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MOORPARK COLLEGE THEATRE ARTS ANNOUNCES AUDITIONS for Spring 2019 Production of SPAMALOT

Moorpark, CA – Moorpark College Theatre Arts is pleased to announce auditions for its upcoming Spring 2019 production of *SPAMALOT*; a production based on the uproarious Monty Python comedy *Monty Python and the Holy Grail*. Auditions will be held Dec. 17, 18 and 19 from 3:30 - 6 p.m. in room PA-100 of the Performing Arts Center on the Moorpark College campus. Interested parties should bring 32 bars of sheet music, preferably from musical theater, and wear comfortable clothing for a dance audition. An accompanist will be present for the audition.

The Tony® Award Winning Best Musical, *SPAMALOT* retells the legend of King Arthur and his Knights of the Round Table, featuring a bevy of showgirls, not to mention cows, killer rabbits and “French people.” This performance is sure to have audiences laughing and marveling at death-defying dance and musical numbers. The 2005 Broadway production won three Tony® Awards—including Best Musical—

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and was followed by two successful West End runs.

“This will easily be the biggest production we have brought to our main stage in the last three years,” shares John Loprieno, the play’s director and chair of the Fine and Performing Arts Department. “My phone has been ringing off the hook since we announced the audition and I’ve had students practicing their various British accents since Halloween!” Anyone hoping to join the cast must also enroll in a three-unit *Theatre Production: Performance class at Moorpark College*. “With the insane comedy antics of *Monty Python’s Holy Grail* and 20 production numbers that feature show tune parodies, tap dancing, and *Lady of the Lakerettes*, how can you not have the thrill of a lifetime?” says Loprieno. “So, grab a shrubbery and your Finnish Slapping Fish and come out to audition!”

SPAMALOT will run March 7 – 24 with evening performances from Thursday to Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. in the studio theatre at Moorpark College. Tickets go on sale Jan. 15 and may be purchased through the Moorpark College Performing Arts Center Box Office at (805) 378-1485 or online at www.moorparkcollege.edu/pac. For additional information regarding *SPAMALOT* or the Moorpark College Theatre Arts Department, please contact Director John Loprieno at (805) 378-1469 or jloprieno@vcccd.edu. Moorpark College is located at 7075 Campus Road Moorpark, California 93021.

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