

## Stockton Wellness Center Presents "Vagina Monologues" on April 16, 17 and 20

All Proceeds from Event Benefit the Atlantic County Women's Center and the Area Chapter, Rape Abuse and Incest National Network (RAINN)

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**Galloway, NJ** – The Wellness Center of The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey presents a three-night showing of Eve Ensler's play, "The Vagina Monologues" at the Campus Center Theatre on Tuesday, April 16, Wednesday April 17 (at 8 both nights) and Saturday, April 20 at 5 p.m.

There is a suggested donation of \$5 per person for tickets to the event. Tickets are available at the door or in advance at the Counseling Center in Room J-204 of the Galloway campus.

Proceeds from the event benefit the Atlantic County Women's Center and the Southern New Jersey Chapter of RAINN, the Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network.

"We decided to put this production together in an effort to celebrate women and to help prevent violence against women," said Elana Dobrowolski, Assistant Director of Counseling Services at Stockton. "This play breaks taboos by giving voice to subjects not frequently discussed," she said, adding that event T-shirts will also be on sale for \$7.

The original production of The Vagina Monologues ran Off Broadway starring Ensler in 1996 and was recast with celebrity monologists when Ensler left the play. It has been staged internationally and a television version featuring Ensler was produced by HBO. Ensler worked with Willa Shalit, a producer of the Westside (New York) Theater production of the show to launch V-Day, a global non-profit movement that has raised more than \$75 million for women's anti-violence groups through benefit productions of "The Vagina Monologues."

"We hope community members will come out and show their support and love for women on April 16, 17 and 20," Dobrowolski said.