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Auditions for Winter Quarter productions of Montana Masquers set for Dec. 13-14

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Auditions will be held on December 13 and 14 in the Masquer Theater at the University of Montana in Missoula for roles in the Montana Masquers' winter quarter productions. Any UM student may audition.

The auditions will be private, with only the directors present. Interested UM students may sign up for a specific audition time at the UM Department of Drama/Dance in room 201 of the Fine Arts building. More information on audition requirements is available by calling David Dannenbaum, assistant professor of drama, at 243-5572.

Roles for five men and six women are open in John Guare's "The House of Blue Leaves," a tragic-comedy directed by James D. Kriley, chairman of the UM drama/dance department.

Parts also are open in "Benvenuto Cellini," directed by Dannenbaum. The play, based on the life and writings of a Renaissance Italian goldsmith, libertine and mystic, will be created by the cast and evolved by Dannenbaum and David Cohen, playwright-in-residence at UM, using a method developed by Jerry Grotowski, a well-known director and author.

Students auditioning will prepare two pieces, of contrasting type and style, each lasting two minutes. The directors will call back the persons auditioning on Dec. 15 and will make the final selection of the casts Dec. 16.

Rehearsals for the plays will begin in January, 1977. "House of Blue Leaves" will be presented from Feb. 9 to Feb. 19 and "Benvenuto Cellini" will be from March 2 to March 12.