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***Celebrating our 10th Anniversary Season!***

**Saint Joseph College presents the Spring 2011 Bruyette Athenaeum  
Performing Arts Series at  
The Carol Autorino Center for the Arts and Humanities:**

## **Twist of Lemmon - A Musical Memoir featuring Chris Lemmon**

*A Show in One Act featuring 11 Original Piano Compositions  
Based on his critically acclaimed book **A Twist of Lemmon: A Tribute to My Father**  
(Algonquin Books of Chapel Hill)*

**Friday, May 13, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.**

**The Bruyette Athenaeum's Hoffman Auditorium at Saint Joseph College  
1678 Asylum Avenue, West Hartford, Conn. 06117**

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WEST HARTFORD, CONN. - Saint Joseph College will present Chris Lemmon in "Twist of Lemmon, A Musical Memoir" featuring 11 original piano compositions as part of The Bruyette Athenaeum Performing Arts Series on Friday, May 13, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in the Hoffman Auditorium on the College's West Hartford campus. Advance admission: \$25 (all tickets); admission from May 9: \$30 (all tickets). General seating; to purchase tickets, contact the Frances Driscoll Box Office at 860.231.5555 or place your order online at <http://tickets.sjc.edu>. Box office hours are Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and one hour before performances.

On the heels of his critically acclaimed novel (Algonquin Books), and the release of his new album "Twist of Lemmon, A Musical Memoir" Chris Lemmon has gone a step further to create a totally new stage experience about his memories of growing up "Hollywood," the son of world-famous actor Jack Lemmon. An unparalleled one man stage performance, "Twist" features nine original piano compositions, along with a spoken narrative that will move the audience with touching and heartfelt stories, and laugh out loud anecdotes of his life and times in the world of Hollywood stardom.

A totally original and unexplored style of performance, “Twist” offers the audience a first of its kind stage experience. Guiding them on an emotional and personal life tour, while attempting to answer that one question Chris Lemmon was asked his entire life: What was it like to be Jack Lemmon’s son?

Chris Lemmon has starred in over 25 feature films, including “Just The Ticket”, “Lena’s Holiday” and “That’s Life.” He’s starred in television series for all major networks, including “Knot’s Landing” (CBS), “Thunder in Paradise” (Reisher), “Studio 59” (ABC), “Brothers & Sisters” (NBC), and most notably Fox's highly acclaimed network-launching situation comedy “Duet.”

Lemmon graduated California Institute of the Arts with degrees in classical piano and composition, as well as degrees in the theatrical arts, and went on to appear in numerous stage productions, including the west-coast tour of “Barefoot in the Park,” directed by the late Jerry Paris; the original award winning west coast production of “Shay” by Anne Commire; and the highly successful “Love Letters” with Stephanie Zimbalast. He currently resides in New England where he writes and produces feature films and television. He is presently in development on his film “Publicity Stunt”, which he wrote and produced, and in which he will star. “Publicity Stunt” will be directed by lifelong friend, Charlie Matthau.

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*Saint Joseph College, founded in 1932 by the Sisters of Mercy to provide higher education opportunities for women, is a comprehensive institution serving women from diverse backgrounds and religious traditions. Responsive to the evolving educational needs of the community, the School of Graduate and Professional Studies also offers both women and men graduate degree programs in many fields, a Weekend Program for Adult Learners, professional certificate programs relevant to today’s workforce, and other continuing education opportunities. In the fall of 2011, the Saint Joseph College School of Pharmacy, the first doctoral program in the College’s 78-year history, will open at Hartford 21 on Trumbull Street in downtown Hartford. View our Web site at [www.sjc.edu](http://www.sjc.edu).*

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