

Gary Tyler & A Special Showing of “Cast the First Stone”

October 6, 2016 at 4 pm – 6 pm in the Burns Lounge

*Refreshments will be provided.
MCLE credit available.*

Gary Tyler was convicted and sentenced to death by an all white jury when he was 17 years old—the youngest person on death row. Tyler served 41 years in Angola State Prison in Louisiana for a crime he did not commit. He was released on April 29, 2016, after the district attorney’s office agreed to vacate his murder conviction.

Gary’s death sentence was overturned after the U.S. Supreme Court ruled Louisiana’s mandatory death penalty statute unconstitutional in 1976, and his life sentence was recently overturned after the Supreme Court barred mandatory life sentences for juvenile offenders.

Cast The First Stone features Gary Tyler in his role as President of the Angola Drama Club. Directed by Emmy Award winning and two-time Academy Award nominated documentary filmmaker Jonathan Stack, the film takes us deep inside Louisiana’s Angola Prison and Correctional Institution for Women, where 75 inmates come together to perform the largest prison production of The Passion Play ever.

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