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MISSOULA---

Ten University of Montana drama students received special drama awards Tuesday night during the 11th annual Masquer Awards Banquet in the Florence Hotel, Missoula.

The awards were presented through the UM Department of Drama's Masquer Theater.

Named best actor was Glenn G. Gauer, Great Falls, for his performance as Brutus in "Julius Caesar," one of three plays presented during a three-week tour by the Montana Repertory Theater.

Selected best actress was Barbara Trott Crump, Missoula, formerly of Billings, for her performance as Kate Hardcastle in "She Stoops To Conquer," another of the three Repertory plays.

J. Duncan Crump, Missoula, husband of Mrs. Crump, was named best supporting actor for his portrayal of Marc Anthony in "Julius Caesar," the third Repertory Theater play.

Named best supporting actress was Sue Helen Hunt, Missoula, for her portrayal of the Baroness in "An Italian Straw Hat."

Other award winners named Tuesday night included Alan A. Goddard, Butte, playwriting award, and the Daniel Bandmann Award for outstanding success in all phases of theater; Lester H. Hankinson, Kalispell, best student director, and Gauer, production award.

Achievement awards went to George D. Cowan, Great Falls; Terri Lynn Doremus, Chicago; Rosalie Jean Bracco, Butte, and Miss Hunt.

Recipients of the New Royal Masquers award were James T. Ulmer, Townsend, and Hankinson. New officers for the Montana Masquers also were announced Tuesday night. They include Ulmer, president; Miss Hunt, vice president; Nancy Johnson Great Falls, secretary, and Miss Bracco, historian.

Cyril Van Duser, who is retiring as publicity news director at UM on July 1, received a special award for 35 years of service to theater in Montana.

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