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CAST OF 'LIFE OF BRIAN' REUNITE FOR SPECIAL CHARITY SCREENING IN ABERYSTWYTH ARTS CENTRE

Information begins....

Cast members of Monty Python's infamous film 'The Life of Brian' will reunite 30 years after it was first screened, for a special Charity event at Aberystwyth Arts Centre on Saturday 28 March.

Monty Python stalwarts Terry Jones and Michael Palin have been invited to the event by Sue Jones Davies, currently Mayor of Aberystwyth, who also starred in the film as Brian's girlfriend, a fiery revolutionary called Judith Iscariot.

Sue Jones Davies has a long and distinguished career as an actress, and has appeared in many films, TV shows and theatre productions, from the original London production of Jesus Christ Superstar to TV series including Rock Follies, French and Saunders, Victoria Wood As Seen On TV and Brideshead Revisited. Currently however she has a role of a different nature as Mayor of Aberystwyth, a post she has held for the past year.

When Sue first became Mayor, there was much media coverage regarding the fact that the famous film she starred in was possibly still banned from being screened in her own town. There was much debate as to whether the ban imposed on the Monty Python film in Aberystwyth when it was originally released had ever been officially lifted. A campaign was launched to overturn the ban, and it was clear that even though over 30 years had passed the film still had the power to cause controversy.

However, having been reassured that there was nothing standing in the way of a screening, Sue contacted her old acting friends, and the Arts Centre is preparing for a special evening. The event will begin at 7pm with a champagne reception, then into the screening at 8pm, followed by a Question and Answer session with Sue, Terry and Michael. Tickets are on sale now, but are very limited as the cinema seats just 120 people – so its a rare opportunity to get to talk to the stars from the film in an intimate setting. Tickets are £25 and all proceeds are going to charity – the British Heart Foundation is Sue's chosen charity, whilst Terry Jones

has chosen Truthout, the news agency dedicated to establishing a powerful, stable voice for independent journalism.

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Notes to Editors:

Sue Jones Davies will be available prior to the event for interview on request.

There will be a short period of time prior to the event for photos with Michael, Terry and Sue commencing at 6.30pm. If you would like to attend please contact the Arts Centre.

There are no complementary press tickets available for the screening and Q&A – sorry, its all for charity and we've only got limited seats! However if you'd like to buy a ticket, places can be reserved for you so let me know asap.

The event is now sold out.

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