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## USI THEATRE TO OPEN WITH *MISS JULIE*

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The University of Southern Indiana Theatre opens its season Thursday, October 7, with the August Strindberg classic, *Miss Julie*.

Director Elliot Wasserman notes that while *Miss Julie* was written in 1888, it generates discussion on such modern-day topics as date rape and sexual conduct. "*Miss Julie* is a play about desire and its most toxic byproduct, rage," Wasserman notes. "The play explores the relationship between a servant and the daughter of the count he serves, and it raises questions about the nature of potential violence in human sexuality."

USI Theatre veteran Christina Ulrich plays Julie; Kris Villines Hartman, who was Shimma in the spring production of *North Shore Fish*, will be Kristen, and Scott Cummings, a Michigan City resident who transferred this fall to USI, portrays Jean, the servant. Ulrich and Hartman are Evansville residents.

*Miss Julie* will run through October 17, with performances at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, and 2 and 7 p.m. Sundays at USI Theatre, 3001 Igleheart Avenue. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for students and senior citizens (60+). Call the USI Theatre box office, 812/465-1668, for tickets or information.

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