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Directed by Cecelia Rinaldi

October 31, Nov 1, 2, at 8 p.m.
& Nov 3 at 2 p.m.
At Stuart's Opera House



Jade Morris of Nelsonville is the Artist Behind the Theater Logos

Long before the lines are learned and the costumes fitted, a dramatic production needs a logo—a simple, catchy graphic that captures the essence of the play and the attention of a viewer.

Sixteen-year-old Jade Morris of Nelsonville, Ohio, has found her niche in the Athenian Berean Community Players by creating logos for their productions. Her first show logo appeared on posters and advertising for *First Things First*, which was performed in May, 2013. Her logo designs will also be used for ABC Players' upcoming productions of "Death by Chocolate" (directed by Cecilia Rinaldi and sponsored by Hocking Valley Bank) and "The Princess and the Goblins" directed by Celeste Parsons and sponsored by Blackburn Home Furnishings).

Jade, a junior at Athens High School, has been drawing "since I was able to hold a pencil." She has taken art classes from elementary to high school, including mixed media, photography, and ceramics and occasionally does ceramics work in the Nelsonville Emporium.

Her logo designs usually start with a pen-and-pencil sketch, with color added later to a digitized copy using Photoshop. The style of her drawings varies from the 1940s realism used for "Death by Chocolate" to whimsical, fantastic creatures and landscape illustrating "The Princess and the Goblins."

Jade is interested in science as well as art, and that interest helps shape her art work. "I love nature and fantasy-styled drawings, sculptures, and paintings. I'm influenced by anything that I see." Her greatest satisfaction comes "when I finally have a character sketched out, or cleaned up so that it's not all scribbles and ideas anymore. When I'm designing a character, I like knowing that I'm creating a new identity that can be shaped however I want it to be. I can imagine that character's personality, physical appearance, and background story all I want, but to me it's not an actual being until I have finally sketched it out After that, it's always going to exist, whether anyone else has seen it yet or not, it's no longer just an idea in my head." The ABC Players hope to have many more of Jade's ideas representing our shows!



Photo of Jade Morris courtesy of Morristowne Photography

Upcoming Events!!!!



The Best Christmas Pageant Ever

Directed by Jodi MacNeal

By Barbara Robinson

**December 5 & 6 at 7:30 p.m. &
December 7 at 2 p.m**

At Stuart's Opera House



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Auditions for
**The Princess and
The Goblins**
Will be announced soon
Check www.abcpayers.org
For updates on auditions

Directed by Celeste Parsons. Mar 13-16, 2014 — When a peaceful kingdom is menaced by an army of monstrous goblins, a brave and beautiful princess joins forces with a resourceful peasant boy to rescue the noble king and all his people. The lucky pair must battle the evil power of the wicked goblin prince armed only with the gift of rhyme, the miracle of love, and a magical shimmering thread.

