

NEWSLETTER FOR THE LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE

CAMPUS COMMUNITY

NOVEMBER 2022



In this issue:

LATINX HERITAGE MONTH & FILIPINO AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH
TRANSFORMATIONAL GHANA TRIP
DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS CELEBRATIONS

...and more!



LONG BEACH
CITY COLLEGE



A Message from the

SUPERINTENDENT-PRESIDENT

Dear Friends of Long Beach City College,

I am happy to report that the award-winning Long Beach City College Campus Community magazine is BACK! Turns out that people really enjoyed reading about all of our accomplishments, updates and news, not to mention seeing all of the photos that give our Communities a glimpse into our vibrant Campus Life.

So, here we are with a November issue that will provide information on our LBCC Foundation, some recent awards received such as a great honor from the International City Theatre, new partnerships formed and the latest efforts being made to help our most vulnerable, unhoused students.

LBCC is currently working hand-in-hand with an array of partners. We're teaming up with groups like the Boys & Girls Club of Long Beach to provide youth after-school care so our student parents can attend evening classes.

We continued our partnership with the LA County Registrar serving as an early voting center for our neighbors and campus community. And so many more organizations and businesses within Lakewood, Long Beach, Signal Hill and Catalina Island have turned to us when they need to use our state-of-the-art facilities.

We have hosted many important events recently. We were honored to host Celebrations of Life for two very special faculty members – a true driving force for LBCC, Dr. Wendy Koenig, and retired faculty and alumna, Janice Quinn Weyant. We also welcomed Governor Gavin Newsom, Senator Alex Padilla, Congressman Alan Lowenthal and a slew of state and local elected officials at a rally hosted at LBCC. It is a reminder to me that we are even more than a great educational institution, we are a mainstay in the community.

A reminder of home with a welcome, open door to our communities.

It's a successful relationship that I only hope we continue to build upon with the support of our communities' representatives – the Long Beach Community College District's Board of Trustees. They too join us as we are out in force attending events to support the community.

Please encourage your family, your neighbors and friends to come to campus for our performances, athletics, fundraisers, workshops and outreach events. LBCC is YOUR community college.

Dr. Mike Muñoz

SECTIONS



ON THE COVER:

Dr. Sonia De La Torre-Iniguez, LBCC Dean of Student Equity (left) with Amber Orosco (right) at the Inaugural Grand Día De Los Muertos Parade.

Deploy the Arts presents

BRINGING IT HOME

A Play Directed by
Dr. Gregory Mortensen

Dec. 1–4, 2022

Thurs. Dec. 1 @ 7:30 || Fri. Dec. 2 @ 7:30
Sat. Dec. 3 @ 2:00 & 7:30 || Sun. Dec. 4 @ 2:00
LBCC Campus Auditorium
(Building J)
4901 East Carson Street
Long Beach, CA 90808



Scan Here
To Purchase Tickets Online
<https://ci.ovationtix.com/34257/production/1142192>

Tickets:

- \$15 General Admission · \$10 Seniors/Staff/Students
- FREE to LBCC Students (with Valid ASB Card)



If you require accommodations, please contact Disabled Students Programs & Services (DSPS) at least 72 hours prior to the event at (562) 938-4558 or (562) 938-4833 (TTY) or dsps-staff@LBCC.edu. If you require sign language interpreting services, please contact Stephanie Bonales at sbonales@LBCC.edu or (562) 938-4918. If you require Communication Access Realtime Translation (CART) services, please contact Sunita Shelly: sshelly@LBCC.edu / 562.938.4947 or Sonia Leticia Vélez: svelez@LBCC.edu at least 5 business days prior to the event. Please note requests are based on provider availability.

For more information, visit: LBCC.edu/PerformingArts

LongBeachCityCollegePerformingArtsDepartment



Be Social with us!

Celebrating FILIPINO AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

Long Beach City College recognized October as Filipino American History Month with a kick-off event at the Liberal Arts Campus – a first for LBCC. The month's activities also included a movie screening, a Filipinx Meet and Greet, and a "Queer x Filipinx" open mic event.



