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Beatrice (Kaitlin Olson) punishes servant Truffaldino (Charlie Kimball) in the University Theatre play 'The Servant of Two Masters.'

Theater: Physical comedy will not disappoint audience

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be non-stop action with lots of physical comedy."

Boyd is an associate director at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, and he has directed plays such as *Much Ado About Nothing*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and *Two Rooms*. He said *The Servant of Two Masters* will not disappoint the audience.

"Good comedies are very rare, so anyone looking for a fun

evening in the theater won't be disappointed. It's a very theatrical production, and the audience will be involved," he said.

The play's cast includes sophomores Kristene Elizabeth Todd, Jessica Grindell, Micah Sunshower Klatt and Charlie Kimball and senior Kaitlin Olsen.

Tickets are \$4.50 for University students, \$7 for senior citizens and University faculty and staff and \$9 for the public.

Bible stories portrayed with humor, wit

The Reduced Shakespeare Company will present an 'abridged' stage version of the Bible at the Hult Center

By Jesse Stephenson
Entertainment Reporter

When a play is produced about a literary work that is widely read and recognized by almost everyone, chances are it will become successful.

When a play is produced by a group that includes a well known name such as Shakespeare, chances are it, too, will become successful.

When a play is able to contain both elements, chances are it will create a night of entertainment. This is the case in the Reduced Shakespeare Company's production of "The Bible: The Complete Word of God (Abridged)," which will be performed at the Hult Center on Nov. 14.

The portrayal of some of the better known stories in the Bible may sound as though it would be somber, like a Sunday morning church service, but in reality, it is the opposite. While there are many examples of lightheartedness, the Reduced Shakespeare Company does portray the necessary points, such as the Resurrection. The group is also careful to avoid being mean-spirited in any way during the show.

Among the examples of the cast's humor is presenting the Top Ten Rejected Commandments, as well as using a water pistol as the popular tool for baptisms. Audience participation is also included, as the members will board Noah's Ark during the song "Old MacDonald."

The Reduced Shakespeare Company also believes that computers were invented well before the twentieth century. Their proof is that Eve had an Apple.

Creation of this show required selectivity of sections of the Bible used as well as a lot of creativity to transform the play into a two-hour performance.

Critics have called the show creative and entertaining. "Zany ... a triumph of good 'n' silly over evil," said *The Boston Globe*.

"The Reduced Shakespeare Company put the 'fun' back into 'fundamentals,'" said *The Baltimore Sun*.

"The Bible: The Complete Word of God (Abridged)" will begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and \$18, with youth discounts available. They can be purchased at the Hult Center Box Office and the EMU Ticket Outlet.

Before the show begins, local theologians will discuss the performance and explore the use of humor as a teaching tool. The discussion will occur in Studio One and will begin at 6:45 p.m.

KWVA Top 10

The 10 albums on 88.1, KWVA, as determined by DJ airplay for the week ending Nov. 1.



#1 *Fever In Fever Out*, Luscious Jackson

#2 *A Crash Course for the Ravers*, Various

#3 *Operation Heavenly*, Heavenly

#4 *Dance Hall at Louse Point*, John Parish and Polly Jean Harvey

#5 *Now I Got Worry*, The Jon Spencer Blues Explosion

#6 *Nude and the Rude: The Best of Iggy Pop*, Iggy Pop

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