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Dear Students,

I hope that you had a productive and restful summer. This August, Secretary Napolitano announced that Homeland Security is planning to conduct a case-by-case review of the nearly 300,000 deportation cases currently pending in immigration court. The department has indicated that the goal is to identify "low priority" cases of persons without a criminal history, such as students, the elderly, and those that have

lived in the country since childhood. According to the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA), **this is NOT an amnesty program, nor about granting legal status, but rather a temporary decision not to use limited government resources to deport "low priority" individuals.** The change announced is NOT about giving people work permits. There is No application to fill out, No form to be filed, and No filing fee that can be paid. The details

about how the review process will be implemented, what cases will be considered "low priority" or how to have an individual case considered have not been established.

It needs to be really clear to our *familias* that this announcement is neither an amnesty program nor about granting legal status. For more information, you can go to the AILA website at [www.aila.org](http://www.aila.org).

Sinceramente,  
Maria A. Torres  
Dean of Students

Welcome to the 2011-2012 Academic Year!

We are so excited to start this new academic year with you. So far, we have had a great time meeting first-year students and reconnecting with returning students.

Sponsor Training was a blast! We have an amazing team of sponsors that have already been great advocates and mentors to our first-year class. An example of their efforts can be measured by the record number of New Student Retreat RSVP's that we have received thus far. For the first time ever in CLSA history we had to start our waiting list a week earlier than normal. Sponsors- you are

doing a phenomenal job!

We will be kicking off Latino Heritage Month on September 16<sup>th</sup> with our Annual Open House at 3pm. This year our LHM theme is "Cultura, Arte y Resistencia" we will take a look at how art has been used to show signs of resistance in our culture. One event not to miss this month is "Luis Alberto Urrea" author of The Devil's Highway and The Hummingbirds Daughter, who will be coming on September 27<sup>th</sup> to the Athenaeum.

In other exciting news, CLSA will be starting a Latino/a Leadership Council and Workshop Series this semester. Once a month the leadership of all Latino/a

organizations will be meeting to share calendars and bring forth potential collaborations. We will also host two Leadership Workshops this semester that will be designed to give participants essential tools that will enhance their leadership development. The workshop dates are October 7<sup>th</sup> and November 11<sup>th</sup> from 3-5pm.

As always, I look forward to seeing you at our events! Remember that I have an open door policy, so stop by at any time.

Sincerely,  
Naddia Palacios  
Assistant Dean of Students

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## 2011 CLSA Sponsor Team in Training



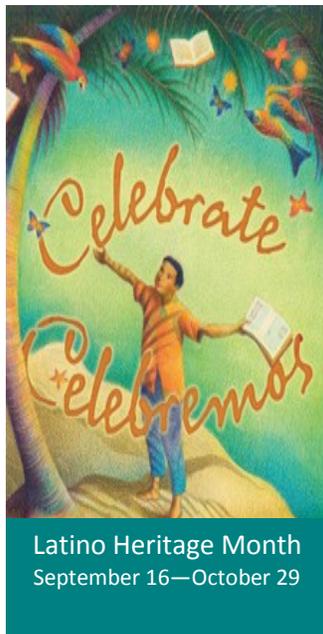
2011-12 CLSA Sponsor Team

The CLSA Sponsor Team consists of thirty-one amazing returning students. They are: Emily Areta, Annabel Barraza, Jacob Barrera, Melanie Bello, Sabrina Canela, Viridiana Chabolla, Alison Dos Santos, Joaquin Estrada, Sam Fernald, Angelica Ferreira, Jackie Flores, Isabel Garcia, Jessica Garcia, Madeline Goldkamp, Vanessa Gonzalez, Mayra Hernandez, Sarai Jimenez, Eric Martinez, Jaice Mendoza, Chris Monroy, Diana Ortiz (PZ), Diana Ortiz (PO), Uriel Rafael, Nick Romo, Veronica Salas, Lisbeth Santana, Irving Torres, Adriana Ramos, Freddy Valencia, Gabe Villarreal and Chris Zazueta. Thank you!



## Annual Open House to Kick-Off Latino Heritage Month

Returning students are very aware to not miss CLSA's Annual Open House. New students we don't want you to miss it either so mark your calendars everyone, Friday, September 16th is the day, from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. As you make your way into Tranquada Student Services Center, you will be greeted by the most delectable aromas of roasting chilis. Join us in sampling some of Felipe's mouthwatering chip and salsa bar, amongst other tasty goodies. The annual Open House also signifies



the kick-off to Latino Heritage Month. Check out the calendar in this issue to see some of the events coming up. This year's theme is **"Cultura, Arte y Resistencia."** A variety of programs have been planned, and we are hoping that you will attend as many as your schedule permits. Some highlights include Luis Alberto Urrea, Author & Pulitzer Prize Finalist, will speak at the CMC Athenaeum on September 27th. If you want to attend the dinner, make a reservation on line, visit [www.claremontmckenna.edu/mmca](http://www.claremontmckenna.edu/mmca). Reservations are not

necessary for the lecture component only which starts at 6:45 pm. The first community lunch of the year will feature Pitzer Professor of Sociology, Anthony Francoso and is set for October 6th. Día de la Raza, October 12th, will be celebrated with a special performance by Matalache, an Afro-Peruvian Dance Group. Back by popular demand, CLSA will make a Border Tour on October 29th, from a human rights perspective. You must rise and shine for this one, the bus departs at 7 am.

## Other Noteworthy Events

As part of the Scripps College Humanities Institute, Olga Nájera-Ramírez, Professor of Anthropology at UC Santa Cruz will lecture on

"Mexican Folklorico Dance: Documenting an Emergent Genre" and will screen her 50-minute documentary, Sept. 6th,

Boone Recital Hall, Scripps College Performing Arts Center. On September 20th, Mariachi Mujer 2000, The All Star Female

Mariachi Group will perform at 7:30 pm, Garrison Theater, Scripps College Performing Arts Center.

## Blancarte on Board

James E. Blancarte or Jimmy, as he is known to CLSA Staff, is extremely proud that his professional experience has brought him back to Claremont. Late last year it was announced that Mr. Blancarte had been appointed to the Claremont University Consortium Board of Overseers. The CUC Board together with the Council of Presidents work on the continued advancement of The Claremont Colleges. It came as no surprise that one of our illustrious alums would have been selected for this post. Mr. