



Tom J. McCoy plays Hal in the play 'Picnic.' (Photo courtesy of Mallory Prucha)

Mesa Community College Theatre and Film Arts Department will present the play "Picnic" at 7:30 p.m. April 22-23 and 28-29 and at 2 p.m. April 23 and 30 at the MCC Theatre on the south side of MCC's campus, 1833 W. Southern Ave. in Mesa. Tickets, ranging from \$9 to \$12, are available by calling the MCC Box Office at 480-461-7172, online at mesacc.edu/arts or at the door.

Directed by Kevin Dressler, MCC Theatre and Film Department faculty member, "Picnic" is the story of a small Kansas town and the women who reside there. When a handsome drifter, Hal, arrives, their lives are turned upside down. When Hal and Madge fall in love, their passion is strained by Madge's betrothal to another man and Hal's drifting ways. A snapshot of America in the 1950s, "Picnic" is a tale of desire and restraint that tugs at the fabric that holds comfortable society together, according to a press release.

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