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HOLIDAY RADIO DRAMA FEATURES GOBLINS AT THE ICE HOUSE

BERKELEY SPRINGS, WV- Morgan Arts Council's Ice House Theater Project celebrates the holiday season with an original play, Hanukkah Goblins, written by Brice Williams and directed by Margi Griffiths. The show opens on Friday, December 8 at 7:30 pm at the Ice House and runs for two weekends

In a special twist, the play is staged as a live radio drama where crew turn the Ice House Theater into a 1940s radio studio and the Radio Players and musicians step up to the microphones to present Hanukkah Goblins.

Written by local theater teacher Brice Williams, the play is inspired by the children's book Hershel and the Hanukkah Goblins. Set in Eastern Europe during the 1800s, this folk tale tells the story of a village overrun with goblins who prevent the town from celebrating Hanukkah. A traveler, Hershel, comes to the town's aid and enlists the villagers in ridding the synagogue of the pesky goblins.

The production features a multitude of actors portraying various characters as they recreate a 1940s recording studio, as well as several characters in the story. Audiences will recognize some familiar faces, such as Margi Griffiths, Brice Williams, Caitlin Tobin, Reece Griffiths and Ann Williams, as well as longtime MAC theatre favorites Abbie Brown and Charles Balkan. There are special guest appearances and new players to delight the audience.

Talented actor's voices, live music and sound effects create a story of colorful characters, not-so-scary goblins, and festivities with lessons about Hanukkah and a message of hope. This light- hearted yet profound story is a perfect antidote to a hectic holiday season for the whole family.

Showtimes are 7:30pm on Friday and Saturday, December 8 and 9 and 15 and 16. There are 2pm matinees on Sunday December 10 and Saturday, December 16. A special pay-what-you-can performance is on Thursday, December 14 at 7:30pm.

Tickets are available at the door: \$10 Adults, \$8 MAC Members, \$5 Students

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The Ice House is at the corner of Independence and Mercer Streets in downtown Berkeley Springs, WV. For more information on this and other MAC activities, call 304-258-2300 or visit www.macicehouse.org.