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Student Entertainment Events Presents: Kari Byron and Grant Imahara of Mythbusters

Student Entertainment Events and Weekends at Maryland are pleased to announce the cast of Beyond Productions' and The Discovery Channel's uniquely fun and educational television series, "Mythbusters." On Saturday, Dec. 1, Kari Byron and Grant Imahara will visit the Grand Ballroom in the Adele H. Stamp Student Union to talk about their whacky and sometimes dangerous experiences as scientific celebrities. Student tickets are available in the Hoff Ticket Office in the Stamp Student Union and are free with a UMID. General public tickets are \$15 and are available at the Hoff Ticket Office and online at www.see.umd.edu. They may be picked up at the Hoff ticket Office on the event date.

Byron has been part of the "Mythbusters" team since her debut in the "Vacuum Toilet" segment of one of the first episodes, which examined whether a person could be suctioned into an airline toilet. Jamie Hyneman, the co-host of "Mythbusters," met Byron while she was working for his company, M5 Industries, making models and prototyping toys. He asked her to participate in the episode so he could 3-D scan her backside, and her chemistry with the cast and content of the show were undeniable.

Imahara is a Build Team member on "Mythbusters." Before he began working with the show Imahara worked with George Lucas' Industrial Light and Magic (ILM), a motion picture visual effects company, as an animatronics engineer and model maker. During his time there, he updated and operated the R2-D2 units, and is one of three who can claim the title R2-D2 Operator in the United States. Jamie Hyneman and Imahara's ILM colleague Linda Wolkovitch, who is an associate producer on "Mythbusters," recruited Imahara as the third member of the Build Team, to replace welder Scottie Chapman.

To arrange an interview or receive more press information, including press passes and interview requests, please contact Maggy Baccinelli, the Student Entertainment Events' Public Relations Director at (301)-314-8498 or via e-mail. When submitting a request include your name, press affiliation, and contact information.

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