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UM MASQUERS TO PRESENT
SHORT MENOTTI OPERAS

MISSOULA----

The Masquer Summer Theater at the University of Montana will present two short Menotti operas, "Help! Help! The Globolinks," and "The Medium," July 16 through 19 at 8:15 p.m. in the University Theater.

"Help! Help! The Globolinks," is a children's opera about out-of-space invaders of the planet Earth.

"The Medium" is an eerie opera about an intermediary between the living and the dead who slowly goes crazy.

Twelve Missoula youngsters will appear in "Help! Help! The Globlinks" along with Masquer players and members of the UM Opera Workshop. The Missoula youngsters will include Scott Ingall, Loren Larson, Gordon Swarthout, Kevin Ingall, Terry Quinn, Joe Guay, Kyle Rocheleau, Kristine Ibsen, Susan Malick, Val Lenz, Mary Burt and Sue Gooley.

Other members of the cast and the characters they will portray include Janet Kenney, Missoula, Madam Euterpova; Don Collins, Missoula, Tony; Elsie Achuff, Harlowtown, Bob Wilson, Chaton, Alta., Can., Timothy; Emily; Nick Alex, Hingham, Dr. Stone; /- ; Todd Briggs, Brady, Dr. Turtlespit, and Freddi Ibsen, Missoula, Mrs. Penelope Newkirk. and Gene Alex, Hingham, Mr. Lavender-Gas.

In "The Medium," Miss Kenney portrays Monica and Briggs plays Toby. Other cast members include Esther England, Missoula, UM music instructor, Madam Flora; Ann Carey, Missoula, Mrs. Gobineau; Gene Alex, Mr. Gobineau, and Nora Collins, Missoula, Mrs. Nolan.

Guest director for the 13th season of the Masquer Summer Theater is Ronald Kiest, who also directed the Masquer's first production of the season, "Man of La Mancha."

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John L. Lester, UM professor of music, is directing the Summer Opera Workshop and is musical director of the two operas.

Admission charges to see both operas will be \$2 for general admission, \$1.50 for students and \$1 for children under 12. Reservations can be made by phoning 243-4971.

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