Frostburg State University faculty member Annie Danzi will premiere her documentary, Life’s a Stage,” about the importance of performing arts education, at the Palace Theatre on Main Street in Frostburg on Friday, March 2. The red carpet event will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by the film screening at 7 p.m.

The crew for the film consisted of FSU’s undergraduate students. Danzi, an assistant professor of Mass Communication, created the project to serve as an experiential learning opportunity for them.

The documentary focuses on the extraordinary work of educator Gwen Lehman, who dedicated her all for almost 50 years toward the theatre program that she built from scratch at Stephan Decatur High School in Ocean City, Md., and on the students who have become her legacy. In an era when public high schools suffer from a lack of support for the arts, her dedication and vision are the reasons the program continues to thrive.

Following the 45-minute documentary, Danzi, Lehman and the members of the student crew will answer questions. This event is free and open to the public.

The film will have another screening on Friday, March 9, at the Ocean City Film Festival. For more information, visit https://m.facebook.com/lifesastagedocumentary/ or email amdanzi@frostburg.edu.

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