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LOS ALTOS STAGE COMPANY

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Dream the Impossible Dream

Los Altos Stage Company invites audiences to take a journey with one of the most renowned knights-errant of all time as he rises in triumphant transformation in the classic musical, **Man of La Mancha**. Winner of five Tony Awards, including Best Musical, *Man of La Mancha* opens on November 19th and runs through December 19th at the Bus Barn Theater in Los Altos.

With book by Dale Wasserman, lyrics by Joe Darion and music by Mitch Leigh, *Man of La Mancha* tells the story of the “mad” caballero Don Quixote as a play within a play, performed by Cervantes and his fellow prisoners as he awaits a hearing with the Spanish Inquisition. Backed by his faithful sidekick, Sancho Panza, Quixote duels windmills and defends his “perfect lady” Dulcinea. Dare to dream the impossible dream with this timeless, tough, and tuneful celebration of the human spirit.

Man of La Mancha began as a TV drama by Dale Wasserman for CBS under the title *I, Don Quixote*. It was broadcast live in 1959. The original Broadway production debuted 50 years ago and ran for 2,328 performances. Its popularity has never waned; it has had four Broadway revivals and numerous national and international productions that have been translated in over 30 languages.

The LASC production is directed by Virginia Drake, faculty emeritus at West Valley College, who previously directed *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf*, *On Golden Pond* and *Doubt* at Los Altos Stage Company. It features a talented ensemble of Bus Barn Theater veterans, as well as new faces, including: Joe Antonicelli, Christina Bolognini, Stephanie Crowley, Yuliya Eydelnant, Josiah Frampton, Peter Juarez, Dave Leon, Scott MacDiarmid, Leslie Newport, Deborah Rosengaus, Andy Rotchadl, Krista Joy Serpa, Andy Serrano, Rafael Toribio, and Daniel P. Wilson.

Performances are Wednesday through Saturday evenings at 8 pm and Sunday matinees at 3 pm. Ticket prices range from \$18 (student) to \$36. Opening Night tickets, including a reception with the artists, are also \$36. Tickets are available on-line at www.losaltosstage.org or by calling the Box Office at 650-941-0551.

Los Altos Stage Company is a quintessential American neighborhood playhouse, serving Los Altos and the greater South Bay area, and paying tribute to the full canon of American musicals, comedies, and dramas. This 20-year-old theater company strives to bring together a diversity of theater enthusiasts, practitioners, and supporters to create, explore and celebrate the rich tapestry of American culture and experience through live theater. Los Altos Stage Company produces five to six shows annually at its intimate 99-seat theater located on the Los Altos Civic Center campus.

If you'd like more information about *Man of La Mancha*, press tickets or to schedule an interview, please call Gary Landis, Executive Director at Tel: 650-941-5070/Cell: 415-269-7349 or email Gary at [garylandis@losaltosstage.org](mailto:garylendis@losaltosstage.org).

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Calendar Listing

Man of La Mancha

November 19 – December 19, 2015

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Bus Barn Theater

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