# Orange Coast College UPDATE

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#### 'Solo Squadron' Lands at Doyle Arts Pavilion

The College's Frank M. Doyle Arts Pavilion and artist Kiel Johnson have come together to bring a grand scale art project titled "Solo Squadron" to Coast. Johnson collaborated with nearly 300 art students from OCC and Irvine Valley College to create a 20-foot crop duster airplane using cardboard, paint and paper.

Johnson — whose work is part of the "Big Idea" exhibit currently on display at the Doyle Arts Pavilion — is based in Los Angeles and has built a reputation for utilizing cardboard to pay homage to objects from a bygone era, including Polaroid cameras, musical instruments and covered wagons. Johnson has been creating large-scale collaborative projects with institutions around the world, tailoring the art produced to the history of each location. OCC's airplane is meant to be a nod to Orange County's agricultural roots, and will be part of a featured artist exhibit at the Orange County Fair in 2017.

"This is by far the largest collaborative art project we have created with our students," said OCC's gallery director Steve Radosevich. "The creativity and craftsmanship of hundreds of artists combined with the vision and leadership of Kiel Johnson has produced a provocative sculpture on a grand scale."

Over a two-week period, advanced OCC sculpture students created a steel and wood armature for the airplane, while art students from various classes designed and built the details out of cardboard. "The cardboard gave a freedom to students because it's not precious, so they were encouraged to be playful, and really creative things happen when you are playful," Kim Garrison, curator of the Arts Pavilion said. "As they were building the plane, a story began to emerge about who the pilot was. That was probably the most interesting part of the process."

OCC's art department also teamed up with the College's film program to create a documentary about the making of the plane, including its "crash landing" at the Arts Pavilion. The documentary was shown at a free reception on Oct. 27 at the gallery to celebrate the completion of the project.

Solo Squadron will be on display until Dec. 3. The Doyle Arts Pavilion is open from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, and from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Wednesdays. For more information visit www.orangecoastcollege. edu/artspavilion

# Calendar

- Nov. 4 Women's Volleyball vs. Riverside
  Peterson Gymnasium, 6 p.m.
- Nov. 5 Football vs.
  Fullerton
  Dick Tucker Field, 1 p.m.
- Nov. 5 Hazardous Waste Collection
  Parking Lot C, 10 a.m. until
- Nov. 10 CLEEO Summit
  Student Center Lounge, 11 a.m.
  until 1p.m.
- Nov. 10 Women's Soccer vs. Golden West Soccer Field, 3 p.m.
- Nov. 11 Men's Basketball vs. Miramar Peterson Gymnasium, 5 p.m.
- Nov. 11-13 Good Person of Setzuan
  Drama Lab Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
- Nov 15 Multicultural Center
- Open House
  Global Engagement Center,
  Noon until 5 p.m.
- Nov. 18 & 19 Good Person of Setzuan
  Drama Lab Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
- Nov. 19 Fall Choral Vocal Showcase Robert B. Moore Theatre,
- 7:30 p.m. **Nov. 20 Good Person of**

Setzuan

Drama Lab Theatre, 2:30 p.m.

# OCC Theatre's 'Good Person of Setzuan' Ponders a More Equitable Society

Orange Coast College's Theatre department will present an adaptation of Bert Brecht's "The Good Person of Setzuan" on Nov 11-13 and 18-20 as part of the recently launched OCC Theatre for Social Justice series.

The performances will take place in the Drama Lab Theatre at 7:30 p.m., with a matinee performance in lieu of an evening performance at 2:30 on Nov. 20.



OCC's production is based on an adaptation of the original play by Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Tony Kushner, and tells the story of a young prostitute who is determined to lead a good and moral life, in spite of an economic boon that leads to hard choices.

"This fable-like story forces the audience to ponder a more equitable society," says director and theatre instructor Tom Bruno. "The main character is torn



between obligations and reality, between love and practicality, and between her needs and those of her neighbors and friends. This classic and timeless play explores the impossibility of being good in a corrupt world."

Director Bruno encourages faculty to invite their students to attend the play for extra credit, and is available to speak informally to classes about the play, the playwright, or OCC's production.

Tickets for "The Good Person of Setzuan" run \$7 in advance and \$9 at the door (\$5/\$7 for students, seniors and children). For advance tickets visit www.occtickets.com or call (714) 432-5880.

# Joe Stead Shares Story Behind Succulent Garden on Campus

OCC Horticulture instructor Joe Stead wrote an article for a recent issue of the Cactus and Succulent Journal that detailed the story behind the succulent garden located outside of the College's Chemistry building.

The garden was incorporated into Stead's "Cactus, Succulents and their use in Landscape" class, with each student give the design project as their final exam. With the support of the College Facilities Committee,



the class installed the garden and hardscape in January 2012. According to the article: "Currently there are 35 genera comprising approximately 60 species represented in the garden. Instructors and students utilize the garden for classes

in plant identification and landscape design. The plant Biology class uses the garden as a living laboratory for an example of parallel evolution."

