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LAS POSITAS COLLEGE ANNOUNCES THE SPRING PERFORMANCE OF "A Night of One Acts" *April 26 - 27 at the Barbara Meters Center for the Performing Arts*

(Livermore, CA) - Las Positas College is pleased to announce "A Night of One Acts," the Theatre 31 drama workshop class' final presentation of individual student comedic and dramatic one act plays.

Taught by dual power team Titian Lish and Peet Cocke, who have been educating LPC theatre students on running a theatre company within a classroom setting, Theatre 31 workshops teach students how to produce, direct, cast, audition, stage manage, budget, act and design lights, costumes, sound, props and sets.

"Getting the chance to work with our peers and see everyone's creativity during this process of putting together this festival has been truly inspiring," said student Patrick Maravilla. "We've all been able to pull great ideas out of each other to create something that I think we can all be proud of."

With plays offering an eclectic variation of comedy and drama, with plenty of room for chaos to ensue, "A Night of One Acts" exposes audiences to the human experiences shared in their relationships. Audiences will find themselves laughing at the hilarity within Christopher Durang's "DMV Tyrant" and touched by the struggles between family bonds and ties in Liz Carroll's "Don't Say a Word. Additional presentations include: "Naked" by Morely Shulman with direction by Maravilla, "Please Have a Seat and Someone Will be with You Shortly" by Garth Wingfield with direction by Christopher Bono, "Death of a Hired Man" based on a Robert Frost poem and written by Jay Reid Gould with direction by Tyler Meadows and "The Hardy Boys and the Mystery of Where Babies Come From" by Durang with direction from Christian Tanton. Tanton will also direct "DMV Tyrant" and Anahi Vega will direct "Don't Say a Word."

"It has been a lot of fun working together with our fellow classmates throughout this process," said Vega. "We have been given opportunities to collaborate as individuals and put on something truly spectacular."

"A Night of One Acts" gives the opportunity for audiences to get a sneak peek inside what the educational, informative and progressive Theatre 31 class entails and what LPC's theatre department has to offer.

"Being able to direct a one-act with this talented group of actors has been an amazing experience," said Bono. "I feel I have learned so much about not only directing, but what it really means to be a theater company."

Cast members include Josh Lemos, Austin Harper, Harold Ng, Kaitlyn Davenport, GenevaMay Colcol, Veronica La, Alynn Lima, Jeff Zavaterro, Alfonso Gonzalez, Arsalan Khan, Jackie Saffold and Zoey Bothwell-Mitlitsky.

Plays will be presented with lighting by Gonzalez and Colcol, audio design by Stafford and Lima, scenic design by Lemos, Harper, Lima and Alynn Props and costumes by Colcol, Ng and Davenport.

"Watching my own vision be realized on the Las Positas College stage has been an absolute delight," said Tanton. "I am so inspired by the hard work of my peers and I can't wait for everyone to share what they have created."

The performances premiere at the Las Positas College Barbra F. Mertes Center for the Performing Arts Black Box Theater, 3000 Campus Hill Drive in Livermore on April 26 at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. with an encore performance April 27 at 7 p.m. Admission is free, but donations will be accepted. For additional information, visit www.laspositascollege.edu/thea or contact tlsh@laspositascollege.edu.

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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