SCAN
HERE

2022 Filipino American
History Month at LBCC

[www.youtube.com/
watch?v=2tmiQFTcYAM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2tmiQFTcYAM)

From top, clockwise:
Dr. Nohel Corral, Dr. Eric Becerra,
Angeli Francois, Board of Trustees
President Uduak-Joe Ntuk, Justice
Ntuk, Dr. Mike Muñoz, Judy
Quilaton, Ruben Page, Board of
Trustees Vice President Herlinda
Chico, Mary Elizabeth Hiroshimo,
and Angelique Cheung.

LBCC staff Kim Casuga, Stacey Toda,
Mia Tabayoyong representing APIDA.

Jonathan Tejada and Kristina
Tejada enjoying FAHM.

LABOR CENTER'S UNION MEET & GREET PANEL

The Labor Center held a Union Meet and Greet in September. Students, employees and our Trustees heard from a number of union representatives about potential career paths. A networking opportunity followed the panel discussion.



From left to right: Board of Trustees Member Dr. Virginia Baxter, Student Trustee Alex Hernandez, Board of Trustees Vice President Chico, Dr. Frank Perez, Board of Trustees Member Vivian Malauulu, Board of Trustees Member Sunny Zia, Dr. Muñoz with the Labor Center Meet and Greet panelist.

INTERNATIONAL CITY THEATRE Recognized LBCC

Long Beach City College was honored to receive the International City Theatre's James Ackerman Crystal Arts and Humanitarian Award on Oct. 12 for the College's contribution to both the community and the arts.



Shashin Desai (left) and Caryn Desai (right) present Dr. Muñoz with the ICT James Ackerman Crystal Arts and Humanitarian Award.



HOMECOMING 2022

Students and employees flocked to Veterans Stadium for Homecoming 2022 on Oct. 1. Special thank you to Student Affairs for organizing the tailgate party and halftime program for our campus community. Great effort by LBCC's Viking football team!



SCAN HERE

to watch highlights from the Homecoming festivities

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CgtXoHcJzVA>



To the right: 2022 LBCC Homecoming Royalty Ina-Marie Timbo and escort



FIRST ANNUAL CLASH OF THE PRESIDENTS

VS. EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE

A large number of Vikings traveled the 710 freeway on Oct. 12 to East Los Angeles College. More than 50 LBCC students, employees, family and friends cheered on Viking football team. The Vikings lost 20-14, but there was more at stake than just a football game. With the Vikings loss, this means that Long Beach

Community College District Superintendent Dr. Mike Muñoz's side agreement with ELAC's President Alberto Román will need to be fulfilled. Dr. Muñoz will be wearing the ELAC jersey at LBCC in the near future. Great game by both teams and LBCC is looking forward to redemption next year!



Dr. Muñoz with LBCC ESports Team

BRAND NEW LBCC ESPORTS TEAM BEAT CSUDH



ESport supporters watching the match

Long Beach City College held our very first watch party for the new Esports team on Oct. 17. More than 70 people watched in-person in the Kinesiology Labs and Aquatic Center's multi-purpose room as the brand-new team beat the undefeated CSUDH's Toros. Hundreds of people also watched the action as it livestreamed on LBCC's Twitch channel. The new Esports program launched in September.

SCAN HERE
to watch highlights from the
LatinX Heritage Month
Kick-off event!
www.youtube.com/watch?v=BecO9hu-QcY



LATINX HERITAGE MONTH 2022



Long Beach City College celebrated LatinX Heritage Month Sept. 15 – Oct. 15 with a kick-off event at the Liberal Arts Campus. The entire month was full of events including a poetry reading, Mexican bingo, film screening, LatinX Karaoke Night, panel discussions and a street market.

Images from top left, clockwise:
Dr. Tracy Carmichael, Yvonne Guitierrez, Javier Villasenor, Board of Trustees President Ntuk, Dr. Nohel Corral, Dr. Eric Becerra, and Virginia Carmelo.

