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MUSIC THEATER ENSEMBLE TO PERFORM OPERA SCENES MAY 26 AT UNIVERSITY

MISSOULA--

The Music Theater Ensemble of the University of Montana will present an evening of scenes from the operas "Cosi fan tutte," "Martha," "The Mikado," "The Merry Wives of Windsor," "Mignon" and "The Magic Flute" May 26.

The recital begins at 8:15 p.m. in the UM Music Recital Hall and is open to the public without charge under the sponsorship of the UM School of Fine Arts and Department of Music.

The program contrasts the various kinds of comedy found in opera from composers Mozart to Gilbert and Sullivan.

A unique presentation of comic duets and ensembles, the performance is the culmination of a year of study by ensemble members.

The Music Theater Ensemble is directed by George D. Lewis, associate professor of music at UM, and Esther England, visiting music instructor at UM.

Ensemble members include Jeannine Marie Morrow, Baker; Deborah Anne Clark, Karmen Jean Ochsner and Katherine Ann Honaker, Billings; Colleen Marie Russell, Butte; Carol Marjorie Davidson, Janine Marie Belhumeur and Susan Kay Rovero, Great Falls; Gene R. Alex and Nicholas D. Alex, Hingham.

Also, Paul W. Gjefle, Laurel; Adrienne June Dussault, Valorie Jean Lenz, Judy Ann Donham, Signa Ruth Gustafson, Gary P. Cordial, Robert A. Harkins, Gloria Genivea Phillip Richard J. Stewart and Peggy Ann Swisher, Missoula; Austin M. Gray, Neihart; Vicki Lynn Merley, Ronan.

And, Karen Kay Welker, Shelby; Janis Marie Stodden, Whitefish; Roger K. Thompson, Hayward, Calif.; Gail Ann Grossman, Edmonds, Wash.; and Teddie Joy Richardson, Thermopolis, Wyo.

The Music Theater Ensemble will be assisted by pianists Chris Biehl, Garneill; Eva Marian Maxwell and Carol Ann Zielke, Missoula; and Richard W. Cohen, Brookline, Mass.

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