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WESTERN THEATRE PRESENTS “BLITHE SPIRIT”

St. Joseph, Mo. — Sept. 22, 2004 — The Missouri Western State College department of communication studies and theatre will present “Blithe Spirit” Sept. 30-Oct. 3 in the Thompson E. Potter Fine Arts Theater. It will begin at 8 p.m. on Sept. 30, Oct. 1 and 2, and at 2 p.m. on Oct. 3. Admission is \$6 for adults and \$3 for students, employees, senior citizens and children. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

“Blithe Spirit: An Improbable Farce in Three Acts,” by Noel Coward, tells the story of Charles and Ruth Condomine, who, along with their friends Dr. and Mrs. Bradman convince a local ‘psychic’ to hold a séance at their home. Madame Arcarti, an energetic and absurd woman, holds the séance, but nothing appears to happen. Only later is it revealed that the spirit of Charles’ first wife, Elvira, has in fact been summoned, and her presence causes mayhem and madness.

Directed by W. Robin Findlay, associate professor of theatre, the show features the talents of Steven Hickman of Fulton, Mo.; Erika Pontius of Kansas City, Mo.; Candice Schrader of St. Charles, Mo.; Taylor Insko of St. Joseph, Mo.; Samantha Lord of St. Joseph, Mo.; and Kellen Perry of Wellington, Mo.

For more information, call (816) 271-4443.

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