Student Trustee Alex Hernandez and BOT Member Malauulu Board of Trustees President Ntuk
Dancer from the LatinX Heritage Month kick-off
Dr. Eric Becerra

Background image: The LatinX Heritage Month kicked off with a celebration at the Liberal Arts Campus.

Long Beach City College
Department of Performing Arts
Proudly Presents:

Carols by Candlelight

Featuring Benjamin Britten's
Ceremony of Carols

With:

The Long Beach City College

- Viking Singers • A Cappella Madrigal Choir •
- Viking Chorale • Vocal Soloists •

Directed by

- Skye Angulo •
- Ellie Choate, *Harp* •
- Hannah Yi, *Piano* •

Saturday, December 10 at 7:00 PM

LBCC Campus Auditorium (Building J)

4901 East Carson Street Long Beach, CA 90808



Scan Here
To Purchase
Tickets Online

<https://ci.ovationtix.com/34257/production/1139885>

Tickets:

- \$15 General Admission
- \$10 Seniors/Staff/Students
- FREE to LBCC Students
(with Valid ASB Card)

For more information, contact:

Skye Angulo
(562) 938-4495
sangulo@LBCC.edu

www.LBCC.edu/PerformingArts

LongBeachCityCollegePerformingArtsDepartment
LongBeachCityCollegeChorales

LBCCMusic

LBCCPerformingArts



If you require accommodations, please contact Disabled Students Programs & Services (DSPS) at least 72 hours prior to the event at (562) 938-4558 or (562) 938-4833 (TTY) or dsps-staff@LBCC.edu. If you require sign language interpreting services, please contact Stephanie Bonales at sbonales@LBCC.edu or (562) 938-4918.

If you require Communication Access Realtime Translation (CART) services, please contact Sunita Shelly: sshelly@LBCC.edu / (562) 938-4947 or Sonia Leticia Vélez: svelez@LBCC.edu at least 5 business days prior to the event. Please note requests are based on provider availability.

LONG BEACH
CITY COLLEGE &
RAISE THE BARR

ANNOUNCE INNOVATIVE PARTNERSHIP TO SUPPORT SINGLE-PARENT STUDENTS



Raise The Barr (RTB) and Long Beach City College (LBCC) announced an innovative partnership to launch a pilot program that will coordinate care and housing for low-income single-parent students and their children. This is the first time the two organizations have partnered together with the goal of improving academic outcomes with a program that focuses on LBCC single-parent students and their families.

Twelve students will be selected by LBCC to participate in this one-year pilot program. Long Beach City College's CARE, CalWORKs and Basic Needs staff will work closely with RTB's Whole Family Program Coordinators to provide wrap-around academic, mental health services and other basic needs to LBCC's single-parent students and their families, including:

- Subsidized housing
- Childcare
- Financial literacy and career development workshops held at LBCC

Through this collaboration, the initial cohort of LBCC's single-parent students will gain access to Raise The Barr's whole-family model designed to help single parents persist in college by intentionally and simultaneously working with both generations. Raise The Barr's support will include activities focused on peer-to-peer support, mental health and wellness, healthy relationships, job training and career development, and financial empowerment with an emphasis on reducing financial burden, stabilizing expenses, and building wealth.

Nationally, it is estimated that one out of five undergraduate students is a parent, with about half of them single parents. Student parents are more likely to identify with one or more marginalized communities; they are more likely to be first-generation students, identify as women and BIPOC, and live at or below the poverty line. Students who are single parents are much less likely to graduate than other undergraduate students. They also graduate with more student debt. Promoting college success among single-parent students is critical to improving racial, ethnic, and gender equity in higher education access.

LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE EARNS

2022 EQUITY CHAMPION OF HIGHER EDUCATION AWARD

The Campaign for College Opportunity announced that Long Beach City College (LBCC) has captured the 2022 Equity Champion of Higher Education award for its accomplishments in supporting Black and Latinx student transfer efforts.

