



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**A vampire rabbit is on the loose in the FAC's family theatre production of *Bunnicula***

*Colorado Springs (September 22, 2017)* — The Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College Theatre Company is excited to present the regional premiere of *Bunnicula* directed by multi Henry Award-winning Colorado legend Billie McBride Oct 13-Nov 12. Adapted for the stage by Jon Klein, from the book by James and Deborah Howe, this entertaining musical is:

*"A fanciful, non-scary Halloween treat for the kid inside all of us." –Talkin' Broadway*

A dancing cat, a howling dog, and a vampire bunny. The perfect pet combination for any family. It's a dark and stormy night and Chester (the family cat) and Harold (the family dog) sit waiting for their owners to return home from the movies. Chester and Harold are more than just pets, they're good friends too. When the Monroes finally get home, they come bearing a surprise: they've found a bunny in the movie theater. But this is no ordinary rabbit ... this is the extraordinary *Bunnicula*. When the family's produce starts losing its juice, Chester thinks he knows what's causing the fantastic phenomenon. *Bunnicula* is a vampire! Or maybe Chester's imagination is getting the better of him. Singing and dancing their way through this hilarious mystery, the furry friends find room in their hearts, and in their home, for one very unique bunny.

*"Readers of all ages can rejoice. A clever, careful stage rendering of Deborah and James Howe's much-beloved classic." –Seattle Times*

The cast includes Jack English\*, Rachel Daguman\*, Nate Ferrick, Olivia English\*, Will Edelson\*, Olivia Ellenwood\*, and Parker Fowler. Costumes designed by Aaron Graves and puppets designed by Sarah Beth Parks.

\*FAC Youth Repertory student

***Bunnicula***

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**When:** Oct. 13-Nov 12; Fri | 6 p.m.; Sat, Sun Matinées | 1 p.m.

**Where:** Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College, 30 W. Dale St.

**Tickets:** \$20 (\$18 FAC Members) \$10 kids 12 and under (this production is recommended for ages 5 and up)

**Something else:** Delight your young emerging artist in a magical experience they won't soon forget. *Bunnicula* Day Camps offer kids 6-13 a fun, educational experience featuring puppet making and theatre games! Offered before each Saturday performance in the run, cost is \$20 per child. Performance tickets to *Bunnicula* are additional.

**More:** Meet-and-greet and photo opportunities with the cast are available following every performance. The cast will also sign copies of *Bunnicula* books – on sale before and after performances.

**Even more:** Theatre patrons receive free admission the FAC Museum on the day of their ticketed performance.

**Even more:** October is Arts Month! Each October, Colorado's Pikes Peak region celebrates Arts Month to elevate the visibility and value of arts and culture in our community. The goal is to engage the community and encourage every individual to have at least one new cultural experience with friends and family this October. Check-out a full listing of FAC Arts Month events at <https://www.csfineartscenter.org/arts-month/>

**Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College**

The story of the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College (FAC) begins with the founding of the Broadmoor Art Academy by Julie and Spencer Penrose in 1919. During the Great Depression, three dedicated philanthropists – Julie Penrose, Alice Bemis Taylor, and Elizabeth Sage Hare – envisioned expanding the Broadmoor Art Academy into an entire arts district under one roof. The FAC changed its name, built a grand building, and opened as the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center in 1936. In August 2016, the FAC announced an historic alliance with Colorado College and on July 1, 2017, became the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College. The FAC is deeply rooted in the legacy of its founders, who possessed bold visions, a deep passion for the arts, and dedication to the Colorado Springs community. The FAC honors this legacy and spirit today by providing innovative, educational, and multidisciplinary arts experiences designed to elevate the individual spirit and inspire community vitality, building on its history as a unique cultural pillar of the Pikes Peak region. For more information, visit [www.coloradocollege.edu/fac](http://www.coloradocollege.edu/fac)

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