

I Hate Hamlet is an enjoyable outing

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We all undergo a little self-examination at some point in our lives.

Such is the case in Georgetown Little Theatre's current offering, *I Hate Hamlet*, which opened this past week at John Elliott Theatre.

The story centers around young actor Andrew Rally, who is undergoing a career crisis. He inexplicably auditions and gets the lead part of Hamlet. Simultaneously, he moves into his new apartment, which coincidentally was once occupied by the ghost of famous actor John Barrymore. The result is a funny yet sometimes introspective look at a person taking stock of his situation.

GLT veteran Brian Banyard absolutely shines as Barrymore. His sometimes

arrogant, sometimes matter-of-fact manner dominates the show, and he has the audience eating out of his hand. Banyard becomes more and more 'alive' in his part as the play progresses, and delivers a sterling performance.

Robert Jepson is Andrew Rally, and presents a fine portrayal of the self-doubting actor. He is cocky yet seems to show a certain vulnerability that makes the character very attractive.

Andrew's girlfriend, Dierdre McDavey is played by Julia Tiller who gives us the epitome of a ditzy romantic, who the audience can easily like.

Real estate agent Felicia Dantine is played by Carol Beauchamp, presenting a somewhat shallow character who is only really concerned with herself. The part of Lillian Troy, Andrew's agent, is very nicely handled by Pat Green. Green has perhaps some of the best lines in the

play, and she presents the aging German lady with a cynicism that compliments the character.

Another GLT veteran, Paul d'Entremont plays the obnoxious L.A. agent Gary Peter Lefkowitz with a passion and makes Lefkowitz a truly royal pain, with his annoying materialistic outlook.

The set is effective, since it incorporates an apartment with a stage-like look in itself, complete with a balcony and archways that depict a theatrical flavor.

Lighting was even and effective, but sound effects timing did suffer a little on opening night.

Georgetown Little Theatre has a real winner with *I Hate Hamlet*. Although it is essentially a comedy, it has an underlying message about those who must undergo a self examination from time to time. There is no doubt, an evening of *I Hate Hamlet* is most enjoyable.

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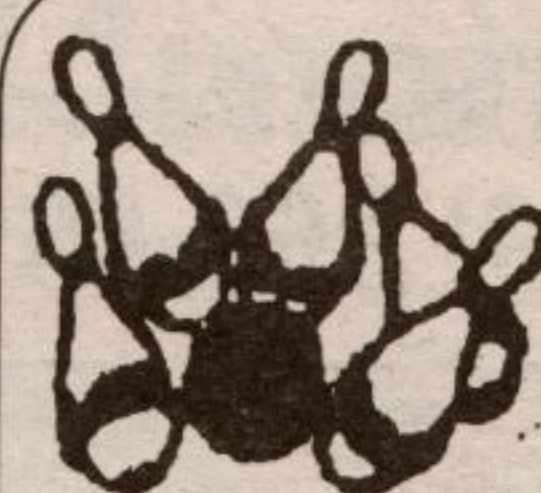


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The 9th Georgetown East Brownies would like to thank Dawn Livingstone for a guided tour of downtown Georgetown on April 3. History came to life with imagination as we ventured the main street as it was years ago.

—By Carol Harper

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