The Theatre and Musical Theatre programs at Sam Houston State University are geared toward creating top notch theatre professionals. Whether a student is interested in working in the commercial world of acting, directing, design, musical theatre or in educational theatre, the program prepares students for the job market after graduation. Theatre and Musical Theatre is an active, hands on program producing an eight show season as well as experimental theatre, independent student projects, and a summer season. Department productions take place in one of the two theatres located in the University Theatre Center; the 325 seat Erica Starr Theatre and the more intimate Showcase Theatre, a 125 seat house. Theatre and Musical Theatre majors are involved in a field of study which encompasses acting, directing, technical theatre, stage makeup, theatre history, and voice for the actor. In addition, Musical Theatre majors take courses in voice, keyboard, and dance. The Department of Theatre and Musical Theatre offers a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Musical Theatre, as well as a BFA in Theatre with an emphasis in Acting and Directing, Design and Technical Theatre, or Secondary Education.