



Calendar

- **March 16 — Senior Day**
OCC Quad, 9:45 a.m. until 1 p.m.
- **March 17-19, 24 & 25 — “Our Town”**
Drama Lab Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
- **March 18 — Baseball vs. Saddleback**
Wendell Pickens Field, Noon
- **March 18 — Softball vs. Cerritos**
OCC Softball Complex, Noon
- **March 21 — Job & Internship Fair**
OCC Quad, 10 a.m. until 1 p.m.
- **March 21 — “The Evolution of Culture and Design in Japan”**
Science Hall, 6 p.m.
- **March 21 — Reception for Distinguished Scholar Minoru Yokoyama**
Doyle Arts Pavilion, 7:30 p.m.
- **March 21 & 22— Banff Film Festival**
Robert B. Moore Theatre, 7 p.m.
- **March 22 — Men’s Volleyball vs. Fullerton**
Peterson Gymnasium, 6 p.m.
- **March 26 — “Our Town”**
Drama Lab Theatre, 2:30 p.m.



L.A. Angels to Host ‘Orange Coast College Night’ on April 22

The Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim will be hosting “Orange Coast College Night” for all fans on Saturday, April 22 as the Angels host the Toronto Blue Jays. Game time is set for 6:05 p.m.

The discounted tickets are just \$25 and each ticket purchased comes with a customized OCC Angels hat (pictured in this story). Hats will be available on the day of the game, near Gate 5.

The available sections for these discounted seats include sections 133, 134, 135, 231 and 232. All sections are field-level seats located down the right-field line.

There will be an Orange Coast College-themed display prior to the game at the University Village in the Gate 1 Courtyard and OCC-themed elements throughout the game.

Members of the College will be on the field to throw out the first pitch, with a fireworks show and movie following the game.

Also, each ticket purchased will include an opportunity to win two field passes to watch pregame batting practice on the field! The more tickets you purchase, the better your chances are of being on the field before the game!

In addition to coming out and supporting OCC, there will be a fantastic night of baseball, featuring some of the best young players in the game.

Tickets will be on sale at the Bursar’s Office starting Monday, March 6, at noon. Tickets can also be purchased online for \$27 (\$15/ticket, plus fees) at www.angels.com/occ.

For more information on this fantastic event, contact the OCC Athletics Office at (714) 432-5770 or the Bursar’s Office at (714) 432-5599.

OCC Participates in STEM Event at Honda Center

Coast staff and students were on hand as more than 16,000 students from Los Angeles, Orange and Riverside counties descended on the Honda Center in Anaheim as part of the Anaheim Ducks’ Scholastic Curriculum of Recreation and Education (SCORE) on March 6.

This is the first time OCC has participated in the event, which gives elementary aged students a chance to learn about science and STEM-related careers.

Career Education staffer Rena Quinonez was joined by Technology Division faculty member Steve Fuchs and several students in a booth that displayed a robotic cart with a hand-held controller.

The hands-on exhibit demonstrated a robotic arm that held a hockey stick, and shot a puck into a goal.

OCC’s exhibit booth was located in the event’s “playground” and highlighted engineering and design technology showcasing STEM career programs at Coast.

Doyle Arts Pavilion Showcases 30 Years of Birthday Crowns

What began as a fun birthday tradition among friends 30 years ago has blossomed into an artistic movement that will be on full display at OCC's exhibit "Crowning Glory" at the Frank M. Doyle Arts Pavilion from Feb. 23 until April 8.

In 1993, Kathleen McMurray asked a friend to make her a crown and present it to her in a ceremony for her birthday. McMurray was turning 40, and was uncomfortable with society's notion that she should feel a loss of personal power as she entered middle age. Instead, McMurray wanted to embrace a new coming of age, and celebrate a new, mature phase of her life, symbolized by the elaborate hat and the happy ritual associated with it.



The joyful empowerment of the decade milestone-birthday hat caught on among her friends and family. Over the past three decades, an impromptu Birthday Crown Society has evolved to include elaborate hat-making parties, coronation ceremonies and parades.

"The 'Crowning Glory' exhibition provides a special opportunity to reflect on the broader functions of art that we are rarely exposed to in the setting of the gallery," says curator Kim Garrison Means. "The phenomenon of the 'Birthday Crown Society' is one part contemporary performance, one part folk tradition, one part societal ritual and one part act of social rebellion, all wrapped up with a bow and a side of cake."

