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## Spend One Enchanted Evening When "South Pacific" Sails Into SLO

SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIFORNIA – Rodgers & Hammerstein's SOUTH PACIFIC is one of Broadway's most enduring musical theatre classics.

On Wednesday, January 25, 2012 at 7:30 p.m., Cal Poly Arts presents an acclaimed national touring engagement of the lush, musically-rich Rodgers & Hammerstein's SOUTH PACIFIC at the Performing Arts Center's Cohan Center.

"Gorgeous! South Pacific doesn't just float, it soars!" (USA Today)

This breathtaking new production of SOUTH PACIFIC is based on the 2008 Tony Award-winning Lincoln Center Theater production, directed by Bartlett Sher. Based on James Michener's Pulitzer Prize-winning book, "Tales of the South Pacific," SOUTH PACIFIC has music by Richard Rodgers, lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II, and a book by Oscar Hammerstein II and Joshua Logan.

Set on a tropical island during World War II, the musical tells the sweeping romantic story of two couples – U.S. Navy nurse Nellie Forbush and French plantation owner Emile de Becque, and Navy Airman Joe Cable and a young local native girl Liat – and how their happiness is threatened by the realities of war and by their own prejudices.

Considered by many the finest musical ever written, the score's songs include such favorites as "Some Enchanted Evening," "I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Outta My Hair," "Younger Than Springtime," "Bali Ha'i," "There is Nothin' Like a Dame," "This Nearly Was Mine," and "A Wonderful Guy."

Note: Tobacco use on stage.

Patrons are invited to attend a free pre-concert lecture presented by Music Dept. Faculty Member Jacqueline Kreitzer at 6:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center's Pavilion.

Student and adult tickets for the performance range from \$34 to \$68 and may be purchased at the Performing Arts Center Ticket Office, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays.

To order by phone, call 805/756-2787; to order by fax: 805/756-6088.

24-hour on-line ordering is available at [www.calpolyarts.org](http://www.calpolyarts.org).

10% discount offered to groups of 10 or more. (Not applicable to student rates)

SPECIAL OFFER: Add February 18's YOUNG FRANKENSTEIN tickets to your SOUTH PACIFIC order and get 10% off all YOUNG FRANKENSTEIN seats.

Sponsored by Clifford Chapman & Gene Shidler, Patricia McNamara in loving memory of Frances McNamara, Joan Sargen, the Foundation for the Performing Arts Center in honor of Legacy Society Members, and KSBY TV.

Additional support provided by the City of San Luis Obispo.

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