The College was officially recognized at the Campaign for College Opportunity's virtual event, the 2022 Champions of Higher Education Celebration, on Tues., Nov. 1, 2022.

With the passage of SB 1440 (Padilla) in 2010, the California Community Colleges have awarded more than 360,000 Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT), with LBCC always a top-conferring institution since then.

For university transfer, the rates for Black/African American students have increased by 54 percent, and ADT completion rates increased by 117% in the past five years. During the same time frame, Latinx student transfers increased by 23 percent and ADT completion increased by 26%.

Associate Degrees for Transfer provides a number of benefits for LBCC students planning to transfer to the Cal State University (CSU) system, such as:

- Guaranteed admission into a university within the CSU system with a "similar" major (no guarantee to a specific campus)
- Earn an Associate Degree for completing transfer requirements
- Grants priority consideration when applying to impacted majors and/or campuses
- Guarantees a 60 (LBCC) 60 (CSU) unit pathway to CSU graduation
- Those who earn the ADT, transfer to the CSU with junior status
- ADT degree holders from LBCC earn their Bachelor's Degrees nearly twice as fast from CSUs

This is the fifth time out of six years that the Campaign for College Opportunity has recognized LBCC for their transfer efforts.

The Campaign for College Opportunity, since 2002, has worked for policy reforms and advocacy, partnerships and public awareness to help more students complete their college education.

VIEW US IN ACTION!

WATCH THIS MONTH'S VIDEOS



LBCC Career Education-Film



LBCC Career Education-Spatial Design



LGBTQ+ Inclusivity is Strong at LBCC



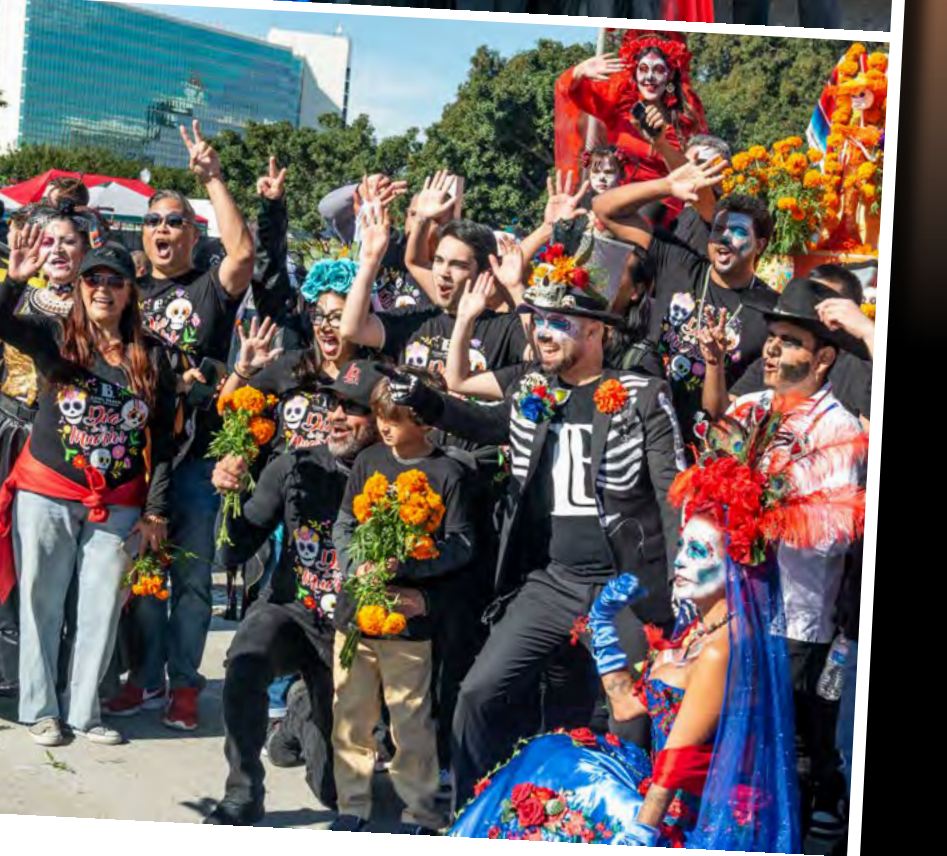
Native American Heritage Month



SUBSCRIBE
FOR MORE VIDEOS



Día de los Muertos Procession.



DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS CELEBRATIONS

Long Beach City College celebrated Día De Los Muertos both on and off campus this year.

On November 1, LBCC hosted an event at the Liberal Arts Campus starting with a family movie night and ending with a Día De Los Muertos procession to the E Building. Student organizations including SIEMBRA, Aspire, and Puente Club, invited LBCC departments to create altars in memory of loved ones to be part of the event.

A few days later, Long Beach City College joined the first annual Grand Día De Los Muertos Parade in Downtown Long Beach. Dozens of LBCC students and employees wearing regalia and La Calavera make-up walked in the mile-long parade. The LBCC Outreach Team also participated in the Arte y Ofrendas festival at the Rainbow Lagoon Park that took place after the parade.

Día de los Muertos Parade



LBCC Alum Receives 2022 NASPA REGION VI RISING STAR AWARD

Congratulations to LBCC Alumni Robert Robles for being selected as this year's recipient of the NASPA Region VI Rising Star Award. NASPA is an international organization for student affairs administrators in higher education. This award is presented to an undergraduate student for their academic achievement, involvement, and potential in the student affairs profession.

He is so thankful to share this award with his LBCC mentors Dr. Mike Muñoz, Philip Huerta, Esteban Alfaro, Jose Ibarra, Eric Becerra and all those in the First Year Experience Center, as well as his current CSULB family.



Top image, left to right: Esteban Alfaro, Jose Ibarra, Dr. Eric Becerra, Robert Robles, Karent Rodriguez, and Javier Villaseñor.



HALLOWEEN

Halloween made its spooky and fun return to Long Beach City College at both campuses this year.

At the Liberal Arts Campus, the Classified Senate and Dr. Muñoz hosted a Halloween Costume Contest, with

winners receiving gift certificates to have lunch at the LBCC Bistro. The Vikings Activities Council and Dr. Alisia Kirkwood, Pacific Coast Campus Associate Vice President, organized the "Boo Bash at PCC" for the campus community with treats, music and games.

GHANA

TRANSFORMS LBCC TEAM



Diaspora (/daɪˈæspərə/ dye-AS-pər-ə) is a population that is scattered across regions which are separate from its geographic place of origin

Eight Long Beach City College representatives recently traveled to Ghana for the All-African Diaspora Education Summit. The Long Beach City College “Ghana One” contingent consisted of former Student Trustee Richard Blackmon, Dr. Lee Douglas, Angela Fowlkes, Dr. Erainia Freeman, Dr. Jerome Hunt, Dr. Alisia Kirkwood, Chrishaad Moye, and Chanae Wami who each found the experience to be a transformational return to Mother Africa.

“The term ‘there is no place like home’ hit different once the LBCC contingent arrived in Ghana to hear ‘Welcome Home,’” said Vice President Douglas.

The Summit’s purpose was to engage, inspire, and empower those working to positively impact the lives of Black people of the Diaspora through education,

beginning with the identification of racist policies, curricula, instructional practices, and anti-Blackness.

As Ghana One’s Executive Summary states, “Traveling to Ghana was a life-changing experience for us all. We had days filled with deep, meaningful conversations, a strong connection to our ancestral history, joy, laughter, long bus rides, delayed schedules, health challenges, canceled flights, and travel fatigue. However, we did it together! Our motto for the trip was ‘no person left behind,’ as we cared and looked out for each other during the experience. The Ghana One group has forged personal and professional bonds with one another and our brothers and sisters across the Diaspora that can never break. We will never be the same again, personally or professionally, after our experience in Ghana.”

