

BACKSTAGE PASS

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UIL Clinics

The Langham Creek Theatre Ensemble's cast of *Everybody* had their first official clinic with Mrs. Koern on February 17th. The cast put on their best performance for Mrs. Koern and was given great advice on how to make the show even more special! We can't wait to see the other performances at UIL on March 8th. Thank you to Mrs. Koern for giving us the opportunity to perform in front of you and helping us with our show.

Upcoming Events



March 8
UIL



March 24th
Social



April 5th
Troupe Meeting

What is *Everybody*?

Our show *Everybody*, is a modernized version of the notorious morality play, *Everyman*. *Everybody*—hounded by Death—desperately searches among everything and everyone in hope of finding something to take along on life's final journey. This play induces the audience to ponder upon their own morals, how they're living their lives, and their own interpersonal connections and relationships. There's a twist though, 5 incredible actors have memorized the entire script and every role (save 4 preset roles) and have their roles decided on stage by lottery.

Interview a UIL Member

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How has your experience with rehearsals been so far

1. As we near the competition, I feel like rehearsals have been more about honing in on refining moments within the play, rather than fixing, so it's been a lot more relaxed and fun.

What was your favorite memory from your UIL experience this year

2. My favourite memory from this year's UIL is probably when we went bowling together, I learned that I'm a pretty good bowler.

What do u wish was different

3. If I could change anything about UIL, I would change the time frame from 40 minutes, because although it seems long, it can put a lot of pressure on us to sort of race against the clock which can create issues with the acting aspect of the play.

What's one thing you are thankful for in during this process

4. I'm thankful for the character(s) I've been chosen to play because it has helped me grow immensely as an actor even though it was a lot to take on. Nothing's ever wrong with getting better.

Interview a Senior

Interview with Al

Introduce yourself! hi i am al. (or this is what al want to be put: 'hi im al and i have a period inaccurate obsession with bards. i think court bards are the ideal career and if all else fails i will make my debut.'

: this is up to you if you want it □ □)

What are you most looking forward to for the UIL show? this uil show im most looking forward to the reactions of the audience and seeing what a FULL tech crew can do in terms of creating a cohesive design and executing it in a way that elevates the entire show.

What is your favorite part working in this production? my favorite part of working in this production would just be how much fun i can have with the design from just how the script is written and executed and how fun it is to work mortality into the effects and pieces used.

In the class itself? my favorite part of the class itself is the little bonding moments we have before and directly after the bell rings and sharing our collections of brock pics.

As a senior, what are your goals for the future? as a senior i am looking to attend scad with a major in sound design with hopes to become an audio engineer (thanks brock for telling me about it its so yas and slay and the college i see myself enjoying the most).

Troupe Meeting

This month we had an amazing Troupe meeting filled with love, fun, and sweets. The meeting began with everyone writing affirmations for their fellow Thespians.

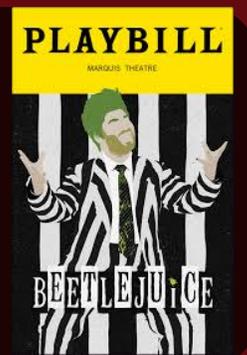
After affirming other people, they then affirmed themselves. Following this, we split into groups and made cards for Valentine's Day and participated in a theatre themed scavenger hunt. Everyone's cards were so creative and cute, and definitely filled a lot of people's hearts with love. The team who completed the scavenger hunt the fastest got first dibs on snacks, and we ended the meeting eating lots of cookies and candy and just enjoying one and others's presence.

What Did We Do This Month?

Currently in productions we are learning about podcast productions! This is a several week learning segment that we are being introduced to. This consists of certain topics such as recordings, sound enhancements, interviews, and editing. This takes up much time, as why the lesson is spread out amongst the course of several weeks. The productions class enjoys this lesson, as it doesn't just help students with their filming and podcast skills, but as it bring students together. This is because of many interviews, students find themselves agreeing on certain topics that they thought that other students wouldn't relate on. Overall, this a fantastic lesson experience for all!

Monthly Broadway Picks

This month I picked my alltime favorite musical, Beetlejuice! I love this musical because of the technical aspects that are put into it, but also because the character of Beetlejuice has been a lifelong dream to play and I would sell everything to be able to play Beetlejuice or even see it on Broadway



What Do Other Fine Arts Have Planned?

Lots of exciting things are happening around school in the lonely month of February! The Fine Arts Council had a major success with selling Valentine Day grams, many people received grams that were much appreciated. Speaking of Fine Arts, the Balidorias swept up their first weekend of competitions, taking home various awards, the biggest being Grand Champion Team! Lady Lobo basketball has also been successful this month, making it to Bi-Districts with their latest game! Let's not forget about the many students who are also artists here, with Langham Creek earning 55 medals at their UIL Art competition, with seven of them making it to state! Meanwhile, culture at Langham Creek has been booming more than ever! Not only have new clubs, like the Hispanic Student Union, and the Neurodiversity Unification Club had their first meetings this month, joint socials have become increasingly popular, with the joint social between After School Tea Time & SAMOSA being the talk of the school! All in all, a lot has been happening at Langham, and it's only getting better from here!



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