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Cabrillo College's 2011 graduates enter Carl Connelly Stadium for the ceremony.

Cabrillo Stage Celebratory 30th Season Begins June 24



"The Full Monty" cast.

Cabrillo Stage, the professional musical theatre company at Cabrillo College, begins its 30th anniversary season with the hilarious comedy *The Full Monty* performing in the Cabrillo Crocker Theater June 24 - July 17.

The two-person song-cycle *The Last Five Years* performs in the intimate Cabrillo Black Box Theater July 8 - August 14.

Hairspray lights up the Crocker Theater, July 22 - August 14 to round out the summer.

The Christmas season will mark the return of everyone's favorite boy-band "The Plaids" in *Plaid Tidings*, a brand new show, playing December 16 - 30.

Thirty years of entertaining Santa Cruz County audiences has left a sparkling trail of history at Cabrillo Stage. In celebration of that legacy, this 30th Anniversary Season is bringing back several favorite performers and directors from its illustrious past.

Lile Cruse, beloved founding Producing Artistic Director of the company, will be back in the orchestra pit music directing *Hairspray*, which will be directed by another honored Cabrillo Stage personage, Broadway veteran Janie Scott.

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CABRILLO GRADUATES 990 STUDENTS

Sixty-one Percent of Class of 2011 Finish With Honors

Cabrillo College celebrated its largest graduating class in the past four years during a formal commencement ceremony to confer a combined total of 990 A.A. degrees, A.S. degrees, certificates of achievement, and skills certificates, on Friday, June 3, 2011 at the Carl Connelly Stadium,

Cabrillo College, 6500 Soquel Drive, Aptos.

More than half of the Cabrillo College Class of 2011 (61%) graduated with high honors or honors, and 82 members of the graduating class are receiving their awards with a perfect grade point average (GPA) of 4.0.

The Cabrillo College Class of 2011 is comprised of graduates ranging in age from 18 to 84 years, with an average age of 29. Sixty-three percent are females and 36% are males. This year, 241 students graduated with high honors (3.75-3.99 GPA), 280 with honors (3.5-3.74 GPA) and 654 with hon-

orable mentions (3.0-3.49 GPA). Thirty-one graduates are members of the Alpha Gamma Sigma (AGS) Honor Society and graduated with a GPA of 3.0 or higher, in addition to completing community service and other AGS requirements.

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Six students graduated as part of the Honors Transfer Program, having completed all of the courses required to transfer, including at least 15 units of honors coursework, while also maintaining a 3.5 or higher GPA. These students have been accepted and plan to transfer in to four-year universities including UC Berkeley, UC Santa Cruz, UCLA, and the University of Southern California, among others.

Following the procession, Cabrillo College Vice President of Student Services Dennis Bailey-Fougner welcomed participants and guests. Cabrillo College President and Superintendent Dr. Brian King and Cabrillo Faculty Senate President Steve Hodges gave

their congratulatory remarks to the Cabrillo College Class of 2011.

Vice President of Instruction Dr. Renée M. Kilmer presented the class of 2011, and highlighting compelling stories of graduates in the 2011 class who have overcome adversity in achieving their degrees.

Cabrillo College Governing Board Chair Katy Stonebloom participated in the conferring of degrees. Dr. Francisco Iniguez, Cabrillo College Spanish Instructor, and Sesario Escoto, Dean of Student Services, read the graduates' names.

A reception for graduates and guests was held in the pavilion on the stadium field, immediately following the ceremony. ■



Jack Scainetti sits with fellow Class of 2011 graduates. Jack is Cabrillo's oldest graduate, receiving his Associate's Degree at age 84.

"Cabrillo Stage" from pg 1

Together, Cruse and Scott brought to life some of Stage's most memorable shows, including *Honk!*, *Peter Pan*, *Annie Get Your Gun* and *Some Like It Hot*. Dustin Leonard, who directed the sell-out production of *West Side Story* in 2003, returns to direct *The Full Monty*. Cabrillo Stage also welcomes Mollye Maxner of North Carolina to the company, directing *The Last Five Years*.