Many of the features of the garden were donated to the school, including giant petrified logs donated by the family of a horticulture student that is estimated to be between 205 and 235 million years old.

# CLEEO Summit Will Promote Latino Success in Higher Ed

CC's Student Equity program and Associate Professor of Counseling Eric Cuellar will host the CLEEO Summit on Nov. 10 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the Student Center Lounge. The event — which stands for Counseling Latinos for Equity and Engagement — promotes access and success in higher education for students of Latino descent.

Students who attend will have a chance to work on developing an educational pathway that emphasizes skill development toward degree attainment from associates and bachelors degrees, and beyond toward a post-graduate education.

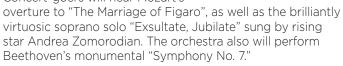
A lecture will be given by Dr. Marcelo Suarez-Orozco, Wasserman Dean at the Graduate School of Education and Information Systems at University of California, Los Angeles. Dr. Suarez-Orozco's lecture will focus on globalization, immigration and education.

Faculty and staff are invited to attend the Summit, and lunch will be provided. For more information contact Cuellar at ecuellar@occ.cccd.edu

#### From Vienna, With Love! Set for Nov. 12

The OCC Symphony will host an evening of Viennese splendor, performing music by Mozart and Beethoven on Saturday, Nov. 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Robert B. Moore Theatre.

Concert-goers will hear Mozart's



Soloist Zomorodian hails from Seattle, and has traveled all over the world to perform and study. She currently sings with the L.A. Master Chorale, Bach Collegium San Diego, The John Alexander Singers, Golden Bridge Consort, Pacific Chorale, The Choir of St. James', De Angelis Vocal Ensemble, and more.

Tickets for the symphony run \$15 for the general public - \$10 for students - and are available on www.occtickets.com or at the door.

#### Board Trustee Patterson to Participate in Post-Watergate Retrospective Interview

Coast Community College Trustee, the Honorable Jerry Patterson, will participate in a retrospective on the congressional class of 1974, of which he was a member, on Thursday, Nov. 17 from 1-4:30 p.m. in Chemistry Lecture Room 214.

The interview is part of a Communications Studies course taught by instructor Ben Lohman, and will look at the members of congress who were elected in the wake of Watergate in 1974. Trustee Patterson was elected to the United States Congress in 1974, where he represented a congressional district in Orange County. He served as a member of Congress for 10 years.

#### OCC Athletics Hall of Fame Honors Five Individuals, One Team

The College inducted four former athletes and longtime crew and sailing coach and Coast Community College Board President David Grant into the Athletics Hall of Fame on Friday, Oct. 28. The entire 1968 Men's Crew Varsity Eight team also was inducted into the Hall of Fame in honor of a memorable season in which they were undefeated Western Sprints Champions and silver medalists at the IRA National Championships.

Trustee Grant was honored for his contributions to OCC's crew and sailing programs, which he began coaching in 1962. Grant helped to turn the struggling programs into a national rowing powerhouse with a reputation for winning against some of the country's top four-year programs.

The four former athletes who were honored are: Jack Clark, Football (1974-76); Andy Strouse, Soccer (1989-91); Michael Reehl, Golf ((1969-70); and Robyn Tomlinson, Gymnastics (1978-80).

The Men's Crew Varsity Eight team members honored are: Jay Amestoy, Ron Lindsey, Phil Peterson, Cary Simonds, Jon Baie, Dave Halliday, Geof Strand, Jim Jorgensen and Al Pierce



# Speech & Debate Team Starts Season Strong

OCC's Speech, Debate, and Theater Team were awarded top honors as they faced two- and four-year college competitors in three competitions so far this semester.

The team most recently took 2nd Place Community College Sweepstakes at the Jannese Davidson Tournament at Concordia University, Irvine. The previous tournament was the Aztec Invitational at San Diego State University, where OCC competed against colleges from Alaska to Colorado to Arizona, beating competitors from the Air Force Academy to USC.

And finally, the season opened with the OCC Novice Debate Tournament at El Camino College in Torrance, where the team of Stevie Vu and Mike Davis won an award of Excellence.

"The team is starting to find its power," says Director of Forensics Courtney Anderson. "We are proud of the start to the year and we're looking forward to developing another incredible team that will represent the pride of OCC."

#### Shannon Quihuiz Joins OCC as Dean of Title IX & Student Relations

OCC has selected Shannon Quihuiz as Associate Dean, Title IX & Student Relations, effective Oct. 10.

Quihuiz previously served as Director of Student Conduct and Ethical Development and Deputy Title IX Coordinator at San Jose State University, where she oversaw student conduct, sex and gender-based harassment and sexual misconduct (Title IX), behavioral intervention and case management, and conflict resolution.

