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Illinois Wesleyan McPherson Theatre Presents The Rocky Horror Show

BLOOMINGTON, Ill.—Opening this year's mainstage season at Illinois Wesleyan University, *The Rocky Horror Show* promises to be a most delightfully shocking experience. Written by Richard O'Brien in 1973, the show quickly gained a cult following that continues to make the film version one of the longest running movies of all time.

The show will be performed Oct. 5 -9 at 8 p.m. and a matinee Sunday, Oct. 10 at 2 p.m. Also, IWU will present two unusual late night performances on Friday and Saturday night at 10:30 p.m. Tickets are \$8.00 for Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and the Sunday matinee and \$10.00 for Friday and Saturday performances. Tickets are \$1.00 for students with a valid I.D.

In the musical, Brad and Janet, two innocent lovers, encounter Dr. Frank-n-Furter, a transvestite living in a secluded mansion. Alternately terrorized and seduced by his legion of followers (including a hunchback, a rock star, and a man crafted from spare pieces), Brad and Janet begin to discover parts of themselves they never knew they possessed.

Replicating the interactive aspect of the midnight showings so closely associated with the film, there will be audience participation at special moments during the show. Clearly, *The Rocky Horror Show* will be an unforgettable experience.

Cast Members: Zach Zube (Brad Majors), Janie Wallace (Janet Weiss), Vaughn Irving (Dr. Frank-n-Furter), Jonathan Cable (Rocky Horror), Cyril Watson (Riff-Raff), Nicky Schuenke (Magenta), Carol Rose (Columbia), Don Denton (Eddie, Dr. Everett V. 'Von' Scott), Dr. John Ficca (The Narrator), Torri J.Newman (Usherette), Mike Black, Brian DeCaluwe, Alex Goldberg, John Taflan, Ryan Naimy, Ali Carney, Lisa Karlin, Kelly Klein, Torri J. Newman, and Elizabeth H. Williams (Ensemble).

Production Design Team: Tom Ossowski (Director), Jean Kerr (Choreographer), Curtis Trout (Scenic Designer), Jac Jemc and Kristen Meyer (Assistant Scenic Designers), Marcia McDonald (Costume Designer), Kelly Britt and Megan Henderson (Assistant Costume Designers), Eric Stehl (Lighting Designer), Nolan Kennedy (Assistant Lighting Designer), Brianna North (Properties Designer), Charles Haughland (Sound Designer), Peter Gray (Videographer), Taylor Entwistle (Hair and Makeup Designer).

Production Team: Michelle Megan (Stage Manager), Armie Thompson (Technical Director), Brian Kowalski (Assistant Technical Director), Brynn Weinstein and Lindsay Vrab (Assistant Stage Mangers), Sarah Ziebart (Wardrobe Head), Sara Gorsky (Master Electrician), Rob Carroll (Master Carpenter), Jessica Pink (Charge Artist), Torri J. Newman (Scenic Painter).

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