

**Eighth Line resident**

# CBC actor in 'Prisoners of Time'

By DAVE ROWNEY  
Herald Staff  
Fresh from his performance as Lord Beaverbrook in the CBC television series "Some Honorable Gentleman", Georgetown's Jim Rankin will be on stage live in Toronto beginning tonight.

The 14 year veteran of theatre is a seasoned professional who is playing the part of a futuristic salesman in the play "Prisoners of Time".

The month-long run can be seen at the Toronto Free Theatre on Berkeley Street.

Mr. Rankin, 32, lives on the Eighth Line just outside Georgetown in a house owned by Allison's farm.

For the past two years, the much travelled actor has settled down on the farm in a

102 year old house with his wife Dalila and their golden retriever Kane.

Prisoners of Time is a comedy about a group of baby boomers who have grown old and are put in an old age home during the year 2031. Showing sparks from their teenage years, the elders plot and scheme against their sons, daughters and officers of the state.

Written by a new playwright Laszlo Barna, Mr. Rankin says "there's a lot of excitement towards a new script, but also a lot of tension." He explains that new plays often go through a tremendous amount of scrutiny and re-writing before show-time.

Born in Montreal, Mr. Rankin was raised in Port Credit and went to high school there. He remembers first getting

the theatre 'bug' from a teacher who in grade seven "dropped a script on my desk and said he thought I should be in the play."

He left high school within six weeks of graduating to join the Canadian Mime Theatre who are based in Niagara-on-the-Lake. He was their gofer, props person and actor. The troupe travelled in some far circles such as the International Children's Festival in Bulgaria in 1972.

After almost two years with the mime group, Mr. Rankin enrolled in the National Theatre School in Montreal which is the only one of its kind in Canada. It's strictly a trade school with no academic subjects taught - just a heavy schedule of plays and



**JIM RANKIN**  
courses on acting, design and production.

The three year course doesn't turn out polished actors, but it does expose people to the business, he says.

Since then Mr. Rankin has toured many different part of Canada and lived in a number of major centres while

performing. He and his wife have lived in Winnipeg, Ottawa, Vancouver and Saskatoon.

The actor toured Saskatchewan for the Globe Theatre in Regina for four years, worked at the CBC, then went to Theatre New Brunswick for a show called Equus.

At the National Arts Centre in Ottawa, he played a part in the production of "Woyzeck".

At Shaw festival he played a variety of roles for three seasons, signing a seven-month contract each time.

In the CBC television series "Some Honorable Gentleman" Mr. Rankin can be seen playing the part of Lord Beaverbrook in the segment of the series called Sam Hughes' War tonight and tomorrow.

The minus side of travelling is that often you have to pay two rents, and there's possibility of a financial loss, he says.

A short tour is fun, but living out of restaurants and hotels isn't always rosey, he says.

"The best payoff is to have a good audience and a good hotel," he says.

The versatile actor is doing more radio and television dramas now, including the Judge series on the screen and a drama for CBC radio's Morningside program.

His classes in design from school are coming in handy because he has been asked to make tin can characters for Alcan who are publicizing their recycling programs.

## the HERALD Entertainment

### GLTs Dorothy busy as 'Wizard's' helper

By ROBIN BAKEWELL  
Herald Staff  
There seems to be a bit of a dangerous situation at the Hunt residence in Georgetown.

Ron Hunt, who is directing Georgetown Little Theatre's production of the Wizard of Oz, has his wife, Dorothy, as the producer.

"The producer of a production has to do a lot of running around and picking up of stuff after the director," Mr. Hunt explained.

"We've got a whole household devoted to the Wizard of Oz," he said.

Three weeks into rehearsals, the play opens on Dec. 7, 7:30 p.m. at the John Elliott Theatre. Additional performances will be presented Dec. 8 and 9 at 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

An original adaptation from the story, Mr. Hunt said he has more or less written GLT's version himself.

Toto won't be in the production because, as Mr. Hunt puts it, "dogs on stage are very undesirable. As far as the monkeys go, nowhere in the world could I find 300 flying monkeys," he said.

"There's no place like home," is what Mr. Hunt said the story is all about.

"Although Dorothy

travels to Oz and finds it very beautiful, she is still aware of the dangers there and realizes there is no place like home," he said.

GLT presented the Wizard of Oz about eight years ago at Wrigglesworth Public School. Mr. Hunt said this production will have the added bonus of a more lavish set with more room and better space for choreography.

Jill Evans is the choreographer and is presently working with small children playing the parts of the munchkins. These children will double as the residents in Emerald City.

Haydn Evans, who was musical director for the last production will once again take that responsibility. This time a new "Mother System" will be incorporated in the production which is alleged to produce almost any sound from a piano.

Many prominent rock groups are trying to acquire the "Mother System" and Mr. Hunt said GLT feels "very lucky to have the talented young man with the production team."

Georgetown's Ron Hill will be portraying three different characters including the wizard.

## Christmas concert for Choral Society

Once again the Georgetown Choral is pleased to present two concerts in this year's Christmas celebrations. These will start Nov. 30 with a Festival of Carols, in Holy Cross Church and will be followed on the Sunday, same venue, with a performance of The Messiah, with full orchestra. Tickets (\$5 and \$6, respectively) can be obtained by calling 877-8815 or Oxbow Books,

877-8861.

The choir will do a warm up performance in Fergus as part of that town's closing sesquicentennial celebrations, at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on Nov. 25.

Once again, the choir director, Dale Wood, has brought together a group of talented musicians from the student body and the alumni of the University of Toronto's Faculty of Music.

This is a collection of very capable musicians several of them appearing with the Choral Society for the fourth time.

The 'promoter' and senior for the group, replacing David Harding, is cellist Paul Widner. His credits are becoming most impressive having played with the National Ballet and Toronto Chamber Orchestras.

Come follow Dorothy (Chris Farragan) down the yellow brick road. Join in her adventure as she meets the Scarecrow (Hal Porter), Tin man (David Tunny), a Cowardly Lion (Daryl Johnson) and eventually comes face to face with "The Wizard of Oz" (Ron Hill). See the wicked witch (Rosanne Newlove) and her cohorts as they try to outsmart Dorothy who has been helped along the way by Glinda (Fern Slawson) and the lovable inhabitants of Oz Land. Don't miss the excitement and all the fun.

It's all going to happen at the John Elliott Theatre on Dec. 7, 8 and 9. Tickets are \$3 and are available at the theatre box office Thursdays from 4:30 to 8 p.m. and by phoning 877-3700.

"This Christmas show is intended to entertain adults and children alike," said Ron Hunt, who is directing the show, which is his own adaptation of the well loved movie.

### Bateman etching

An etching which wildlife artist, Robert Bateman created for an exhibition of his work at the Halton Hills Cultural Centre in June is being offered in the annual Lucky Christmas Draw, sponsored by the Friends of the Halton Hills Public Libraries.

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While Santa Claus and his reindeer made their way down Georgetown's Main Street Saturday afternoon, the Georgetown Choral Society didn't even budge to take a peek at him from their roost in Knox Presbyterian Church. They were holding a four hour rehearsal-a-thon, during which they practised songs for their upcoming concerts and also managed to raise some money, through sponsorship, to buy new tuxedos and dresses for performances.

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