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The event climaxes the second year of the Theatre Interface program, which is supported by a grant from the YSU Foundation.

Interface was designed to encourage the development of theatre programming in area high schools and to foster interaction among area theatre organizations.

The following high schools participated in the 1986-87 Theatre Interface program by presenting the productions listed below:

Austintown Fitch High School "The Diary of Anne Frank" "Grease"

Badger High School "The Music Man"

Brookfield High School "Rehearsal for Murder"

Campbell Memorial High School "I Remember Mama" "Father Knows Best"

Chaney High School
"Three One-Act Comedies"
"Performing Arts Festival"

Columbiana High School "Babes in Arms"

Farrell High School "The Play's The Thing" Greenville Senior High School Anouilh's "Antigone" "The Odd Couple"

Hubbard High School "The Diary of Anne Frank" "Annie"

Mohawk High School "Cheaper by the Dozen" "Oklahoma!"

Rayen High School
"A Christmas Comedy Engagement"
"Don't Bother Me, I Can't Cope"

Sharon High School "The Pajama Game"

Southern Local High School "The Bat"

Struthers High School "Handful of Rainbows" "Bone Chiller!"

Ursuline High School
"Two by Two"
"A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum"

Warren Western Reserve High School "Voices from the High School"

Each of the 16 participating high schools invited a team of respondents composed of representatives from YSU's Department of Speech Communication and Theatre and the Youngstown Playhouse to attend performances of theatrical productions presented at their respective schools.

The group that viewed the shows and then discussed the performances with the casts and crews were: Dr. Frank A. Castronovo, associate professor of Speech Communication and Theatre, Bob Gray of the Youngstown Playhouse, Dr. Dennis R. Henneman, associate professor, Dr. Bill G. Hulsopple, professor of Speech Communication and Theatre, Dr. Timothy J. Lyons, dean of YSU's College of Fine and Performing Arts, Wendy Buchwald Pakalnis of the Youngstown Playhouse,

Jane Shanabarger, instructor in Speech Communication and Theatre, and Kathleen Appugliese.

The Department of Speech Communication and Theatre is part of the College of Fine and Performing Arts.

During the June 2 "Gallery" program, some of the participating high schools will present scenes from their productions.

At the conclusion, each of the participating schools will be awarded a trophy signifying their contribution to the Theatre Interface program and theatre arts in their respective schools.

Bob Gray from the Playhouse will be the master of ceremonies.

The program is free and open to the public.

The awards presentations will be followed by an informal and open reception in the Bliss Hall Gallery/Lounge.

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