



PRESS RELEASE: Ferris Theatre Program to Present 'The Best Man' in Williams Auditorium

Sandy C Gholston to: Archive

04/01/2013 10:51 AM

Included below is a press release regarding the Ferris State University Theatre Department presenting "The Best Man," running Thursday, April 11, through Sunday, April 14 at Williams Auditorium on the Big Rapids campus. Any questions about this release, or requests for interviews, can be directed to Sandy Gholston, News Services and Social Media Manager.

To read the online version of this story, visit:

<http://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/news/archive/2013/april/best.htm>

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 1, 2013

Sandy Gholston
Ferris State University
News Services and Social Media Manager
sandygholston@ferris.edu, (231) 591-2021

Ferris Theatre Program to Present 'The Best Man' in Williams Auditorium

BIG RAPIDS – The Ferris State University Theatre Department will present “The Best Man,” a play about power, ambition, political secrets, ruthlessness and the race for the presidency on Thursday, April 11 through Sunday, April 14 in Williams Auditorium.

The production will be presented at 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday.

“Although the play is not a comedy, it is well-written and should be entertaining,” said Katherine LaPietra, coordinator of Ferris’ Theatre program. “Students should still be able to identify with some of the characters while also being glad they aren’t like others. Also, several students may also be able to receive extra credit for attending.”

“The Best Man” is a Tony-nominated play by American playwright Gore Vidal about two presidential candidates seeking their party’s nomination: Secretary William Russell and Senator Joseph Cantwell. When Cantwell threatens to smear Russell’s reputation with a rumor about his mental health, Russell faces a tough decision. Will he unleash an equally devastating smear on Cantwell to win the presidential ticket or keep his moral integrity intact even if it means losing the race? As it turns out, campaigning is about honesty and morals and being true to oneself, sometimes at great cost to a dream.

Playing William Russell will be Tyler Griffith, a junior majoring in Forensic Biology. Freshman Isaac Wilson, a Music Industry Management major, will play Joseph Cantwell.

Student tickets are \$4, \$6 for seniors and \$8 for adults. Tickets are available for purchase online at www.ferris.edu/arts/tickets.htm, at the Williams Auditorium box office or at the door. For more information, call (231) 591-5600.

To learn more about Ferris' Theatre program, visit:

<http://www.ferris.edu/htmls/colleges/artsands/humanities/thth/>

-30-

Sandy Gholston
News Services and Social Media Manager
Ferris State University
420 Oak Street
Prakken Building 108
Phone: (231) 591-2021
News Services Web site: www.ferris.edu/news
Ferris State University News Blog: ferrisstatebulldogs.blogspot.com/

This message may contain confidential and/or proprietary information and is intended for the person/entity to which it was originally addressed. Any use by others is strictly prohibited.