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OHS Drama Department Set to Perform *Jesus Christ Superstar* in 2013

Timmins, June 21, 2012:

The O'Gorman High School Drama Department announced that next year's musical production will be *Jesus Christ Superstar*.

Jesus Christ Superstar is a rock opera by Andrew Lloyd Webber, with lyrics by Tim Rice. The musical started off as a rock opera concept recording before its first staging on Broadway in 1971. The musical is based very loosely on the Gospels' account of the last week of Jesus' life, beginning with the preparation for the arrival of Jesus and his disciples in Jerusalem, and ending with the crucifixion. It highlights political and interpersonal struggles between Judas Iscariot and Jesus, struggles that are not in the Bible. The resurrection is not included. It therefore largely follows the form of a traditional passion play.

Lauri-Ann Loreto-Neal, Teacher and Drama Department Head, commented "We are all very excited to announce that next year our talented group of students and staff will be performing the high energy, high impact *Jesus Christ Superstar* musical production. This musical will be demanding due to the choreography and music scores, but I know we have the talent and the work ethic to produce a top notch production."

Auditions will be taking place the last week of September, with rehearsals starting in mid-October. The musical performance dates are May 1-4, 2013 in the Sylvia Gravel Theatre, located within O'Gorman High School.

We all wish OHS a successful upcoming production of *Jesus Christ Superstar* – Break a leg!

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