Pacific Coast Campus’ Interim Associate Vice President Kirkwood quoted Marcus Garvey by saying, “A people without knowledge of their past history, origin and culture is like a tree without roots,” in relation to the importance of learning all that their ancestors had experienced in Africa.

During their trip, the group took the “Cape Coast Dungeon Tour” and walked over “petrified DNA” of those who were treated heinously waiting for slave trade ships to take them to the middle passage of the Atlantic Ocean.

“It was sickening, restorative, enlightening, empowering, humbling, and unifying - each of us were inspired by resilience knowing our ancestors had the determination to survive,” said Kirkwood.

Ghana One will next consider a plan of action to continue addressing the rights and needs of LBCC’s Black community. Preliminary ideas include:

- Study Abroad Program in Ghana
- Faculty exchange program with the University of Cape Coast in Ghana
- Sponsor a Ghanaian school
- Sponsor a Ghanaian college student(s)
- LBCC reads and strategizes for implementation at the department level of at least one book related to African-centered education

Background image: Arriving from Long Beach City College is “Ghana 1,” the delegation of Dr. Lee Douglas, Richard Blackmon, Dr. Erainia Freeman, Dr. Jerome Hunt, Dr. Alisia Kirkwood, Chrishaad Moye, Angela Fowlkes, and Chanae Wami.

Dr. Muñoz Receives

Local NAACP Award



Congratulations to Superintendent-President Dr. Mike Muñoz for receiving the Education Award from the Long Beach Branch of the NAACP.

Left to right: Dr. Elijah Sims, Dr. Tracy Carmichael, Board of Trustees Vice President Chico, Dr. Muñoz, Board of Trustees Member Malauulu, Kal Stewart, and Board of Trustees President Ntuk.



IN MEMORY OF

Dr. Wendy Koenig

June 21, 1966 - October 10, 2022

English, Journalism and Music to RECEIVE GENEROUS GIFT FROM PAUL AND MARGERY CRAVEN

More than \$210,000 will be divided between the three departments

The Long Beach City College Foundation has received a bequest from the estate of Paul and Margery Craven. The departments of English, Journalism, and Music will all receive more than \$70,000 each from this generous gift.

"These departments will be thrilled to hear this news," smiled Letty Totah, LBCC Foundation Assistant.

Paul "Dick" Craven attended LBCC and was a Viking Award Winner in 1946. During this time, he became the editor of the Viking newspaper and worked on the Saga yearbook (Saga). After LBCC, Paul attended University of Oklahoma. But he transferred to become one of the first students to enroll at CSU Long Beach in 1949 and later graduated from CSULB. He was one of the first students enrolled there in 1949. After receiving his teaching credential in English and Journalism, he taught at Poly High School in Long Beach for several years. He then received his Masters from CSULB in 1957 and spent the next 33 years teaching Journalism and English at Long Beach City College. While helping with the yearbook and school newspaper, Paul also worked the press box at football games and staffed the door of the home basketball games. He continued to volunteer at LBCC after he retired, working with Trustee Dr. Virginia Baxter on many committees including the 75th and 80th school anniversary celebrations.

Margery, who passed in 2006, attended LBCC and then went on to UCLA. Once Margery and Paul married, she embraced the role of being a stay-at-home mom. While raising their children, Margery found time to support LBCC in many ways, including being involved in the group called Faculty Wives, which helped raise funds for student scholarships. She served as president for several years, as well as many other positions. Margery embraced Paul's love for LBCC.

"Recognizing my parents is a tribute that both my mother and father would treasure," said daughter Brook Craven Nesbit.

"Long Beach City College and the Long Beach City College Foundation have been blessed with an amazing history of dedicated faculty members who also volunteered their time to support the students," said LBCC Foundation CEO Paul Kaminski. "We are grateful for the Cravens' generosity!"



