RMC OPENS NEW SEASON WITH “WONDER OF THE WORLD”
ADULT COMEDY PROVIDES HILARIOUS MOMENTS

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BILLINGS – Rocky Mountain College opens its new theatre season with a two-act adult comedy that provides hilarity and revelation. Written by American playwright David Lindsey-Abaire, “Wonder of the World” was first performed Off Broadway with Sarah Jessica Parker in the starring role of a woman, Cass Harris, who leaves her marriage to discover herself.

“This is quirky, wicked and surrealism at its best and is guaranteed to make you ache with laughter,” promised Gerry Roe, RMC professor of theatre arts.

Why she leaves her husband is one surprise. Who she meets along the way is a series of daffy and bizarre surprises. There is an acquaintance made on the bus – an alcoholic woman who has decided to end her life in a barrel ride over Niagra Falls; two edgy detectives hired to track down Cass by her husband; and a sightseeing captain who soon becomes her new lover. Other characters zoom in and out of the play with zany escapades.

“If you don't get lost, there's a chance you may never be found.” was a saying my mother had on a sampler in her living room. I saw it daily as I grew up but I never made an inner connection with it. It was not until I first saw “Wonder of the World,” that I first discovered the true meaning of those words. This absolutely zany play, at its core, is a play about finding one’s true self. Concealed beneath this crazy story with daffy characters floating in barrels of laughter over Niagra Falls, we find a hidden psychic pain that lurks in all of us -- a need to find home,” said Roe.
“Wonder of the World” is an adult comedy with tickets $10 for adults and $8 for students and seniors. The play will be presented at 8 p.m. on Nov. 5, 6, 11, 12 and 13, 2010 at Billings Studio Theatre.

The list of students involved in “Wonder of the World” includes: Cathy Daem, Billings, Mont.; Cody Halverson- Roundup, Mont.; Holeigh Shafer, Puyallup, Wash.; Delaney Hardy, Red Lodge, Mont.; Thomas Bruner, Rygate,, Mont.; Aaron Croteau, Williston, N. Dak.; Shane McClure, Absarokee, Mont.; Kiffen Irwin, Rifle, Colo.; Laura Barsotti, Phillipsburg, Mont.; Jeff Kuykendall, Missoula, Mont.; Kaitlyn Welch - Butte, Mont.; Danny Salveson, Laurel, Mont.; Allanda Lattin, Livingston, Mont.; and Jennifer Rassley, Belgrade, Mont.

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