

RTF major wins 14th annual UWO student playwriting contest

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Heyer

Richard Kalinoski, director of the Playwrights Project and Resident Playwright at UW Oshkosh, announced April 25 that Kevin Heyer, a senior and Radio TV Film major, has won the 14th annual student playwriting contest.

Heyer, of Wausau, began writing as a means of entertainment. He discovered screenwriting at 13 and finished his first screenplay at the age of 14. Heyer has since completed eight screenplays, four short film scripts and two television pilots.

In addition to writing, Heyer took one of his short film scripts, "Cinema Verite" (which won a National Broadcasting Society Grand Prize for the Dramatic Script Category) and directed it in 2010, along with his TV pilot, "All Through the Night." This is Kevin's first stage play, and he plans to continue learning the form and to move to Los Angeles to pursue a career in writing.

Heyer's short play, "Whack-a-Mole" was chosen in the 2012 UW Oshkosh contest from among 15 submitted entries. "Whack-a-Mole" will have a rehearsed staged reading in the Experimental Theatre at 7:30 p.m. on Wed., May 2.

Kalinoski said "Whack-a-Mole" demonstrates "an ability to fashion original and sympathetic characters in an unusual environment." The Theatre Arts Board, a student organization, will accept \$1 donations at the door of the theatre for the reading of the play.

Heyer's one-act represents the 20th play read publicly through the Playwrights Project since its inception in 1998.

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