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Alhambra High School Thespians Present
“Flowers for Algernon”
November 9-10, 15-17

Performance will be intimate and immersive, including both live performance and multimedia projections

“Flowers for Algernon,” the heart-rendering classic about an intellectually disabled man’s struggles before, during and after experimental surgery to improve his brain power, will come to life November 9, 10, 15, 16, 17 in performances at Alhambra High School.

The Alhambra High School Thespian Society production of the 1959 play by David Rogers is based on the short story and novel of the same name by Daniel Keyes. It follows the story of Charlie Gordon, a man with an IQ of 60 who, with the support of his night-school teacher, undergoes a highly experimental surgery to improve his brain power from that of a third grade child to that of a super genius. That surgery, though, had only been successful in a lab mouse named Algernon.

As Charlie’s intellect grows he becomes more and more aware the world around him and the people in his life are not as good or as smart as his former self believed. He becomes jaded and distant as he surpasses the intellect of even Albert Einstein. But Charlie comes to realize that his time as a genius may be short lived, as the mouse Algernon begins to show signs of regression.

