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The Lindenwood Colleges will present "THE HOSTAGE"--a play by Brendan Behan, an Irish playwright. Directed by Lou Florimonte, chairman of Lindenwood's Communication Arts Department, the play will run from December 3 through December 7 in the college's Jelkyl Center for the Performing Arts.

"THE HOSTAGE" is set in a disreputable Dublin lodging house peopled by a strange mixture of I.R.A. men, religious eccentrics, and prostitutes. In the midst of this, a Cockney soldier is held as a hostage in retaliation for an I.R.A. soldier condemned to death the next morning. "What sounds tragic turns out to be uproariously comic," said a critic from the "New Yorker" magazine. According to Florimonte, the play doesn't have the usual formal structure. Instead, the actors talk to the audience, joke among themselves, and lend colorful Irish humor, exploding with life, to a play that might otherwise only mirror a poignant drama. Although the play is filled with light comedy, some portions of the script deal with life in an adult manner, and the play is not recommended for children.

Members of the cast, all Lindenwood students, come from New Jersey, Ohio, Nebraska, Kentucky, and the Kansas City area, as well as from <sup>other parts of</sup> Missouri and the St. Louis-St. Charles area. On December 3, 4, 6, and 7 the curtain is at 8 p.m., with a 10 a.m. matinee on Thursday, December 5. Ticket prices are \$1.50 for the 3rd and 4th, and \$2.50 for the performances on the 6th and 7th--students are half price and senior citizens are admitted free. For further information or to make reservations call Lindenwood, 723-7152 or (toll free) 946-6912.

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