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Post University Brings “Horrors” to Waterbury

Post Theatrical Players to present its rendition of dark comedy “Little Shop of Horrors”

WATERBURY, Conn. (April 4, 2011) – Post University is now accepting reservations from the public for the Post Theatrical Players’ presentation of “Little Shop of Horrors,” April 15-17. Composed by Alan Menken and written by Howard Ashman, the dark yet playful production has been performed on Broadway and around the world, and was adapted for the big screen in 1986.

The play will include two casts. Main Cast A will perform for the first two showings and the last showing. This cast consists of Francis Arevalo as Seymour, Samantha Hough as Audrey, and Jenny Felix, Alexandria Hutchinson, and Daphney Vasquez as the Ronnettes. Main Cast B will perform at the other two shows. This cast features Toby Henst as Seymour, Alicia Mala as Audrey, and Pam Ifill, Gabrielle Previlon, Jessica Cruz, and Micai Tucker as the Ronnettes.

The rest of the cast includes Kelly Marchand as Mr. Mushnick, Ray DelValle as Orin Scrivello DDS, Patrick Hearn as Audrey II, Marnise Tucker, Qi Wang, Nicole Chen, and Tian Jin.

Show times are Friday, April 15 at 8 p.m., Saturday, April 16, at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., and Sunday at 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. Tickets are available to the public at no charge, but must be reserved in advance.

“Little Shop of Horrors” begins when Seymour, who works at a struggling florist shop, discovers a mysterious Venus Flytrap plant after a total eclipse. The strange plant soon becomes a great attraction and Seymour a local celebrity. An unlikely romance develops between the bashful Seymour and his chatty co-worker Audrey as the two enjoy success and prosperity at the once failing shop. The fame is short-lived, however, when Seymour realizes the plant is turning into a human blood-eating savage.

Under the direction of Bob Tansley, Post University’s Director of Security, the Post University Theatrical Players continue to build a reputation for performing quality productions complete with sophisticated sets.

“We’ve brought a rather unique element to the show by making the orchestra part of the scenery, with a Skid Row Ally elevated about 2 feet off the ground,” Tansley said. “My musical director, Keith Wilson, has assembled a first-rate band.”

The University makes a special effort to include a diverse group of students, including members of its international student population, in its productions, offering them a unique opportunity to get more involved in on-campus activities, and improve their English and public speaking skills at the same time.

"How pleasantly surprised I was by [the students'] vocals and stage presences," said Tansley. "They are a talented group of friends having a good time, and it shows on stage."

To reserve seats, please email btansley@post.edu, or call 203.228.1930.

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