

## Amusing Frankenstein

*Frankenstein* usually means fear and terror, but the show my class and I saw on March 25<sup>th</sup> was very amusing. In fact it is not like *Rocky Horror*, but more similar to *Frankenstein Junior*.

The show tells us the story of Victor, a student in medicine who is spending his holidays in Switzerland. During a trip he decides to take shelter in an ancient castle because it is raining impetuously. In the castle, a woman called Frau Blücher and her servant Igor mistakes our Victor for Victor Frankenstein (lived 200 years before) and they propose him to create a monster. The young student, without listening to the warnings that Mary Shelley gives him, accepts and creates a monster using pieces of other people's dead bodies. The monster, unlike what happens in the original novel where he destroys and kills a lot of people, becomes friend of a child and thanks to the child's father, an actor who accepts him in his troupe and thanks to Victor who creates a female monster to keep company to him he can live happily ever after.



I liked this show a lot, and I think that *Frankenstein* is a very important novel. In fact it makes us think about important things like responsibility, diversity of people, biogenetic and so on. As a matter of fact, if Victor were responsible he wouldn't make the monster who, in the true story kills everyone he meets. It teaches us that we must always think before doing anything. The monster also kills because people think he is different and, because of that, they hate him. Even his creator Victor Frankenstein is afraid of him and doesn't trust him. I recommend this show to all the people who want to see an instructive show but also want to amuse themselves.

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## A Titanic Actor

Frank Abagnale, Romeo Montague, Jack Dawson. If you haven't understood yet who we are talking about, we will give you a clue. His name starts with Leonardo and finishes with DiCaprio. He was born in L.A. in 1974. At the tender age of one year old, his parents, George and Irmalin, divorced. When he was three, he joined in a famous TV show and he appeared in a commercial for milk. Although he acted in two horror films on which we draw a veil, he became one of the most appreciated actors of the '90 with a supporting role in *This Boy's Life*. Even if there were important actors, *The Quick and The Dead* came out as a total flop; he got to critics and people's heart with a leading role in William Shakespeare's *Romeo+Juliet*. It is in this movie that you can see the famous scene: an aquarium, yellow fishes, two

masked guys, a party at Capulets Mansion, eyes that meet, love at first sight. Leo will be history after starring as Jack Dawson in *Titanic* with Kate Winslet; how could we forget two young lovers on the bow of the most titanic boat ever and Celine Dion as background music? *Catch Me If You Can* by Spielberg broke through the box office, thanks to the winning combinatoin DiCaprio-Hanks. From 2002 DiCaprio entered into a brotherhood with the director Martin Scorsese because he takes part in his film *Gangs of New York*. They worked together in other four films, included *The Aviator* with whom he won a Golden Globe. He collaborated again with Luhrmann in *The Great Gatsby*, that will come out in May. Will he let us dream another time?

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## April Fool's Day



April Fool's Day is dedicated to jokes between friends. This event is held every year on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

The origin of this day is not wellknown. Someone thinks that it's connected to the spring equinox, others believe that it goes back to before the Gregorian calendar when the New Year's Eve lasted four days and ended just on 1<sup>st</sup> April.

We know that in France they created the tradition of giving an empty package each last day of the year. The joke became known as April Fool's and spread slowly across the world. When the calendar was changed the date remained the same.

Today all media join in April Fool's day: they

always play jokes to those who surf the internet or listen to the radio. Some newspapers also participate in this tradition by writing and telling stories that are not true. I think April Fool's is a nice way to pass a day in happiness with our friends.

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## Obama's Inaugural Speech

A few months have passed since Barack Obama was elected 44<sup>th</sup> president of the United States. On January 21<sup>st</sup> 2013 he delivered his speech in front of 800.000 people, including many stars arrived in Washington from all the states. Obama began his speech talking about the need to rediscover the unity of the country saying: «All men are created by their creator with certain unalienable rights, amongst these are Life, Liberty and pursuit of Happiness». Starting from this value, the president reminded the audience of the battles for freedom and democracy carried out by the patriots in 1776, affirming the importance of keeping these achievements alive in our time. He tal-

ked about rights and tolerance, reforms and laws, war and peace, environment and sustainable energy. The sentence we liked most in the speech of Obama is the one in which the president says: «We are true to our creed when a little girl born into the bleakest poverty knows that she has the same chance to succeed as anybody else, because she is an American, she is free, and she is equal, not just in the eyes of God but also in our own». In Italy we are waiting for the election of the new president, too. Who will be our president? What will his/her first official speech be like? To be continued...

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## Aidons l'environnement

Nous sommes en train d'exploiter tellement la Terre qu'on va l'abîmer! On doit commencer à respecter l'environnement où on vit et on ne doit pas le détruire. Beaucoup de personnes pensent qu'elles ne peuvent rien faire, mais en réalité c'est très important l'aide de tous, même si en de petites choses, pour sauver notre planète. Par exemple vous pourriez éteindre la lumière quand vous sortez d'une pièce, prendre une douche plutôt qu'un bain, couper l'eau quand vous êtes en train de vous savonner ou ne pas utiliser toujours le chauffage mais vous mettre un pull. Et il ne faut pas toujours penser qu'on peut ne pas le faire parce que «beaucoup d'autres le font». Si tout le monde croit respecter l'environnement, la Terre continue à souffrir. En plus, il y a aussi un type de pollution qui ne fait pas mal à la Terre mais aux hommes: c'est la pollution acoustique. Pour éviter ce type de pollution il faut éviter d'utiliser les oreillettes et ne pas écouter la musique à haut volume. On pourrait en outre, quand on est embouteillé dans le trafic, ne pas sonner continuellement le klaxon, mais attendre que la queue écoule. Si nous réussissons à accomplir ces petits gestes nous vivrons dans un monde plus beau.

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