Photographer Erin Nomura has captured the vibrancy of these mad hatters in stunning portraits. The images — on display at the Doyle Arts Pavilion — reveal people of many ages celebrating the joy of donning a personal crown and embracing their place in life's journey. Also on display are the hats themselves, in all their sculptural glory. Reminiscent of Mardi Gras and Carnival masks, the materials used for these crowns are non-traditional and personal to the recipient, and can include kinetics, lights and interactive components. The resulting objects, including giant decoder rings, canoes, and rocket ships, are flamboyant, whimsical, stately and often ridiculous.

"This is art made and performed as an act of pure joy, which is itself somewhat of a rarity in the modern art world. And that joy can belong to anyone, regardless of age, experience or talent," says Garrison Means. "It is art imbued with a joy to be shared

with anyone who witnesses a coronation, encounters a decade birthday hat, or decides to make one of their own. There are many reasons to show the work of Crowning Glory, and much to learn from its examination, but none more important than this."

The hats of "Crowning Glory" will be on display until April 8. The Birthday Crown Society hopes to inspire visitors to create a crown for their next decade birthday.

The Doyle Arts Pavilion is open from 11 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Thursdays. For more information visit www.orangecoastcollege.edu/artspavilion

OCC Speech & Debate Takes 3rd at Spring Championship

On Feb. 26, the Orange Coast College Speech, Debate, and Theater team competed against more than 700 debate and individual participants from California to Arizona at the PSCFA Spring Championship Tournament at California State University, Long Beach.

OCC placed 3rd overall, ranking just behind a tie for first between Moorpark College and Irvine Valley College.

"This win is important for us as a team because it has motivated every student to work harder and better for the upcoming state championship," said Director of Individual Events, Shaw Davari.

Assistant Coach Jimmy Gomez echoed Davari's sentiments, saying that it was inspiring to see his students rise up to meet and work through myriad challenges during the tournament to achieve the 3rd place win.

"Seeing numerous OCC students recognized for academic achievement was wonderful," said Coach Das Nugent. "We are proud of them for their scholastic and forensic successes."

OCC to Stage Production of 'Our Town' March 17-26

The College's Theatre Arts department will present "Our Town" by Thornton Wilder on March 17-26 in the Drama Lab Theatre. There will be a 7:30 p.m. showing on March 17-19, 24 and 25, and a matinee performance at 2:30 p.m. on March 26.

"Our Town" is an American classic, and tells the enduring story of the people of Grover's Corner, New Hampshire. The main character, Professor Willard, acts as a stage manager,



introducing the audience to the townspeople and walking them through their lives as they confront life's stages, such as marriage and death.

"I think our local community will enjoy the heartfelt journey that our lead characters make as they will recognize their own journeys," says director Kelly Herman. "There is a reason that this play is produced year after year. It continues to resonate with audiences of every generation."

Admission for OCC's production is \$10 in advance at www.occtickets.com or \$12 at the door. (\$8/\$10 for students and seniors).

OCC Welcomes Energy and Sustainability Fellow

Orange Coast College has partnered with Energize Colleges — a nonprofit group that supports energy career educational programs — to bring fellow Tristian Trevino onto campus for the next 10 months to three years.

During his time at OCC, Trevino will be tasked with projects that promote environmental sustainability, and will be actively working with students and faculty on applying theoretical skills learned in class to experiences outside the classroom.

Trevino plans to recruit student interns who are interested in careers in energy related fields, such as solar energy, HVAC, and building construction and hardware. He also will work to develop partnerships with local high schools and will work closely with OCC faculty on expanding curriculum and course offerings.

Other Energize Colleges campuses include UC San Diego, UC Merced, College of the Desert, and Claremont McKenna.

"Sustainability is what I have a passion for," Trevino says. "When I first heard I was being sent to OCC, I called my friend who lives around here, and asked his opinion. He said '[OCC is] one of the best community colleges in the state — you can't go wrong there.'"

Trevino comes to Coast from Arizona, where he attended Arizona State University and graduated with a bachelor's degree in sustainability with a minor in sociology. He has previously worked with Director of the Institute of Sustainability at Clemson University, and for Changemaker Central.

Banff Film Festival Returns to OCC March 21 & 22

The Orange Coast College Friends of the Library (FOTL) will host a two-night screening of the Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour on Tuesday, March 21 and Wednesday, March 22 in the Robert B. Moore Theatre. The event will begin at 7 p.m. on both nights and will feature an international selection of films that present a wide range of outdoor adventures and portraits, including climbing, mountain expeditions, remote cultures, and the world's last great wild places.

The Banff Mountain Film Festival is a flagship program of the Banff Centre in Canada. The Festival began more than 35 years ago as a one-day event featuring films about mountain climbing,



and has grown into a nine-day event with more than 840 screenings throughout the year.