Among the season's returning favorites is Bay Area equity actor Tony Panighetti, playing the drag role of "Edna" in *Hairspray*. Panighetti gave striking performances as the lead in *Scrooge* this past Christmas, and as Jerry in *Some Like It Hot* (2002). Audience favorites Andrew Ceglie and Ariel Buck return to star in *The Last Five Years*; and the original cast of 2008's smash hit *Forever Plaid* reunite to perform *Plaid Tidings* at Christmas. The *Full Monty* will introduce many new faces at Stage including Equity Actors Kevin High and Dan Housek.

Cabrillo Stage events include post-show discussions with cast and crew, a retrospective lobby display in the Crocker Theater, and a special reunion of the Gypsy Robe winners. The original Robe features memorabilia from 30 shows spanning 1976-2006, and will be on display in the Crocker Theater lobby. The current Robe has nine shows represented on it and is awarded on opening night of each show to a unique and hardworking member of the chorus.

On opening night, June 24, the Gypsy winners since 1976 will gather to be

acknowledged at the performance and the season party.

Nominated for nine Tony Awards, *The Full Monty* is a hilarious comedy about six unemployed steelworkers in Buffalo, New York. Low on both cash and prospects, the men decide to present a strip act at a local club after seeing their wives' enthusiasm for a touring company of Chippendales. As they prepare for the show, and work through their fears, self-consciousness and anxieties, they overcome individual inner demons and find strength in their camaraderie. You won't want to miss this upbeat musical! Show runs June 24 - July 17. Intended for mature audiences only.

The Last Five Years, a one-act song-cycle by Tony Award winning composer Jason Robert Brown, ingeniously explores a five-year relationship between Jamie, a rising novelist, and Cathy, a struggling actress, in a fresh and contemporary way. While Cathy's story starts at the end of their relationship, Jamie's begins on the day they met. Funny and touching, uplifting and tragic, the show captures the essence of modern romance with its universal and heartfelt moments. Starring Andrew Ceglie and Ariel Buck. Show runs July 8 - August 14. Intended for mature audiences only.

Winner of eight Tony Awards including Best Musical, *Hairspray* is a splashy musical that's piled bouffant-high with laughter and sprayed with a sheen of romance. It's 1962 and pleasantly plump Baltimore teen Tracy Turnblad has only one dream - to dance on television's popular *Corny Collins Show*. When her dream comes true, Tracy is transformed overnight

from outsider to teen celebrity. Can a larger-than-life adolescent manage to vanquish the program's reigning princess, integrate the television show, and find true love (singing and dancing all the while, of course!) without musing her hair? Show runs July 22 - August 14. ■

Cabrillo Stage offers subscription packages, discounted preview performances, individual and group ticket rates, and a special children's presentation of *Hairspray*.

Cabrillo Stage 30th Anniversary summer season runs June 24 - August 14.

The Full Monty: Thursday - Saturday evenings at 7:30 p.m., weekend matinees at 2 p.m. • **The Last Five Years:** Thursday - Saturday evenings at 8 p.m., Sunday matinees at 3 p.m. • **Hairspray:** Thursday - Saturday evenings at 7:30 p.m., weekend matinees at 2 p.m.

Cabrillo Crocker Theater, 6500 Soquel Drive, Aptos, CA.

Tickets: 831-479-6154 or online at www.cabrillostage.com — Information: email to: info@cabrillostage.com.

Cover Picture (From left): Darin Daily, Dan Housek, Jarrod Washington, Kyle Payne, Kevin High and Andrew Willis-Woodward dare to bare in the musical comedy hit "The Full Monty," playing June 24 - July 17 at Cabrillo Stage.

Cabrillo Stage is a non-profit, non-union professional summer stock musical theatre company at Cabrillo College, dedicated to presenting full-scale Broadway musicals to the greater Monterey Bay Area. Producing Artistic Director, Jon Nordgren.