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## Welcome to the 2017/2018 School Year!

Welcome back Wooster Players! We hope you had a fantastic summer, and we are looking forward to another wonderful, but busy year of theatre. Whether you are a new theatre student or Wooster Players veteran, there are many upcoming opportunities to get involved with the troupe. Auditions for the fall production, *Figments* by Billy St. John, will be held on August 28 th and 29 th. We look forward to seeing new faces!

In addition, the annual Tech-Leadership Conference will take place at Spanish Springs High School on September 8 th and 9 th. This event is a great opportunity to explore the technical aspects of theatre.

Although school is just beginning, it is never too early to begin looking for competition pieces. In the past, Wooster Players have done very well at regional, state, and national levels, so we want to get off to a strong start this year!

We encourage you to do as much as you can to participate in Wooster Players events. Theatre is more than an art form. Theatre is an avenue to become involved in a community, express creativity, and develop an appreciation for performance. We hope to see you at the upcoming events!

## “Figments” Auditions on Aug. 28/29!

In this classic formula sit-com, Rick Jacobs is a playwright with a wild imagination— perhaps too wild! As he attempts to overcome a massive case of writer’s block, his thoughts bounce between his frustrating love life and his play. The real people and the figments of Rick’s imagination clash riotously with the fictional characters in his play. If you ever wondered what goes through a playwright’s mind, this farcical comedy reveals it all—hilariously.

In this comical play, there are 14 parts in total—7 female and 7 male. There is a variety of different characters, all with their own quirks, so come ready to make strong choices and show off your talent at auditions. The two day audition process will consist of cold readings from the script. If you get cast in this fabulous piece, you will be expected to attend rehearsals Monday through Friday with set days on Saturdays, so make sure to clear your schedule!

### Our Year In Review

#### August

**August 28/29**  
Auditions for Fall  
Production: *FIGMENTS*

#### September

**September 8**  
Northern Nevada  
Leadership Conference

**September 9**  
Northern Nevada Tech  
Olympics

#### October

**October 19-22**  
Fall Production:  
*FIGMENTS*

#### November

**November 18**  
IB Theatre Arts  
Collaborative Projects

#### December

**December 8**  
Night of Comedy, Drama,  
& Improv

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Every year, the university of Lincoln Nebraska comes to life for the International Thespian Festival where theatre students from around the world come to celebrate their shared passion for theatre and expand their knowledge of the arts. This summer, the Wooster Players, thanks to generous donations and fundraising, were able to send 9 students to the festival – three of which received a scholarship for receiving perfect scores at state competition.

During this week at the festival, the Wooster Players were busy at work attending phenomenal shows put on by high schoolers from across the country, such as Nevada's state show 'The Hunchback of Norte Dame', and workshops held by theatre professionals. When not attending shows or workshops on anything you can imagine, from improv to puppetry, the players showed off their spirit by going all out with the dress

up days together. On 20's night they stepped back in time to become flappers and gentleman, on black out night they went undercover as secret agents, and on red out night they formed their very own biker gang.

The festival was not all fun and games though; towards the middle of the conference, four of the Wooster Players suited up in their professional black and showed off their talent by competing with their pieces one last time. All four players did a great job and two of them, Nicholas Scott and Parker Gibbons, received a superior for their moving performance of 'Burning the Old Man' by Kelly McCalister. If you would like to show off your talent or expand your knowledge on theatre, start tackling your competition pieces now so you can make your dream of one day attending ITF a reality. For more information on the International Thespian Festival, go to <https://www.schooltheatre.org/home>.



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## January

**January 20**  
Northern Nevada  
Theatre Festival  
(Regionals)

## February

**February 2**  
IB HL Theatre Arts Solo  
Piece

**February 9**  
State Showcase

**February 12/13**  
Auditions for the Spring  
Production

## March

**March 7-11**  
Nevada Thespian State  
Conference (Las Vegas)

## April

**April 19-22**  
Spring Production

## Tech and Leadership

Would you like to discover what it takes to be a great leader or uncover the technical side of theatre? If so, the two day tech and leadership conference at Spanish Springs would be perfect for you.

### Note:

This event is for Advanced and IB Theatre students only. Notify Gibbons if you would like to go. The event is on September 8 and 9.