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Public one-act performance is Tuesday

Ben, a young man in love, has invited his girlfriend to a romantic picnic in the park to pop the question. As soon as Kate arrives, though, his hopes of happily ever after are dashed as anything that could possibly go wrong does.

The park setting accommodates a variety of cast members, from an old couple bickering on a nearby park bench to a quiet girl reading under a tree and a jogger just passing through.

“Imperfect Proposal” by Lisa Parry makes room for 22 Brady High School actors and actresses, including a few who wanted to be on stage but didn’t want to have to memorize lines.

“We had several freshmen and a few others who wanted to be in the play but didn’t want to have to say anything,” said fifth-year director Tonja Shaw. “With this play, it works out that we can have all kinds of people walking through the park.”

Shaw said she and assistant director Jennifer Most chose “Imperfect Proposal” because it offers parts for several girls and it allows for little costuming and scenery.

The majority of the set is built around artificial Christmas trees that set a scene in the park. Shaw said the crew handles seven trees, including a 10-foot tree that must be taken apart and reassembled each time the cast performs.

ONE-ACT CAST

Football players	Cole Viter, Dayne Porter, Cody Most
Lady with stroller	Kaitlyn Trisdale
Reader	Autumn Hild
William	Donnie Trisdale
Ella	Mikaela Eckholt
Clown	Jada Horn
Little girl	Emilee Shaw
Ben	Kaleb Arterburn
Kate	Dakota Terry
Socialite	Lexi Franzen
Jogger	Nate Sitorius
Dog walker	Molly Hannon
Dog	Chris Porter
Protest leader	Valerie Most
Protesters	Alexis Mann, Madison Elliott, Krista Kleinow
Andrew	Zach Mann
Attractive girl	Brittney Christophersen
Homeless lady	Jada Horn
Crew	Marc Kramer-Davis, Jacob Walter
Director	Tonja Shaw
Assistant director	Jennifer Most