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## MOORPARK COLLEGE TO CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS AND THE ARTS During its First Annual "Holiday Spectacular"

Moorpark, CA – Moorpark College Performing Arts is pleased to announce its first annual "Holiday Spectacular," presenting a holiday celebration that features the combined efforts of the College's Theatre Arts, Music, and Dance programs. This production will feature the talents of more than 50 student actors, singers, musicians, and dancers—it is sure to be one of the highlights of this holiday season. Proceeds from the production will benefit the Performing Arts Center and its educational programs.

Moorpark College's first annual Holiday Spectacular will feature bright lights, colorful costumes, and holiday entertainment with a side of musical comedy thrown in as well. This new event is sure to become a regular part of the community's holiday celebrations. Music, Dance, and Theatre Arts students will all perform classic material that embraces a range of holiday traditions, including everything from full choral presentations to excerpts from *A Christmas Carol*.

MOORPARK COLLEGE, one of three colleges in the Ventura County Community College District, was founded in 1967. It is set on 150 beautiful acres, nestled in the foothills on the southeastern flank of Ventura County, about 40 miles from UCLA, and approximately 75 miles from UC Santa Barbara. It is also a short drive from CSU Northridge, CSU Channel Islands, and California Lutheran University. Moorpark College was recognized in the Huffington Post in March of 2015 as the fourth-best community college in the nation. It has an excellent reputation for university transfer preparation, and its signature career/technical programs include nursing, radiation technology, biotechnology, and exotic animal training, which incorporates the world-renowned America's Teaching Zoo. The college also offers a dynamic range of classes and programs in the visual and performing arts, and its pristine athletic fields and mild climate provide an excellent home for student athletes.



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"This variety-style show is sure to make you laugh, cry, and start counting down to the holidays!" shares Dr. Jennifer Kalfsbeek-Goetz, Dean of Arts, Media, and Communications Studies at Moorpark College. "And for a special treat, we'd love to have the community join us for our VIP Reception offered by the Moorpark College Foundation at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, just prior to that evening's 8:00 p.m. performance. Our entire Arts Division is so excited for this new event, working on a range of special treats including a live DJ in front of the theatre, free student-made holiday decorations, and a series of holiday-themed short films in the lobby produced by our Film and Television students, among many other surprises. We can't think of a better way of thanking our community than by inviting your friends and families to welcome the holidays on our beautiful campus!"

The Moorpark College Holiday Spectacular" will run Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup>at 8:00 p.m. with two matinee performances on Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are now on sale for both the "Holiday Spectacular" and the Moorpark College Foundation's VIP Reception and may be purchased through the Moorpark College Performing Arts Center Box Office at (805) 378-1485 or online at <a href="www.moorparkcollege.edu/pac.">www.moorparkcollege.edu/pac.</a> Purchase tickets online to save 20%. Moorpark College is located at 7075 Campus Road in Moorpark, 93021.

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