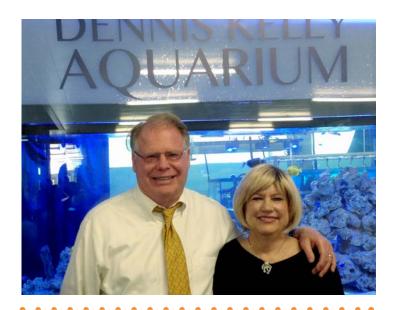


Prior to that, Quihuiz served as the Investigations Coordinator at Oregon State University where she was the primary investigator for student-to-student Title IX related complaints. Quihuiz also previously served as Coordinator for Student Affairs at the Southern California University of Health Sciences.

Quihuiz received a Master of Science in College Student Services Administration from OSU in 2011.

In her new role, Quihuiz' initial priorities include examining policies related to sexual misconduct to ensure a transparent, fair, and equitable complaint procedure administration and collaborating with campus partners to enhance education and prevention initiatives. "I am dedicated to OCC's Title IX efforts and I hope to provide the very best service for our students and campus community," she says.

Quihuiz, her partner Duane, and their two dogs, Maximus and Maia, live in Santa Ana and are excited to join Orange Coast College and the Coast Community College District.



#### Dennis Kelly Aquarium Naming Becomes Official on Oct. 21

The official dedication of the Dennis Kelly Public Aquarium Dennis on Oct. 21 capped the career of one of Orange Coast College's most highly regarded professors.

Named for the man who was hired as the first aquarium director in 1974, OCC's Dennis Kelly Aquarium boasts approximately 35 tanks and a total volume exceeding 4,000 gallons, making it the largest (and possibly only) student-run aquarium in the country.

"Dennis Kelly not only directed the aquarium for nearly 40 years, he inspired students to develop the skills to become aquarium managers," says Marine Science instructor Karen Baker. "Many of his students continued in the field as professional aquarists and marine scientists."

Over the course of his 40-year teaching career Kelly was instrumental in helping to grow and develop the place that now bears his name, leading hundreds of excursions into local waters to catch marine life. Kelly also took students to far corners of the world, including to the San Juan Islands, north of Seattle to study wild killer whales, to Antarctica for research expeditions, and to Rabbit Island in Canada for field studies.

The Aquarium recently has undergone a large expansion, including introducing a seahorse tank, a coral reef tank, freshwater planted and aquaponics systems, a "monsters" tank for large fish, and a brackish tank that mimics the environment created when river water meets seawater in estuaries.

In early October the Aquarium announced that it will open for weekly public hours and educational tours, giving the community a chance to experience firsthand the diverse marine life that OCC's marine science students are studying. During the Fall 2016 semester, public hours will take place on Wednesdays from 3:30–4:30 p.m.

The Aquarium also offers private tours for large groups. For more information contact occaquarium@occ.cccd.edu

#### Altobelli Savors Team USA Global Summer Tour

A lifetime dream was fulfilled by Orange Coast College head coach John Altobelli after joining the U.S. National Collegiate Team on a monthlong tour through Taiwan, Japan and Cuba this past July as an assistant coach for University of Oregon head coach George Horton.



"To have the opportunity to wear a Team USA baseball uniform and represent USA was a dream come true," Altobelli said. "I was never good enough as a player to be on such an elite team so to be a coach on the Collegiate National team was incredible."

The CNT, a squad comprised of collegiate freshmen and sophomores, began its global tour July 5-9 in New Taipei City, Taiwan to take on the Chinese Taipei National squad and there, Team USA split the first four games of their five-game series before the fifth contest was canceled. "To travel to Taiwan, 14 hour airplane trip was fun," Altobelli said. "It was great to experience their culture and city. We even had to deal with a typhoon, which was quite interesting."

Five days later, the squad was back on the field, taking on Team Japan for a five-game set. Japan won the first two games (2-1, 1-0) before the Americans evened the series with a pair of victories (1-0, 10-2) before falling in Game 5, 5-4. "Tokyo, Japan was crazy crowded but extremely clean," Altobelli said. "The funny thing was that I never saw a trash can. As far as baseball goes, they (Team Japan) could really pitch it."

From there, the boys returned to the airport and traveled to Cuba for a five-game series. Team USA won the series three games to two and became the first Collegiate National Team to win a series in Cuba. USA lost two of the first three games before rallying for a 4-1 win in Game 4 and a 2-1 win in the series finale.

"To me, Cuba was like being in the 1950s," Altobelli said. "They were lovely people who don't have a lot and it was amazing the way people were out at all hours. We had to deal with a couple of 10-hour bus trips and police escorts everywhere. From what I was told, this was the most brutal travel schedule the Collegiate National Team had ever experienced, but the guys never complained in spite of the crazy food, the traveling, the time zones and the extreme heat and humidity. It was really a fun group to be with."

Altobelli was the only community college coach to join Horton's coaching staff. Other assistants included former longtime Long Beach State head coach Dave Snow, Ted Silva (University of Nebraska), Jason Gill (Loyola Marymount) and Mitch Karraker (Oregon).

"It was an amazing month of July and extremely proud to represent USA," Altobelli said.