Ten Things I Hate About You" is based on "The Taming Of The Shrew."

So, you see Shakespeare still has something to say and it should be heard. There are three opportunities coming soon to South Georgia and North Florida to hear Shakespeare.

THE TAMING OF THE SHREW: Described by Bloom as being "as much a romantic comedy as it is a farce," "Shrew" is a grand comedy of the meeting of a spirited man and an equally spirited woman. Though heavily male chauvinistic for today's audiences, it is still a funny play.

"The Taming Of The Shrew," presented by Georgia Mountain Theater Productions. plays 7 p.m. Monday, Mathis City Auditorium, 2311 Williams St., Valdosta, and is sponsored by the Lowndes/Valdosta Arts Commission. Tickets: \$6. More information: LVAC, 247-2787. ALSO: GMT's "The Taming Of The Shrew" plays 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Van H. Priest Auditorium, North Florida Community College, Madison, Fla. Tickets: \$6; students, teachers: \$11. general public. More information: (850) 973-1613.

MACBETH: "A killing machine," Bloom writes, "MacBeth is endowed by Shakespeare with something less than ordinary intelligence, but with a power of fantasy so enormous that pragmatically it seems to be Shakespeare's own." Full of witches and the cunning Lady MacBeth, "MacBeth" is a primary study in dark ambition.

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The Taming of the Shrew

by William Shakespeare

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Set Design: Jeff Horsley * Lighting Design: Tim Moon

Costumes: Tony Smithey * Movements: Ax Norman

Sound Design: Gail Deschamps * Stage Manager: Tim Moon

Cast in alphabetical order

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Lucentio, Pedant, Curtis	Nicholas Jaeger
Trainio, Nathaniel, Tailor	Ax Norman
Baptista, Gregory	lan Oldaker
Petruchio	Ed Roggenkamp
Hortensio, Vincentio, Haberdasher, Widow	Tony Smithey
Kate	Teri Watts
Bianca, Biondello, Phillip	Virginia Worley



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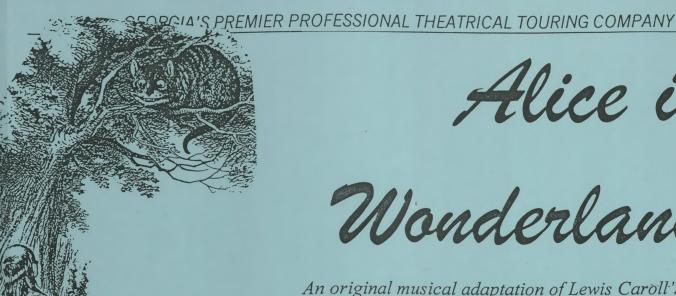
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Curriculum Connections: Grades 3-5: Think about words, author's viewpoint, fact and opinion, cause and effect; Language: vocabulary, metaphor. Social Studies: Native Americans, Exploration, Colonization, Location, Direction and Distance. Art: Masks, Indian Art and American Music. Grades 6-8: Social Studies: Georgia History, Early Inhabitants, European Exploration, Colonial Georgia, History of the Cherokee Trail of Tears.

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Both children and adults were spellbound!" Arts Council of Murfreesboro, TN

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TICKETS \$ 3.00

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