If you would like more information on how you, too, can leave a Legacy, please visit: <https://lbcclegacy.org/> or contact Paul Kaminski at pkaminski@LBCC.edu

Top: Paul & Margery Craven at their wedding

Bottom: Paul Craven



Above: Special Olympics Southern California Ivan Parrott & Dr. Muñoz.

SCAN HERE to support our student-athletes



LBCC.prestosports.com/support/Donors

LBCC Athletics Partners with SPECIAL OLYMPICS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Long Beach City College Athletics announced a new partnership with Special Olympics Southern California (SOSC). Starting in February 2023, Special Olympics will be using LBCC's new Kinesiology Labs and Aquatic Center (KLAC) as their new home of SOSC's aquatics program.

The new partnership was initiated by SOSC athlete, Ivan Parrott. The SOSC aquatic program trained at a local high school. However, due to renovations, the team needed to find a new home.

Ivan reached out to Gina Mascaro, Director of Athletic Fundraising and Development with the Long Beach City College Foundation, and discussed SOSC's need for a place

to train. Gina connected SOSC with the LBCC Athletics program and a new partnership was created. SOSC's access to KLAC also means that SOSC athletes will have access to LBCC's volleyball courts, soccer fields and track.

Long Beach City College welcomes the Special Olympics Southern California and is committed to providing equitable student learning and community benefits by supporting programs and support services to our diverse communities.

For more information regarding LBCC Athletics please contact Gina Mascaro, gmascaro@LBCC.edu.

THREE INDUCTED INTO THE 2022 HALL OF FAME



The Long Beach City College Foundation added three more alumni at this year's Hall of Fame. They are Dr. Ardel Avelino, Amy Valenzuela-Mier and Dr. Blas Villalobos.

And for the first time, the Foundation also honored

individuals and organizations with the Distinguished Service Awards: the Mayor of Long Beach, Dr. Robert Garcia; the Rotary Club of Long Beach and the Long Beach Rotary Scholarship Foundation; and LBCC Dean Randy Totorp.

SCAN HERE to watch highlights from the 2022 LBCC Hall of Fame



www.youtube.com/watch?v=cx4PrUUBoLU

Left to right: Dr. Ardel Avelino, Amy Valenzuela-Mier, Dr. Blas Villalobos, Mayor Robert Garcia, Dr. Mike Muñoz, Randy Totorp

LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE CAMPUS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Dr. Tracy Carmichael

Interim Chief Innovation Officer

Stacey Toda

Associate Director
Communications &
Community Engagement

Camille Bolton

Public Relations Coordinator

Andrew Boquiren

Graphic Designer

Brad Carihfield

Media Producer

Sean Cully

Outreach Assistant

Samantha Cruz

LTE Outreach Assistant

Iris Dineen

Web Content &
Electronic Media Coordinator

Sean Fujiwara

LTE Media Producer

Jill Jamias

Administrative Assistant

Gabriela Ochoa

Media Producer

Jerome Thomas

Media Producer

Luis Zavala

LTE Graphic Designer

UPCOMING EVENTS DECEMBER

Dec. 1–Dec. 4

Deploy the Arts Production

7:30 p.m. - Dec. 1–3

2:00 p.m. - Dec. 3–4

Auditorium, Liberal Arts Campus

Dec. 9

Vocal Jazz Concert

7 p.m.

Auditorium, Liberal Arts Campus

Dec. 10

Carols by Candlelight

7 p.m.

Auditorium, Liberal Arts Campus

Dec. 11

Band Concert

2 p.m.

Auditorium, Liberal Arts Campus

Dec. 16

Winter Orchestra Concert

7 p.m.

Auditorium, Liberal Arts Campus

Dec. 18–Jan. 2

December Holiday Closure

*For more events and information,
visit LBCC.edu/calendar.*

Be Social with LBCC!

Connect with Long Beach City College and check out our latest videos, campus activities and upcoming events on our social media platforms!



LongBeachCityCollege



LBCityCollege



@LBCityCollege



@LBCityCollege