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‘The Glass Menagerie’ March 7-9 at ABAC

TIFTON— The Baldwin Players will present the Tennessee Williams’ drama, “The Glass Menagerie”, March 7-9 in Howard Auditorium at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College.

Curtain time is 7 p.m. each night for the play which is free of charge to ABAC faculty, staff, and students. There is a $5 admission fee for the general public. Dr. Brian Ray, Baldwin Players Director, said the play deals with adult themes and situations and contains some strong language.

“The Glass Menagerie” is a four-character memory play. Debuting in 1944 and then moving onto Broadway in 1945, it garnered the New York Drama Critics Circle Award. Many thought this play to be autobiographical of Williams' life with his mother and sickly and supposedly mentally ill sister, Rose. The characters and story parallel his own life more closely than any of his other works.

The cast includes Dr. Erin Campbell as Amanda, Pate Council as Tom, Nikki Evans as Laura, and Tre’mon Mills as Jim.
Amanda Wingfield is a faded Southern belle abandoned by her husband who is trying to raise her two children under harsh financial conditions and yearns for the comforts from her youth. She wishes the same comforts for her children, but her devotion to them has made her almost "hateful" toward them.

Tom Wingfield is Amanda's son and Laura's younger brother who supports his family but is frustrated by his job and aspires to be a poet. Grossly misunderstood by his mother and feeling both obligated toward and burdened by his family, he escapes from reality through nightly trips to the movies and local bars.

Laura Wingfield is Amanda's daughter and Tom's older sister who has a limp due to a childhood illness and an inferiority complex that has caused her to isolate herself from the outside world and create a new one symbolized by her collection of glass figurines.

Jim is an old high school acquaintance of Tom and Laura who was a popular athlete during his days at Soldan High School and is now a shipping clerk at the same shoe warehouse in which Tom works.

For more information about the play, interested persons can contact Ray at (229) 391-4969 or e-mail him at bray@abac.edu.

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