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Musical Production "Oklahoma!" to be Performed by U of M, Crookston Music and Theater Students from Thursday, March 29 through Sunday, April 1, 2012, in Historic Kiehle Auditorium at the U of M, Crookston

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Music and theater students at the University of Minnesota, Crookston will be performing the musical Oklahoma! under the direction of Associate Professor George French. The production is scheduled to take place on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, March 29-31, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. along with a special matinee performance on Sunday, April 1 at 3:30 p.m. Tickets for the performances are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. Students at the U of M, Crookston are free with their U-card.

Oklahoma!, the first musical written by the team of Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II, is set in Oklahoma Territory in 1906 around the town of Claremore. It focuses on the story of cowboy Curly McLain and his romance with farm girl Laurey Williams along with another romance between cowboy Will Parker and his fiancée, Ado Annie. The performance of Oklahoma! at the U of M, Crookston features an all-student cast and crew.



The musical is based on the play "Green Grow the Lilacs" by Lynn Riggs and choreography based on the original dances by Agnes de Mille. Oklahoma! is presented through special arrangement with R&H Theatricals: www.rnh.com.

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