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I look forward to being back at Skyline next week after being away for the past few weeks. There is a lot going on, and will be through the end of the term. Here goes!

One last reminder of two key deadlines: President's Innovation Fund proposals, and Skyline Shines Award nominations—April 30, 4:30 pm

That is one week from now, next Friday, yep—it really is now already. You can find all the details about both of these, including the forms and how to submit proposals and nominations at this address:

<http://www.skylinecollege.edu/facstaff/PresidentsOffice/>.

40th Anniversary Performing Arts Showcase fills Theater

Skyline's First Annual Performing Arts Showcase took place last Saturday, April 17. More than 130 student performers put on a wonderful show from all aspects of the performing arts. Musicians from voice, guitar, choir, piano and band classes played, poets and actors presented, dance students and the cheer team performed, and the Kababayan students did an excerpt from their Pilipino Cultural Night production. Many of the pieces were original work of the students. The Showcase was produced by the Skyline College Theater Club under the direction of Professor Jude Navari and Theater Manager Alan Ceccarelli using funding from The President's Innovation Fund. Thanks to all the faculty and staff who contributed to this event: Liza Erpelo, Katharine Harer, Frank Markovich, Julia Hansen, Robert Conrad, Billy Robinson, Russ Ferreira, Amber Steele, Elizabeth Ingber, Sandy Irber, Caroline Ocampo, Donna Bestock and Rakefet Avramovitz. Thanks also to the students in the stage crew and to MC Jeremiah Miller. The backstage photos are by chorister Virginia Ramos.





Beta Theta Omicron is a Most Distinguished Chapter

Beta Theta Omicron is the 2010 5th finalist to the **Most Distinguished Chapter** in Phi Theta Kappa. The Phi Theta Kappa International Convention was held April 8-10 in Orlando, Florida. The purpose of the convention is to celebrate 2009 accomplishments and kick-off the new honors study topic, The Democratization of Information.

Beta Theta Omicron, Skyline's chapter, worked on several projects in 2009 under the leadership of Melba Madrigal, our chapter president. Melba and the other officers described their processes of development, implementation, and evaluation in a series of hallmark essays submitted to Phi Theta Kappa headquarters in February. The essays were judged in a competitive process.

Our chapter also earned the 2010 Beta Alpha Continued Excellence Award for being a Distinguished Chapter three consecutive years. There are 1250 Phi Theta Kappa chapters in the world, including 89 in California. Only 25 chapters can earn Distinguished Chapter and only six are awarded Most Distinguished Chapter.

2010 individual awards were won by the following Skyline students for their accomplishments during the previous year, and by a Skyline faculty member:

Derrick Hau: International Distinguished Chapter Officer
 Catherine Limcaco: International Distinguished Chapter Member
 Professor Christine Case: International Distinguished Advisor

Our chapter won the Service Hallmark for projects that included raising money to rebuild Edgewood Community Center (San Bruno), buy a biofuel plant for Bridge2Peace Montessori School (Sri Lanka), and sponsor two children (in Guatemala and Zimbabwe).

Shown in the photo are Catherine Limcaco, Christina Eco, Ashley Good, Melba Madrigal, and Derrick Hau.

The photo was taken by a kind Phi Theta Kappan at the conference, and superimposed by Chris Case on a photo of the big screen taken by Christina Eco.

6th Annual Pilipino Cultural Night coming next week—*State of the Art*

Skyline College continues its annual tradition of Pilipino Cultural Nights with its latest production, *State of the Art*, on Thursday, April 29 and Saturday, May 1, 2010 in the Main Theater at Skyline College, 3300 College Drive, San Bruno. Doors open at 6 pm for both shows and the show will begin at 7 pm. Pilipino Cultural Night (PCN) is a student-run event that is open to the community to celebrate the Filipino American experience, showcasing the cultural dances and traditional music from the Philippines as well as elements of the Filipino American culture.

The show is based upon the work of students enrolled in English 104: "Applied English Skills in Cultural Production," who are responsible for the writing, directing, producing, advertising, acting, singing,

dancing, stage/technical crew, and prop/set design and construction of the show. The dances are performed by members of the class as well as the Kababayan Dance Troupe of Skyline College.

In this year's story, *State of the Art*, DeeJay Sanchez is looking for the answer to the age-old question, "what are you going to do with your life?" To his mother Corazon, DeeJay is already on his way to becoming a nurse, but to his cousin Mae and his best friends Ano and Nico, DeeJay's real talents lay in his artistic abilities as a painter. His life seems so clear to everyone—well, everyone except for DeeJay, who decides to enter into an art contest to prove to his mother and himself, that art is what he should pursue. The contest seems simple enough; create three art pieces representing struggle, love and the Martial Law period in the Philippines. But as DeeJay begins, his paintings bring him more than he bargained for, revealing to him the struggles of his mother, his cousin Mae, what his true heritage is, and healing of the old wounds that have haunted DeeJay's family for quite some time.

At the college, students in the Kababayan Program and Filipino Student Union, along with advisors Liza Erpelo, Melanie Espinueva, Marisa Mariano, and Nate Nevado and counseling intern Kent Gomez, have been hosting events and fundraisers to help pay for the costs and expenses of the production. Proceeds from this year's PCN will benefit future productions and go toward scholarships for the students in the Kababayan Program and Filipino Student Union.



