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Black Swamp Players To Hold Auditions For *The Odd Couple (Female Version)*

(Bowling Green)—The Black Swamp Players will hold auditions for the final production of its fifty-first season, Neil Simon's *The Odd Couple (Female Version)*, during the week of February 25.

Open auditions for the production will be held on the following dates: Monday, February 25 and Tuesday, February 26. Auditions will begin each evening at 7:00 and run to 9:00 PM. Callbacks will be held on Thursday, February 28 beginning at 7:00 PM. All auditions and callbacks will be held at the First United Methodist Church on East Wooster Street in Bowling Green.

The script for *The Odd Couple (Female Version)* calls for a cast of six women and two men. Auditions are open to adults of all ages, races/ethnicities, orientations, sexes, and abilities. Those who want to audition should be prepared to cold read from the script.

First performed in 1985, *The Odd Couple (Female Version)* is a modern riff on Simon's classic comedy from 1965 about the unlikely friendship between a clean freak and a slob. The female version is set in the apartment of slovenly Olive Madison who, at the opening of the play, has invited a group of friends over for a weekly game of Trivial Pursuit. Late to arrive is Florence Unger, who has just been separated from her husband. Fastidious, depressed, and hyper-tense, Florence seems suicidal, but as the action unfolds, Olive becomes the one with murder on her mind when the pair decide to room together and hilarious results ensue.

The production will be directed by Heath A. Diehl.

The Odd Couple (Female Version) will open on Friday, April 26 at 7:30 PM. Additional performance dates include: Saturday, April 27, Friday, May 3, and Saturday, May 4, all at 7:30 PM; and Sunday, April 28 and May 5 at 2:00 PM. All performances will take place at the First United Methodist Church on East Wooster Street in Bowling Green.

Tickets for the production are \$12/adults, \$10/seniors and students, and can be purchased on the organization's website or at the door.

Black Swamp Players is nonprofit corporation that exists to provide opportunities for area residents to experience quality, amateur, live theatre in all its many aspects. Founded in 1968, Black Swamp Players has been providing community theatre to the Bowling Green and

surrounding areas for the past fifty years. Those interested in volunteering for the organization should send an e-mail query to president@blackswampplayers.org.

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