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Duluth **New Dawn Theater to perform Three Musketeers**

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DULUTH — For a community theater, putting on a big-name period piece like "The Three Musketeers" can be a daunting task, but the New Dawn Theater Company has risen to the challenge.

"There are out of the box challenges like costumes and how the language is used," said director Sherry Ingbritsen.

The large size of New Dawn's stage has even made constructing the set a problem. The theater, however, is getting a helping hand from some of Duluth's businesses.

"There's lots of community effort to put the show on," Ingbritsen said.

A local antique store loaned items for the production and eight members of the Duluth Symphony Orchestra will provide the score.

The show will be New Dawn's third since moving to their current location on Main Street.

"[The Three Musketeers] is a show that I've wanted to do for a long time," Ingbritsen said.

Chuck Mason, who plays Captain Treville, said the play has special appeal for him because he grew up watching the television series.

"It's got everything—sword fighting, romance, murder, a love story," Mason said.

Few New Dawn actors had sword-fighting experience prior to this production, but the cast has made remarkable progress. Actor Sean Anderson credited the fight choreographers with their success.

"It's really surprising at how quickly it pulled together. The fights look really smooth," he said.

New Dawn Theater's production of "The Three Musketeers" will run July 16 through August 2.

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