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"The Postman" Delivers Family Fun May 4 at Cal Poly

SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIFORNIA - Solo performance artist Robert Post creates vignettes that are funny, touching, and astounding. Cal Poly Arts presents "Robert Post in...The POSTman Delivers" May 4 at the Christopher Cohan Center.

While the advertised 3 p.m. matinee is sold out, tickets remain for a specially-added 6 p.m. Sunday show.

Charismatic actor? Comedian? Clown? The Milwaukee Journal defines Post as "World class...a brilliant physical comedian, an intriguing writer, and an inventive theatrical mind."

Two major influences sparked Post's childhood desire to go into show business: the sight of his grandmother spontaneously dancing and singing at any family occasion (including funerals) and the classic vaudeville, juggling, and specialty acts featured on "The Ed Sullivan Show."

When Post was at a loss for a major as a freshman at Ohio State University, he signed up for classes in Absurdist Literature because he liked the sound of "absurd."
In 1978, in a quest to blend his love of character work with the techniques of the movement arts, Post took a workshop with visionary theatre artist Tony Montanaro. This began the foundation of Post's unique creative style and his artistic collaboration with Montanaro.

Over the past twenty-seven years, Post has performed on street corners, at dinner theaters, prisons, factories, schools, in television commercials, homeless shelters, festivals, river boats, and with symphony orchestras.

He has created over thirty works since 1973, for which he has received numerous awards and fellowships. Post has toured throughout the U.S., Canada, Mexico, and Japan. His work was featured in the award-winning PBS special, "Robert Post - In Performance" and regionally, Post performs in a variety of PBS educational programs for high school students.

Tickets for the 6 p.m. performance are $15, with student/child discounts available, and may be purchased at the Performing Arts Ticket Office, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays. To order by phone, call 805/756-2787; to order by fax: 805/756-6088.

This presentation features on-stage seating to enhance theatrical intimacy. Seating is general admission.

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