



Department of Theatre and Film

The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon

(one-act)

A Short Comedy by Don Zolidis

Directed by Hope McIntyre

Produced by special arrangement with Playscripts, Inc. (<u>www.playscripts.com</u>)

CAST

(in order of appearance)		
Narrator 1		
Narrator 2		
Actor		
Girl/Plinkie Pie		
Dirt Merchant/Snow White		
Enchantress/Witch 1		
The Devil/Witch 2		
Prince/Dwarf 1		
Prince 2/Queen		
Johannes		
Joliannes		
PRODUCTION TEAMS		
Emeka Ezenduka, Christian Highway, Colin Parsons		
Jessica Lodge		
Francesca Lesaca		
Jaden Hutchison, Seth Yager		
Aanu Aribilola, Holly Drysdale, Wynn Tran		
Paisley Poirier		
Victor Balmana		
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Department Chair	Adam Parboosingh
Master Carpenter / Production Instructor	
Production Coordinator	
Assistant Prod Coordinator / Production Instructor	Colin Wiens
Costume Instructor	
Technician	

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Running time:

Approximately 75 minutes – no intermission

A Quiet Room is available for anyone who requires it.

Please see House Management in the lobby for any accessibility needs.

Please turn off your cell phone.

The photographing, video and/or audio recording of this performance by any means whatsoever is strictly prohibited.

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DIRECTOR & CAST NOTE

What happens when you have 14 advanced acting students from a range of backgrounds select the play they would like to perform – a ridiculous, silly, over the top, hilarious, and chaotic adaptation of classic fairy tales. Just as the script itself was the choice of the class, the casting was also done collaboratively based on student preference for roles that would both excite and challenge them.

Rehearsals and preparation have been the full focus of the Acting III: Advanced Practice course since mid-February.

Although this was intended to be a minimalist production with a focus on acting, it took on a life of its own. It is also an opportunity for students who may be going on to produce their own work or teach, to tackle all the components of putting up a show. Due to everyone's passion and commitment we ended up with dozens of props and costumes plus a real team effort on staging with what was available to us for set, sound, and lighting. The students also undertook all the marketing and promotional work as well as rehearsal stage management. It truly takes a village!

Finally, we want to acknowledge that this play draws on German fairy and folk tales from the Brothers Grimm. Offering a range of roles for a large number of actors was one of the challenges in script selection. However, it is not our intention to prioritize these stories above those from any other culture or above the storytelling from these lands, which has a much longer history. These supposed classic tales and their modern adaptations by "the mouse" have allowed us to explore with critical thought what has been popularized and taught to us. It is important to explore how ridiculous they truly are and have fun doing it!