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World-Renowned Neuroscientist Dr. Robert Sapolsky to Speak at Las Positas College on October 12

"Why We Do the Things We Do: Human Behavior at its Best and Worst"

(Livermore, CA) - The community is invited to join world-renowned neuroscientist Dr. Robert Sapolsky on October 12 at 7 p.m. in the Mertes Theater for the Arts, as he explores why we do the things we do.

Based on his highly acclaimed new book BEHAVE: the biology of humans at our best and worst (2017), Dr. Sapolsky will discuss his cutting edge research into the neuroscience of what drives us to be caring, compassionate and altruistic and also intolerant, brutal and violent. Dr. Sapolsky's new book will be on sale at the event and a book signing will follow his lecture.

A fascinating speaker, Sapolsky brings humor and humanity to sometimes sobering subject matter and has lectured widely on topics as diverse as stress and stress-related disease, baboons, the biology of our individuality, the biology of religious belief, the biology of memory, schizophrenia, depression, aggression and Alzheimer's disease.

Dr. Robert Sapolsky is a professor of biology and neurology at Stanford University, and a research associate with the Institute of Primate Research at the National Museum of Kenya. He is an acclaimed science and nature writer. In addition to his new book, he has authored several other books including A Primates Memoir, The Trouble with Testosterone, and Why Zebras Don't Get Ulcers.

He is the recipient of Rockefeller University's Lewis Thomas Prize for Writing about Science, and his research on stress was the feature of an hour-long special that aired on PBS with National Geographic. In addition to his biweekly column for the Wall Street Journal, Mind & Matter, Sapolsky's writing has appeared in publications such as Discover and The New Yorker.

Admission is \$15 for general admission and \$12 for students and seniors. Tickets may be purchased at www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3074128 Depending upon seating availability, tickets may be purchased at the door.

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Las Positas College is located at 3000 Campus Hill Drive in Livermore.

About Las Positas College

Las Positas College currently enrolls 8,000 students and offers curriculum for students seeking transfer to a four-year college or university, career preparation, or basic skills education. The College provides university transfer classes, retraining classes for those in need of employment or career advancement, a first-time educational opportunity for many adults, enrichment classes for those seeking a broader perspective, and career and technical training for those entering the technical and paraprofessional workforce.

Las Positas College is a learning-centered institution focused on excellence and student success. It is fully committed to supporting Tri-Valley residents in their quest for education and advancement. Las Positas College faculty and staff are distinguished by their energy, creativity, and commitment to making a difference in the lives of the students they serve and the future of the Tri-Valley region.

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