Advance tickets for OCC's event can be purchased for \$12 at (714) 432-5880 or at www.occtickets.com. Tickets for current OCC students with ID are only \$5 per night, and tickets for the general public will run \$15 at the door. All proceeds will benefit FOTL.

Senior Day Offers High Schoolers a Taste of Campus Life

OCC is expecting more than 4,000 high school seniors at the College's 34th annual Senior Day on March 16.

Senior Day serves as a major recruiting effort, with busses bringing high school students to OCC from all over Orange County to visit campus, and to gather information about enrollment, transfer opportunities, financial aid, and clubs and activities.

"We want high school seniors to see how active our campus is and we want to make sure they get information about the services and programs that we offer at OCC" says Outreach Coordinator Ed Cervantes. "Our hope is that the event is impactful and that [students] enjoy the campus, services and academic departments."

AMP will be DJ-ing on campus during the event, and hosting giveaways. Student Clubs also will be out in full force, with more than 40 clubs signed up to attend.

The event will take place from 9:45 a.m. until 1 p.m., and all students who attend will receive a free t-shirt and lunch, as well have the chance to take campus tours of various departments and win prizes.

Dr. John Taylor Appointed OCC's First Dean of Library & Learning Support

OCC has hired Dr. John Taylor as the Dean of the Library and Learning Support Division.

Dr. Taylor comes to Coast from Lassen Community College in Susanville, Calif., where for the past two years, he has been the

director of their Academic Resource Center. Prior to that, he was the library manager at JFK University in Berkeley for eight years.

Dr. Taylor has also worked in private industry and at Long Beach City College in information technology, library, and other roles. He has a bachelor's degree from Oral Roberts University in biblical literature, a master's degree in library science from the University of Arizona, and a doctorate in philosophy and religion from the California Institute of Integral Studies.

Orange Coast College Welcomes Distinguished Visiting Scholar

OCC's Visiting Scholar Program invites the public to attend an evening of design and culture presented by the 2017 OCC Distinguished Visiting Scholar Minoru Yokoyama.

Yokoyama - who hails from Tokyo and is a professor at Bunka Gakuen University - will give a lecture titled "The Evolution of Culture and Design in Japan" on Tuesday, March 21 at 6 p.m. in the Science Hall. A reception in the Frank M. Doyle Arts Pavilion will follow the lecture at 7:30 p.m.



Yokoyama will discuss the evolution of architecture and interior design, and the profound influence of historical Japanese characteristics on new work being created today. In his presentation, he will share how these major elements influence and infuse his work and those of other contemporary Japanese designers.

"We are extremely proud to have the opportunity to share Minoru Yokoyama, FIIDA, internationally renowned designer and professor, with Orange Coast College and the Community," says interior design department faculty member Renee Kubiak. "We look forward to his collaboration with students on campus and to his exceptional presentation and reception March 21."

OCC's Visiting Scholar Program is a collaborative and multi-discipline effort to bring distinguished scholars from all over the world to Coast. Yokoyama's visit was organized by both Kubiak as well as Visual and Performing Arts professor Irini Vallera-Rickerson, and is sponsored by the OCC Foundation and Office of the President.

Job & Internship Fair Scheduled for March 21

Orange Coast College students and the public are invited to meet with recruiters at a Job and Internship Fair on Tuesday, March 21, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

The annual event will be held in the main campus quad and admission is free. Parking will be available at the College's Fairview and Arlington Lot, and at the Orange County Fairgrounds.

Representatives from Wells Fargo, Stanford Children's Hospital, Orange County Football Officials Association and the Santa Catalina Island Company are among the many employers expected to attend the event.

Industries that will be represented include healthcare, education, hospitality, recreation, retail, arts and more.

Employers will be looking to fill both full-time and part-time positions, as well as internships. Job seekers are encouraged to arrive early, bring multiple copies of their resumes, and dress to impress.

For more information visit http://www.orangecoastcollege.edu/academics/student-employment/job_center/Pages/Job-Fair.aspx or call (714) 432-5576 ext. 1.

Director of M&O Set to Retire at the End of This Month

Coast staffers will have the opportunity to wish Maintenance and Operations Director Mark Goode luck on March 16 as he embarks on his next great adventure — retirement.

A retirement celebration will be held at the Costa Mesa Country Club (1701 Golf Course Drive, Costa Mesa) at 5 p.m., and appetizers and cake will be served.

Mark has been with the Coast Community College District since 1986, when he was hired as a general maintenance worker at Coastline College. He was hired at OCC in 1990 as a skilled maintenance worker. After his retirement, Mark plans to travel around the U.S. with his wife Kathleen in their recently purchased 40-foot motorhome.

