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Maker Space Draws Crowd for Successful Opening

The opening of SCC's Maker Space was a huge success. From Foundation Executive Director Curt Johnston:

With our busy schedules, it's easy to miss the significance of important milestones. Last week, Solano Community College held an open house for a new "Maker Space." Honestly, I didn't know what this program was about, so I had to check it out. As soon as I walked in the door, I realized it's a training laboratory at the cornerstone of so many high wage technology driven jobs. The Maker Space program will teach students how to use CNC machines, 2D and 3D CAD printers, vacuum formers, laser and vinyl cutters, as well as basic hand and power tools. Learning to use this equipment is essential to a diverse range of high demand career fields, such as advanced manufacturing. Congrats to SCC Drafting Instructor Karen Cook for pulling the program together. So proud workforce training programs are alive and doing well at SCC.



Board Meeting Features Biotech Program Update

The Board was presented with an update from the Biotechnology department during its May 2 meeting.

The presentation team talked about the new courses offered in the BS Biomanufacturing degree, the 2017 and 2018 cohorts, the requisites and the Biotech certificate SCC offers.

There are 14 students in the 2017 cohorts. They are all expected to graduate in 2019. There are 28 students accepted in the 2018 cohort.

The Board was told about where some of these students are currently working, including Genentech and Biomarin. They also learned about the collaborations SCC Biotech has with the local high schools.

For those interested in seeing the video shown to the Board, you can find it here.

Creative Writing Class End of Year Event



Creative writing students enrolled in Professor Michael Wyly's English 006, 007, and 010 performed a reading of ekphrastic poetry and prose, as part of the Ultra-Violet student art exhibition now on display in the Dorothy Herger Gallery (Building 1300). Ekphrasis (adj. ekphrastic) is the use of description of a visual work as a literary device. The reading marked the final chapter of a semester-long collaboration between Professor Marc Lancet's sculpture students and Wyly's creative writing students. During this collaboration, sculpture students exchanged objects with the creative writing students who in turn placed language on the objects. These objects and words were used to create the assemblage sculptures now on display as part of the Ultra Violet show. The creative writing students then composed their ekphrases as a response to the displayed assemblages.

from "They Say It Was Built by Dirt" by Andrew Brown Vivid warnings shout under light. Warning of the void that lies At the center. That center, so coveted, Deemed worthless in the dark.

From "Kodoku" by Sandra Calderon Alonso I stand in the shadow Which closely resembles hers Staring into the lines of my hands Trying to find her name again But the only thing she left Is a scrawl of the things she wanted most

From "One Day I Will Be Big" by Karyssa Zaldivar When you have an ingrown soul you musn't cut it out. It is not a cancer. It is a scared child. It is approaching a cliff And falling over it And hoping to grow wings on the way down

Puente Program's End of Year Celebration



Last week, the Solano College Puente Program held it's Endof-Year Celebration, an annual gathering that includes families, mentors, faculty, and administrators to honor Puente students completing their first year in the program and students who are graduating and/or transferring. The evening featured several student speakers, a slideshow highlighting the year's events, and a taco bar. Mentors were recognized for the vital role they play in the program with their guidance and inspiration.

Puente Coordinators Rebecca LaCount (Counseling) and Isabel Anderson (English) are proud of the work these students have done and thank the Solano College community for their support!

The Puente Project is part of a statewide program sponsored by the University of California whose mission is to increase the number of educationally disadvantaged students who enroll in four-year colleges and universities, earn college degrees and return to the community as mentors and leaders to future generations. Students enroll in English and Counseling, and are assigned a community mentor, establishing a support system in their first semester at Solano. Co-curricular events include college and university visits, a conference hosted by the UC Office of the President, a family night, mentor-student activities, and student services workshops.

SCC Puente is currently recruiting students and mentors for the 2018-19 academic year. Please email <u>Rebecca</u> or <u>Isabel</u> for more information.

You're Invited To Dance Classes/Performance



2:45 - 4:15 pm - Studio To Stage A one and a half hour class for dancers of all skill levels in which ODC company members teach solos from the repertory.

4:30 - 6 pm - Composition Master Class A one and a half hour class on composition taught by Brenda Way, KT Nelson and the dancers based on problem-solving.

6:30 pm - UnPlugged (SCC Theatre - Building 1200) ODC/Dance's most popular audience engagement program: a one-hour presentation of the creative process of a particular work followed by a full run through of the work, and an opportunity for Q&A.

7:30 - 8pm - Reception

NOTE: No cost for classes or performance. Please bring dance/fitness attire and shoes. All levels welcome.



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SCC Base-baller Heading to S. Arkansas University



Before Nick Spini headed from Solano College to Southern Arkansas University to become an assistant hitting and catching coach with the Muleriders, he found something he wanted to bring on this trip besides socks, shirts and a good book to read. He wanted to bring Roberto Diaz.

Although Spini was a hitting coach with the Solano College baseball program for just a few months, it was more than long enough to realize that the Falcons second baseman would fit his new program perfectly.

This past week, Diaz, a Jesse Bethel High graduate, decided that Southern Arkansas would be the best place for him to continue his baseball career as he committed to the school for his junior and senior years of college.

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