For tickets, contact Francis Reyes at:
aveitsfranchise@yahoo.com
or kababayanprogram@yahoo.com.

STUDENT NIGHT

Thursday April 29, 2010:
\$5 presale/\$7 at the door.

GALA NIGHT

Saturday, May 1, 2010:
\$10 presale/\$12 at the door.

For more information,
please visit
<http://www.smccd.edu/accounts/skypcn/>

Journalism students bring home honors

Skyline College journalism students attended the Journalism Association of Community Colleges (JACC) State Convention at the Wilshire Grand Hotel in Los Angeles from April 8-11. Their successes included the following: Skyline View editor in chief Helen Tran and chief copy editor Antoinette Estigoy both won JACC scholarships; senior staff writer Jay Johnson won honorable mention for a news photo he took during the Skyline shooting; and staff got honorable mention for their editorials and a meritorious award for online photo essay. In the on-the-spot competitions that took place at the convention, online editor Stephen Benoit garnered an honorable mention for opinion writing and Helen Tran earned an honorable mention in broadcast news writing and a second place in copy editing. Helen also won the Twitter contest for best tweets during the convention; you can follow hers and other Skyline View tweets at theskylineview (on Twitter). Finally, Helen was elected NorCal student president (with outgoing student president, Antwan Stanberry, being a former Skyline student) and advisor Nancy Kaplan-Biegel became the regional vice president for the organization. In the first photo, Antoinette Estigoy (left) and Helen Tran show off their scholarship checks; then the twelve Skyline College Journalism students who

attended the conference smile for the camera; and finally we see former Skyline student Antwan Stanberry and current Skyline View editor in chief Helen Tran who are outgoing and incoming JACC NorCal student presidents, respectively.



Children's Center kids get into literature...

...thanks to our Library faculty and staff. Here is a photo from their April 14 Story Hour.



Ceramics students to participate in the 2010 California Clay Conference

Skyline students will participate for the second time in the annual California Clay Conference next weekend April 30th - May 2nd in Davis. Skyline ceramics instructor Tiffany Schmierer is organizing the Skyline show. Skyline will be 1 of 50 Colleges participating. The conference is hosted by the John Natsoulas Center for the Arts and features professional ceramic demonstrations, lectures, and exhibitions. Skyline participation in the conference is co-sponsored by the Skyline Ceramics Club and Associated Students of Skyline College. Student images (from left to right) include: Linda Fahey, Victoria Vargas, Matt Brown, Celso Cabauatan, Jeff Richards, Sheila Loggan, Ramses De Guzman, Ingrid Dela Rosa, Zan Truman, Kay Guralnick, Jennifer Christiansen, Barbara Frauman, Stephanie Clemons, Mehran Ghaffari, and Ryann Murrin-DeSouza.



Co-sponsored by Associated Students of Skyline College (ASSC) and Skyline Ceramics Club

The spring Student Art Exhibit is open!

Just to whet your appetite, here is a peek. Sadly, I missed the Opening Reception last night, but here are the Gallery hours:

Gallery Hours: M, T, Th 2-7, W 6-9, Sat. 11-3 and by appointment.

For more details check the Gallery website at <http://www.smccd.net/accounts/skygallery/>.



And one more celebration of our 40th Anniversary coming up on May 6



Photo of newly landscaped Quad

40th Anniversary Celebration

“Taste of Skyline”

Hosted by the President's Council

May 6, 2010

2:30-4:30pm

Main Quad

(by Student & Community Center)

- Enjoy Food Tasting in the Quad
- Celebrate the Automotive Technology Building Ribbon Cutting
 - View Art on Campus
- Experience Dance and Athletics in the Gym
- Visit the Student Art Exhibit in the Gallery



Coming up...

Friday, April 23

- Student Art Exhibition, Gallery (through May 13)

Saturday, April 24

- Baseball - Skyline vs. Gavilan (Gilroy), 12pm
- Certification Review for Surgical Technologies, (through May 18)

Tuesday, April 27

- Baseball - Skyline vs. Cabrillo, 2pm

Thursday, April 29

- Baseball - Skyline vs. Cañada (Redwood City), 2pm
- Women's Badminton - Skyline vs. CCSF (San Francisco), 3pm
- Pilipino Cultural Night – State of the Art, Theater, 7pm
- Last day to withdraw from semester classes

Do you have a suggestion?

One way to submit it is through our general **e-Suggestion Box**, via the hyperlink in the box below, or via the same box on the front page of our website at

<http://www.skylinecollege.edu/general/surveys/index.html>



Here is the **Website Redesign Project e-Suggestion Box**, for feedback on the new website,



For suggestions specific to the **budget**, here is the link:



For state level information on community colleges, see these websites:

- The Chancellor's Office in Sacramento: <http://www.cccco.edu/>
- The Community College League of California: <http://www.ccleague.org/>
- The Research and Planning Group: <http://www.rpgroup.org/>

Skyline Shines is archived at <http://www.skylinecollege.edu/facstaff/PresidentsOffice/skyshines/>

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