



Los Angeles Valley College

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This Issue's News & Events



Limited Winter Session Hours of Operation for the Math Lab, Writing Center and Computer Commons

The Math Lab, Writing Center and Computer Commons on the second floor of the Library and Academic Resource Center will offer special hours of operation during Winter Session 2013. From January 2-February 1, the [Math Lab](#) will be open on Monday-Thursday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and 3:30-6:30 p.m., and Friday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; the [Writing Center](#) will be open Monday and Wednesday from 2-6:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday 9 a.m.-2 p.m. In addition, the Computer Commons (computer lab) will be operating on selected dates: from January 2-27 it will be open Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m.-7 p.m., and from January 28-February 1 from 10 a.m.-6:30 p.m.



LAVC Students Receive \$500 Achieving the Dream Scholarships from the Los Angeles Community College District

The Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) has awarded 57 LAVC students with \$500 Achieving the Dream scholarships; Valley College received the most scholarships in the District. The scholarship was open to all students enrolled at one of the nine colleges in the LACCD who met the following criteria: a first-time student with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher, completed at least 15 units, completed the assessment exam on campus, successfully completed an English or Math course with a "C" or better, submitted an essay on the steps students can take to be more successful in college, and submitted a letter of recommendation. The LACCD secured outside funding for the scholarship. It aligned with the goals student success outlined by Achieving the Dream, a national non-profit that is dedicated to helping more community

college student succeed, particularly low-income students and students of color, to stay in school and earn a college certificate or degree. A total of 57 students applied, and all were selected to receive the scholarship.



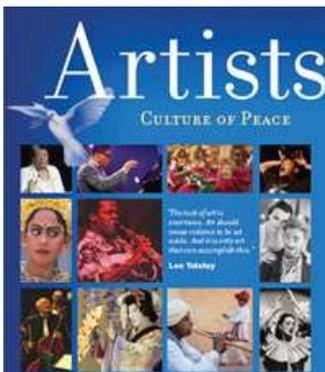
SGI-USA Donates Book to the LAVC Library and Establishes a New “Building a Culture of Peace” Scholarship

On November 27, 2012, Valley College held a special ceremony to recognize Soka Gakkai International-USA Buddhist Association (SGI-USA) for heightening public awareness of the values, attitudes and behaviors of the United Nations culture of peace initiative and for its generous support. SGI-USA donated 50 books on the topics of “peace” to the LAVC Library, and also established a \$250 “Building a Culture of Peace” scholarship with the LAVC Foundation. The scholarship will be awarded in Spring 2013 to an LAVC student who demonstrates their accomplishments as a peace builder and/or for their ideas for building a culture of peace. In addition, LAVC is hosting SGI-USA’s traveling exhibition series entitled “A Culture of Peace” in the college’s new Library and Academic Resource Center during the 2012-2013 academic year. Each month, a different topic, such as “Children Are the Future”, “Artists as Peacemakers”, “Seeds of Change: The Earth Charter and Human Potential”, “The Century of Women” and “Victory Over Violence”, is featured in the exhibition.



Attention All New Students!—Get the Secrets to Success at Spring 2013 Welcome Fair; Register by January 23

LAVC will hold a Welcome Fair for new students on Wednesday, January 30 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. in Monarch Hall. This one-day event will help first-time students get ready for the Spring semester and teach them what it takes to be a successful student at Valley College. There will be campus tours, entertainment, workshops, and an information fair. Participating students will also learn about important services and resources on campus, find out how to get involved and have fun by joining the ASU (student government) and campus clubs, and meet fellow students, and faculty, staff and administrators. At the end of the day, participants will receive a special “Front of the Line Pass” for Admissions & Records, the Bookstore, Business Office, Financial Aid, Counseling and the Writing Center. Space is limited; the deadline to register is January 23. To register online, visit www.lavc.edu/success/welcomefair.



The Culture of Peace Exhibition on “Artists as Peacemakers” in the LAVC Library is Extended Until February 28

Soka Gakkai International-USA Buddhist Association (SGI-USA) is presenting a “Culture of Peace” traveling exhibition series on the first floor of the LAVC Library & Academic Resource Center. The current

exhibition called "Artists as Peacemakers" is dedicated to the many artists who are working to building a culture of peace, and has been extended until February 28, 2013. The exhibition series is produced by SGI-USA's Peace and Community Relations Department to raise awareness of the values and behaviors of the United Nations culture of peace initiative. Each exhibit is composed of a series of colorful fabric panels which include colorful photos, informative text and inspirational quotes on various aspects of the culture of peace. The exhibit content is non-religious and non-partisan in nature and it is the continuing hope that these exhibitions will raise awareness and stimulate meaningful dialogue. The "Artists as Peacemakers" exhibit, which started on December 3, 2012, is the fourth part of a rotating exhibition series during the 2012-2013 academic year. For more information on the Culture of Peace exhibition series, visit www.sgi-usa.org/newsandevents/exhibitions/index.php.

Additional news and events are posted online at www.lavc.edu/campusnews/.

