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AVPA's Blurred Vision Car Wash

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Dirty cars will leave sparkling clean at the Academy of Visual and Performing Arts (AVPA) car wash on Sunday. This fundraiser will be held at the Elks Lodge, 11160 Washington Place, (East of Sepulveda) on December 18 between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. The price for cars is just \$5 while trucks and vans are \$7.

Members of AVPA's Blurred Vision Theatre Company are grateful to the Elks Lodge for hosting this car wash which is part of the Company's fundraising efforts. This group of Culver City High School students has been selected to perform at the renowned Fringe Festival in Edinburgh, Scotland in August, 2006. The students are excited by this opportunity to perform on an international stage and realize what a great honor it will be to represent Culver City at this event.



Each year the Fringe Festival attracts thousands of actors, directors, writers and producers as well as hundreds of thousands of theatergoers. This year only 57 high schools from the United States were selected to participate in the 2006 festival and only eight of those schools are from California. The Culver City High School group is one of only a few public schools selected to participate.

Darryl Hovis, Artistic Director for AVPA, knows these students have their work cut out for them, and not just with their fundraising efforts. The AVPA students will perform one of the more intriguing works from antiquity – Sophocles' *Antigone*. They'll be learning about the roots of theatre—the traditions and conventions of ancient Greek Tragedy—as they research and stage *Antigone*. "The nature of this play," says Hovis, "will force these students to explore their own ideas about the role of the government when pitted against individual conscience. It's a pretty contemporary idea, even if it was developed 2500 years ago."

The Academy of Visual and Performing Arts (AVPA) at Culver City High School offers a comprehensive arts curriculum after regular school hours for students who are committed to excellence in Art, Film, Theatre, Dance, and Music. Established in 1996, AVPA enjoys tremendous community support from Sony Pictures Entertainment and other design, recording, and theatre companies in the area. For more information, go to www.avpa.org or contact Darryl Hovis at 310-842-4200 x6009.

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