Brooklyn native shines in ECSU theatre production

Rhyan Dulain

WILLIAMSBURG — Rhyan Dulain, an Eastern Connecticut State University senior from Brooklyn, helped create the brand new Fine Arts Theatre with an inaugural performance of “Cervantes’ The Great Pretender.”

“Cervantes’ timeless satire” is the first major production of the Theatre Program to occur in that venue — took place under Eastern’s First Avenue Instructional Center from Nov. 11-13.

Rhyan’s classic play by Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra, a playwright of the Spanish Golden Age, follows the trick of Pedro, a master pretender whose escapades involve him with a slew of characters and careers as he struggles to find his true vocation in life.

“Part of our production in our new Fine Arts Theatre hopes to honor Cervantes’ timeless satirical vision by capturing the zest of his day and age,” said Eden Faith Brodie, director and theatre professor at Eastern. “The costumes evoke the Spanish Golden Age paints of Velasquez and contemporary. The scenic design was inspired by the 21st-century Spanish playwright Cervantes.”

Cervantes lives on in Pedro and we live through the hopes and dreams of both the author and his creations,” continued Cervantes. “All of Pedro’s pretenses in many costumes wearing a variety of clothing and a life and a better world.”

All-East Dulcanians acted in “Pretty Plays: Love of One’s Neighbor,” a short four for Boys, and “Bold for Three,” as part of Short Story 2015 “Pleasure Christina Turco, chassis, and “Whacked.”

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