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Alex Pellet (left), Rachel Daughtry (middle) and members of the ensemble rehearse a scene from “Urinetown.”

A world without free restrooms

PlayMakers is ending its youth conservatory with “Urinetown.”

By Katie Marriner
Staff Writer

Students of PlayMakers’ Summer Youth Conservatory will take viewers into a world where a 20-year drought has rendered the population unable to urinate without paying a fee. To end the five-week conservatory, the high-school students will perform the Tony Award-winning comedy “Urinetown: The Musical” four times, beginning July 19.

The musical is a satire that follows the lives of a group of haves and a group of have-nots. The have-nots are exploited by the wealthy few who run the toilets everyone has to use, guest director Jeff Stanley said.

“Comedy is difficult; comedy is not easy, and to have that satire, ‘Urinetown’ is really poking fun at everything from big corporation to musical theater itself to the idea of romantic love,” said Jennifer Wales, education manager of PlayMakers.

“Urinetown: The Musical” will open Thursday, July 19 at 7:30 p.m. Performances will continue on Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Paul Green Theatre on UNC’s campus.

Tickets are \$10 for students and children, \$13 for PlayMakers season ticket-holders and \$15 for the general public.

Twenty-four high school stu-

dents were accepted into this year’s program. The acceptance process is much like a regular audition. They must prepare a monologue and during call-backs are asked to recite scenes from “Urinetown,” Wales said.

“They’re kids from all over the Triangle area,” Wales said. “This is a chance for them to connect with one another; they might not have met one another, had it not been for this program.”

The musical is co-directed by Julie Fishell and Jeff Stanley. Stanley is a theater professor at Fairfield University in Connecticut, and Fishell is a professor at UNC.

“Both (Fishell and Stanley) are incredibly bright and talented and have an amazing eye for comedy,” Wales said.

Adrian Thornburg plays Bobby Strong. Strong is the romantic lead who is responsible for heading the revolution in the dystopian society, Thornburg said.

“This experience is very much about putting on a great show,” he said. “It’s also about making each individual actor and actress better; I really feel like I’ve

“URINETOWN”

Time: Thursday, Friday, Saturday at 7:30 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

Location: Paul Green Theatre

Info: www.playmakersrep.org

learned things here that I can use throughout the rest of my career.”

Laura Bevington plays Hope Cladwell, the daughter of the antagonist, Caldwell B. Cladwell. She gets caught up with the proletariat and constantly does not know which way to go, Bevington said.

“It’s great to work with people who are passionate about what they are doing,” Bevington said.

“We’re really proud of the production and the kids are working really, really hard,” Stanley said. “I think a lot of times people hear the title and think ‘Oh my god, what the heck is that?’ What they should know is if they buy a ticket to see it, they won’t be disappointed.”

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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Leaves with a peppery taste

6 Experian, formerly FDR's dog

13 Blimp filler

15 Young gang member

17 Pilot Earhart

18 Classic sitcom sidekick

19 Relationship where three is a crowd

21 Makes level

22 Nats' MLB div.

23 Entering-a-hot-tub sounds

27 Revival setting

28 "Not another word!"

31 Swamp critters

33 With agility

34 [Headdesk]

37 Mineral in the raw

38 Pebble Beach prop

39 Capp and Capone

40 Gamer's screen image

42 Happy hoops sound

44 Original Teyve player

46 Feminizing suffix

50 Canal to the Hudson River

51 "... we there yet?"

52 Roll-on brand

53 "Forget it!", and a hint to the starts of 19-, 28- and 44-Across

57 Warning often shouted too late

60 Emulate

17-Across

61 Health program since 1965

62 Performer using

lots of notes

63 Beach toy

64 Hot

65 West Yorkshire city

DOWN

1 Après-ski hangout

2 Do away with

3 Late news time

4 Bit of muscle?

5 Looks good on

6 Piz Bernina's range

7 Dangerfield of "Caddyshack"

8 "The World of Suzie ____": 1960 film

9 Pistol, e.g.

10 Player rep.

11 Thai native

12 Former Texas governor

14 Scuff up

16 Texter's roar

20 How freshly caught fish

should be kept

24 Actress Jessica

25 Cross-country course feature

26 1974 Gould/Sutherland CIA spoof

28 Black-clad, masked hero

29 Newsmen Roger

30 One-eighties

32 Give in to wanderlust

34 Stupefy

35 Walkie-talkie word

36 Big name in espionage

38 Experienced trick-or-treater, perhaps

41 Pedicure focus

42 Like crosswalks

43 Leading lady

45 About 30% of Africa

47 Emergency room procedure

48 Added some color to

49 Border neateners

52 Ibuprofen brand

54 Available sans Rx

55 37-Across carrier

56 Utility bill item

57 Little dickens

58 Spot in the afternoon?

59 Reagan-era mil. program

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