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## **MVC THEATRE PRODUCTION EARNS MERIT AWARD AT THEATRE FESTIVAL**

**Marshall, Mo.** (March 26, 2010)—Missouri Valley College’s theatre production of “The Angels of Lemnos” has been honored by the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival (KC/ACTF) with a *Meritorious Achievement Award*.

The theatre, music and dance department performed “The Angels of Lemnos,” a play by Jim Henry, in November. Two KC/ACTF regional representatives attended the play and nominated a scene for regional presentation.

Wade Hughes, associate professor of theatre, received word that the play had been honored with the *Meritorious Achievement Award* in March.

“The theatre, music and dance department worked hard on this play, and it’s a great honor to be recognized by the Kennedy Center for the hard work and long hours everyone put into getting this production on stage,” Hughes said.

The KC/ACTF judges nominate by the depth and breadth of a productions ability to involve audiences in an experience that is both stimulating and illuminating; the emphasis on the spoken word; physical interpretation of the text based on genuine emotions; the humanity of individuals; and the relationships between characters on stage.

Jim Henry, the playwright of “The Angels of Lemnos” is an actor, writer and playwright for the Chicago Dramatist and Chicago Street Theatre. Henry attended opening night of the MVC production, and will return to MVC as a guest speaker at the fourth annual Maastricht Institute of Entrepreneurship (MIE), which is set for April 19-21 on the MVC campus. For more information on MIE visit <http://moval.edu/academics>.

### **ABOUT MISSOURI VALLEY COLLEGE**

Missouri Valley College is a liberal arts college that provides educational, social and cultural experiences in a decidedly Christian environment. Established in 1889, MVC offers over 30 majors and 7 pre-professional programs, and 15 sports. The most popular majors include education and business, and the newest majors are nursing, graphic design, dance, and hospitality/tourism management. The liberal arts heritage focuses on scholarship, critical thinking and academic excellence to prepare students to become members of a responsible citizenry. For more information, call (660) 831-4000 or visit [www.moval.edu](http://www.moval.edu).

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