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Coronado School of the Arts presents *Zombie Prom* *Just in Time for Halloween*

October, 2009, Coronado – Zombies have feelings too. Find out why at Coronado School of the Arts' (CoSA) production of *Zombie Prom*, October 16, 17, 22, and 23 at 7 pm and October 18 at 2 pm, at Coronado High Performing Arts Center, 650 D Avenue, Coronado. Over 30 talented performers from around the county take to the stage in this nonsensical, fun-for-all musical. It's a perfect segue into fall when pumpkins, ghosts, and zombies make an annual appearance.

Zombie Prom presents a new twist on teen romance during the atomic fifties. When good girl Toffee breaks up with bad boy Jonny, he throws himself into a nearby nuclear reactor and returns a zombie – just in time for prom. Altered, but still in love, Jonny hopes to win back the girl of his dreams. *Zombie Prom* spoofs familiar 50s musicals with similar themes and entertains with toe-tapping music and rousing dance numbers along the way.

The cast members of *Zombie Prom* come from all over San Diego to attend Coronado School of the Arts, which offers in-depth, conservatory style training in the performing and visual arts. These actors take theatre seriously. Despite their young years, the cast of *Zombie Prom* are seasoned actors. Hannah Kornfeld (Coco) appeared as Annie in Starlight Theatre's production of *Annie* this summer. Michael Silberblatt (Eddie) appeared as Romeo in *Romeo and Juliet* at the Old Globe Student Conservatory; he was a finalist for the 2008 English Speaking Union Shakespeare competition and placed as first runner up in 2009; and at the 2008 Grossmont Dramafest, Michael earned first place for best monologue. Elisha Moore's (Ginger) amazing vocals earned her first place in Project Center Stage – a teen musical theatre competition... the list goes on. Many are familiar faces from the community theater scene around San Diego and many will compete and win spots in some of the most prestigious university performing arts programs in the country. As with every CoSA production, equally expert students trained in technical theatre run the lighting, sound, set changes, and other behind-the-scenes responsibilities that make the magic of a theatrical experience possible. *Zombie Prom* opens the CoSA performance season, which includes instrumental, theatrical, dance, and visual art events with something for every cultural palate.

Come to laugh, snap your fingers and applaud. *Zombie Prom* promises fun. Tickets range from \$10 to \$15 with \$5 discounts for seniors, military, and students. To purchase tickets for *Zombie Prom* and other CoSA productions visit www.cosafoundation.org. For more information about the CoSA program call 619.522.4050.

About Coronado School of the Arts (CoSA)

CoSA is a public arts conservatory for high school students that embraces and encourages artistic creativity and academic excellence. This pre-professional arts program reaches out to talented students from all over San Diego County and offers a nurturing environment focused on individual growth, opportunity, and diversity.

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