Bakersfield College Performing Arts Department presents: 2nd Annual Summer Musical “Parade”

Performances on August 3, 4, 10, and 11 at 7:30 PM
Tickets available at Vallitix.com

After the resounding success of last year’s production Into the Woods, The Bakersfield College Performing Arts Department proudly presents the 2nd Annual Summer Musical, the Tony Award-winning Parade. Performances will take place on August 3, 4, 10 and 11th at 7:30 p.m. in the Edward Simonsen Indoor Theatre on the Bakersfield College campus. Tickets are available on Vallitix.com and are $15 for reserved seating, $12 general admission and $8 for students, staff, seniors and veterans.

Amid religious intolerance, political injustice and racial tension, this stirring musical explores the endurance of love and hope against all the odds. With a book by acclaimed playwright Alfred Uhry, and a rousing, colorful and haunting score by Jason Robert Brown, Parade is a moving examination of the darkest corners of America's history.

In 1913, Leo Frank, a Brooklyn-raised Jew living in Georgia, is put on trial for the murder of thirteen-year-old Mary Phagan, a factory worker under his employ. Already guilty in the eyes of everyone around him, a sensationalist publisher and a janitor’s false testimony seal Leo’s fate. His only defenders are a governor with a conscience and, eventually, his assimilated Southern wife who finds the strength and love to become his greatest champion.

Daring, innovative and bold, Parade is filled with soaring music and a heart-wrenching story, offering a moral lesson about the dangers of prejudice and ignorance that still ring true in our modern political landscape.