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JEFF DANIELS TO PLAY AT MCCC JAN. 29

Tickets Go on Sale Tomorrow at 10 a.m. via Web Only

MONROE, Mich. – An Emmy-winning television and movie star is usually not the first thing that comes to mind when you think of “grass roots” and “down to earth.”

Yet that is exactly what the audience will get when Jeff Daniels takes the stage at Monroe County Community College.

He will perform his one-man acoustic show of bluesy folk songs, personal stories and comedy at the college’s La-Z-Boy Center, Meyer Theater on Jan. 29 at 7:30 p.m.

The college booked the show as a signature event to recognize its 50th anniversary, as well as the 10th anniversary of the theater.

Daniels is a native of nearby Chelsea, where he founded The Purple Rose Theater Company.

According to the Albany, N.Y. Times Union, Daniels’ “regular-guy attitude and homespun delivery always hit the mark.”

He recently took home an Emmy for best actor in a drama for his starring role as Will McAvoy in HBO’s “The Newsroom.” He has also been nominated by his peers for a Screen Actors Guild award for the role. The 20th annual SAG Awards will be held on Jan. 18.

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Daniels recently completed filming the sequel to “Dumb and Dumber” and will tour throughout January before heading back to film the next season of “The Newsroom.”

This is Daniels’ second appearance at MCCC. He performed a sold-out show at the La-Z-Boy Center, Meyer Theater in 2007.

“When you think of Jeff Daniels, the first things that come to mind are his roles as a dramatic and comedic actor in films like ‘Terms of Endearment,’ ‘Dumb and Dumber’ and ‘The Newsroom,’” said Tom Ryder, who coordinates campus and community events at MCCC.

“Those who attended his first show at the college back in 2007 were blown away by his talent as a musician. His guitar playing and singing are excellent, and the crowd really enjoyed how he blended comedy and stories from his life into the performance.”

Tickets are \$45. They go on sale tomorrow at 10 a.m. and will only be available for purchase online via the La-Z-Boy Center website, www.monroeccc.edu/theater. There will be no discounts for this show.

Ryder said that people who wish to attend will need to act fast.

“Our show in 2007 sold out in pretty much one day,” he said. “And Jeff is only touring briefly while here in Michigan. This is a very big event for Monroe County and MCCC, and a great way to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the college and the 10th anniversary of the theater.”

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