

Corwin plans for a future in performing arts

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Since about the age of eight Dennis Corwin, Jr. has known that he loves acting and that is what he wants to do with his life.

Corwin is heavily involved in the performing arts at Clackamas. He is currently in the production 'The Bedroom Farce.' His character is Nick, an international businessman who hurt his back and is bed-ridden through the entire play.

"Nick is spoiled. He has to stay in bed during the whole play, and he just lies there while the other people in the play take care of him and entertain him," Corwin explained.

Corwin has also been in two one-act plays at Clackamas. He was also in 'The Vampire' and 'The Half Soul Gift.' He is active in dance and music, and during the summer he will be in the musical 'Oklahoma' at the Portland Civic Theatre.

"Musicals are my favorite to perform in because you incorporate music, dance, and acting all together," said Corwin.

Corwin feels that a "good self

image" has helped him to become a good actor. He is a character actor so he is able to play a "variety of contrasting characters," which enables him to "explore and create" his roles.

"I have a high self-drive and a good self image as far as acting is concerned, and I want to succeed," Corwin said. "I strive for what I want and I don't stop until I get it."

He also feels that "parental support and support from family and friends" has helped him a great deal. He says that acting gives him "complete exhilaration," and that he "loves people and interacting with people" and if he can make them laugh or stir their emotions then he has accomplished his purpose.

Corwin compliments Jack Shields for being a "fantastic director who has taught me a lot."

Corwin grew up in Colton. "It is a small, simple town. In school there was a lot of individual attention (because of the size of the school), but I also feel that I missed out on some things that I wouldn't

have if I went to a bigger school," Corwin said. His senior year in high school he pushed for the school to give awards for theatre as they did for sports. That year he received the award for best all-around actor at Colton High School.

Corwin was heavily involved in Boy Scouts for about 10 years and has earned Eagle Scout, the highest rank in Boy Scouts. "I have worked hard to achieve Eagle Scout. It is a highly respected achievement in Boy Scouts," Corwin said.

Corwin knows that he will be a "professional" actor of some sort, and "will eventually be on Broadway." Next year he isn't sure what he is going to do. He may attend the Pacific Ballet Theater School.

Corwin is currently one of three of the Fred Bears in the Portland area. Fred Bear is the mascot for Fred Meyer. "It's a new way of acting for me, and I get paid for it," commented Corwin.

"I will just let life take me where it goes until I find a place that I feel comfortable with," Corwin said.



Photo by Julie Church

Dennis Corwin, Jr. is very active in the performing arts at Clackamas. He is in the current production, 'Bedroom Farce.'

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