Please Announce to All Students

The following are important campus announcements for your students:

- **Attention Students—EOPS will be Accepting New Students for Spring 2013.** LAVC's EOPS (Extended Opportunity Programs & Services) will accept a limited number of new students for the Spring 2013 Semester starting Tuesday, January 15 from 9 a.m.-12 noon and 4-6 p.m. in the Fireside Room. Students will be admitted on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, visit the EOPS Web site at www.lavc.edu/eops.
- **Want to Study in the South of France This Summer?** The LAVC Study Away in Montpellier/South of France Program will hold an information meeting on Saturday, January 19 in Foreign Language Room 102 from 12 noon-2 p.m. Study Away in Montpellier is a month-long study program with AIFS (American Institute of Foreign Study) that will take place from June 29-July 27, 2013. Come learn how you can earn up to 8 units of LAVC credit while studying French in the South of France. The last chance to attend an information session will be held on February 23, 2013. If you have questions regarding this program, visit www.lavc.edu/montpellier, or contact Professor D. Merrill at merrild@lavc.edu or (818) 947-2380.

Announcements for Faculty/Staff

Want the Latest News on LAVC's Construction and Parking Updates? Information on construction projects that impact the college community are regularly posted on the LAVC's ReVitalizing Valley College Web Site. Check out the Construction and Parking Updates link on the LAVC Web site, or visit www.lavc.edu/revitalizingvalley/constructionupdates.html.

Mark Your Calendar—Winter 2013 Mini-TechFest on January 30 & 31. LAVC Professional Development will present its Winter 2013 Mini-TechFest on Wednesday, January 30 and Thursday, January 31 from 9 a.m.-3:15 p.m. in the Faculty Staff Resource Center in LARC 200. There will be two days of fantastic technology workshops to help you enhance your face-to-face, online, and hybrid classes. It's free! A complete schedule and workshop descriptions are available at www.lavc.edu/profdev.

Save the Date—Spring into Spring Adjunct Faculty Orientation on February 2. LAVC Professional Development and the LAVC Office of Academic Affairs will offer a "Spring into Spring Adjunct Faculty Orientation" on Saturday, February 2 from 8:30 a.m.-12 noon at the Faculty Staff Resource Center in LARC 200. This orientation session for adjunct faculty members will answer your questions about college processes, resources, and where to get what you need to help your students succeed! Connect with your colleagues and enjoy continental breakfast. Please RSVP by 1/30 to ext. 2712 or profdev@lavc.edu. For more information, contact Professional Development at (818) 947-2712.

Activities this Week

The following is a list of selected campus event and meetings that are scheduled to take place at LAVC. Please contact the listed department/contact person for more detailed information. A complete list of campus activities is posted on the online LAVC calendar at www.lavc.edu/calendar/.

LAVC Calendar of Events for January 5-13, 2013

Sunday, January 6

All day Winter Session 2013 Last Day to Drop Classes Without Receiving a "W" (by Internet Only)
Calendar: Academic Dates & Deadlines

Monday, January 7

1pm - 2pm Administrators Meeting
Where: President's Conference Room
Calendar: LAVC Meetings
Contact: LAVC President's Office (818) 947-2321

6pm - 9pm GVGC Board Meeting sponsored by Greater Valley Glen Council (GVGC)
Where: Los Angeles Valley College, Faculty Lounge, 5800 Fulton Avenue, Valley Glen, CA 91401
Calendar: Community Events
Contact: Greater Valley Glen Council, Terry Anderson, (818) 902-9066, tanderson@gvgc.us, <http://www.greatervalleyglencouncil.org>

Tuesday, January 8

1pm - 2:30pm Career Ed Advisory Meeting
Where: Faculty Lounge
Calendar: LAVC Meetings
Contact: Laurie Nalepa, nalepal@lavc.edu

1:30pm - 3:30pm PASS Executive & Core Team Meeting
Where: President's Conference Room
Calendar: LAVC Meetings
Contact: Rebecca Stein, steinrl@lavc.edu, <http://www.lavc.edu/pass/index.html>

Wednesday, January 9

1pm - 2:30pm Student Success Committee Meeting
Where: President's Conference Room
Calendar: LAVC Meetings
Contact: LAVC Student Success Committee, Scott Weigand, (818) 947-2811, weigansm@lavc.edu

Thursday, January 10

1pm - 2:30pm Foundational Skills Committee Meeting
Where: Library and Academic Resource Center 205
Calendar: LAVC Meetings
Contact: LAVC Foundational Skills Committee, Scott Weigand, (818) 947-2811, weigansm@lavc.edu

Friday, January 11

Saturday, January 12

VISION STATEMENT

Los Angeles Valley College serves the community as a leader in instructional excellence, facilitating the success of its diverse students, developing critical thinkers and life-long learners, and contributing to the economic and cultural vitality of the San Fernando Valley and beyond.

MISSION STATEMENT

Los Angeles Valley College is a comprehensive community college located in the center of the San Fernando Valley. The College serves the community by providing transfer, degree, career-technical, foundational, transitional and continuing education programs in an attractive and accessible learning environment that fosters student success. Embedded in these programs are the greater goals of critical thinking and life-long learning which are necessary for success in the workplace and for advancing one's education, personal development and quality of life.

To read the entire Mission Statement, visit www.lavc.edu/vision-mission/

The LAVC College Bulletin is distributed to the campus community every Wednesday for the following week's activities and events. A PDF version of the College Bulletin is also posted at <http://www.lavc.edu/bulletin> every Friday.

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