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Hollywood Wit & Wisdom in a Chat with Rex Reed

San Luis Obispo, California – On Sunday, March 11, 2012 at 3 p.m. in the Alex & Faye Spanos Theatre, Cal Poly Arts presents the colorful and often controversial Hollywood insider, REX REED, in an afternoon engagement of Tinseltown backstory and witty tales about glamorous, powerful celebrities.

Rex Reed is an acclaimed writer and critic whose film reviews appear every week in the New York Observer. He was an arts critic for the New York Daily News and the film critic for the New York Post, and he is the only film critic to ever have a movie review – of the Oscar-winning anti-Vietnam film, *Hearts and Minds* – read aloud in both houses of Congress, thus becoming a permanent part of the Congressional Record.

He is a member of the New York Film Critics Circle and the National Society of Film Critics, and his articles and essays on the arts have appeared in almost every national magazine and newspaper in London and the United States. For five years, he starred in the nationally syndicated television show, "At the Movies."

As an actor, Reed appeared in the films *Myra Breckinridge*, *Inchon!*, *Superman*, and the anti-war film, *The Rehearsal*. He's written eight books about the movies and his first novel, "Personal Effects," sold 75,000 copies in its first printing.

In 1993, he was inducted, along with James Carville and legendary Supreme Court Judge John Minor Wisdom, into the Louisiana Hall of Fame in his native state.

Student and adult tickets for the performance are \$26 & \$32 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.

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