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FAYETTEVILLE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE ANNOUNCES "THE MUSIC MAN" AND A SPRING JURIED ART EXHIBITION

October 13, 2009 — Fayetteville, North Carolina — The Fine Arts Department of Fayetteville Technical Community College announces the fall musical production of *The Music Man* and a Spring Juried Art Exhibition. Both the fall musical and the spring art exhibition are made possible as a result of grants provided by the Arts Council of Fayetteville/Cumberland County in support of students' education, FTCC faculty, and the community. *The Music Man* will be presented at FTCC's Cumberland Hall Auditorium on the following dates and times; all shows are open to the public and are free. The FTCC Foundation's Dinner Theater performance on November 13 is open to the public with tickets available at a cost of \$50. Proceeds from the Dinner Theater benefit the FTCC Foundation (to provide financial help to students for books and tuition).

Fridays and Saturdays, November 6, 7, 14, 20, and 21 at 7 p.m.

Sundays, November 8, 15, and 22 at 2 p.m.

Friday, November 13 – 6 p.m. – FTCC Foundation's Dinner Theater (fundraiser)

Details concerning the Spring Juried Art Exhibition will be shared at a later date.

"Arts Council Project Support Grants this year will support many community priorities such as adult literacy, K-12 education, after-school programs and cultural tourism," says Deborah Mintz, Executive Director of the Arts Council. "There are concerts and plays, quilt and storytelling festivals, and so many other opportunities for our citizens to explore their own creativity." The Arts Council's Project Support Grants are awarded to local non-profit agencies who produce programs of artistic merit and who demonstrate financial and administrative stability. The purpose of Project Support Grants is to recognize and support exemplary forms of artistic expression. The Arts Council of Fayetteville/Cumberland County has served the residents of Fayetteville and Cumberland County for more than 30 years, helping to ensure growth in children's education and to promote the community's cultural identity and economic progress. The Arts Council's grants, programs, and services are funded in part by contributions from businesses and individuals and through grants from the City of Fayetteville, Cumberland County, the North Carolina Arts Council, and funding from the state.

The primary mission of the FTCC Fine Arts Department is to provide students with a challenging education in drama, music, and the visual arts and opportunities to express what they have learned through forums that exhibit and showcase student and community talent. Fayetteville Technical Community College was established in 1961 and serves over 34,000 students annually by providing 150 affordable vocational, technical, general education, college transfer, and continuing education programs to meet students' needs and desires as well as the community.

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