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Everyone’s favorite spooky family — The Addams Family — is coming to the Armstrong Campus this Halloween

October 8, 2019

Georgia Southern University’s Armstrong Campus student-theatre group, The Masquers, will present “The Addams Family,” a new musical based on the book written by Marshall Brickman and Rick Elice and characters created by Charles Addams. The show features music and lyrics by Andrew Lipp and will run Oct. 31 through Nov. 2 at 7:30 p.m., Nov. 3 at 3 p.m. and Nov. 7 and 8 at 7:30 p.m. at Jenkins Hall Mainstage Theatre.

“The Addams Family” is a comical feast that embraces the wackiness in every family. The musical features an original story, and it’s every father’s nightmare: Wednesday Addams, the ultimate princess of darkness, has grown up and fallen in love. And if that wasn’t upsetting enough, Wednesday confides in her father and begs him not to tell her mother. Now, Gomez Addams must do something he’s never done before—keep a secret from his wife, Morticia. Everything will change for the whole family on the fateful night they host a dinner for Wednesday’s “normal” boyfriend and his parents.
“The Addams Family showcases the iconic, eerie characters you know and love, while adding a new (yet still ghastly) spin on previous incarnations with singing, dancing and a fresh storyline,” said Pam Sears, MFA, theatre professor and director of the show. “The musical is unconventional fun for your whole family.”

General admission tickets are $15 and discounts are available for military, seniors and students. Georgia Southern students, faculty and staff are free with their EagleID. Tickets can be purchased by calling 912-344-2801, visiting the box office website georgiasouthern.edu/armstrongtickets or by visiting the Fine Arts Box Office, located in Fine Arts Hall and open weekdays, noon to 3 p.m.

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Georgia Southern community lends hand during day of service in Savannah, Hinesville

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On Oct. 5, 171 students, faculty, staff and alumni of Georgia Southern University gathered for a day of volunteering in the Savannah and Hinesville communities during Treasure Savannah, an annual day of service sponsored by the Office of Leadership and Community Engagement.

For Fall 2019, each volunteer project corresponded with one of the United Nations 17 Sustainable Development Goals, which include no poverty, zero hunger, and sustainable cities and communities, among others.

“Treasure Savannah is a great way for students, faculty, staff and alumni to give back to the Savannah and Hinesville communities,” said Ben Phillips, coordinator of leadership development on the Armstrong Campus. “Treasure Savannah participants are able to get a small glimpse into the community engagement efforts that take place at Georgia Southern year-round. The Office of Leadership and Community Engagement is proud to continue the tradition of leadership and service at Georgia Southern University.”

Sophomore Jillian Scelsi, who volunteered at Union Mission in Savannah, helped with yard work so residents could enjoy an outdoor space. She said the volunteer work was a unique experience.

“My favorite part about Treasure Savannah was getting to go out into the community and experience something we might not get to do on a regular basis,” she said. “Union Mission provides a place where men
who are homeless are able to come for the night and have a place to rest their heads. By volunteering just a few hours, we as a team were able to help make a small difference in the lives of the workers and residents of Union Mission.”

Savannah Old Town Trolley provided transportation to the Savannah sites, which included Keep Savannah Beautiful, Salvation Army, Hoofs4Healing and Habitat for Humanity. The Hinesville volunteer sites were Liberty Humane Shelter, Keeping Liberty Beautiful, Hinesville Downtown Development Authority, Liberty County Manna House and the Liberty County YMCA.

“I think it is crucial for us to give back to the community that gives us so much,” sophomore Rachel Vaughn said. “I think it is important to volunteer because it allows us to be a part of something that is bigger than ourselves.”

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