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'I Am First A Human Being' Set Feb. 16

357 The Piast Institute and the University of Detroit-Mercy drama department will present a matinee performance of the play "I Am First A Human Being," based on the prison letters of Krystyna Wituska adapted for the stage by Irene Tomaszewski.

The performance will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, February 16, at the Marygrove College Theatre, located in the Liberal Arts Building on the Marygrove campus, 8425 West McNichols just west of UDM.

Admission is free, but tickets are available on a first come-first served

basis. For reservations, call (313) 664-0321.

The play tells the brave and poignant story of a young Polish woman sentenced to death by the Nazis for underground activities during World War II. While she awaits her sentencing and fate she carries on a secret correspondence with a German girl. It is a moving human story of courage and defiance in the face of evil.

The play is produced by Yolanda Fleischer and directed by Courtney Burkett. Krystyna Wituska will be played by Marissa Thorndyke.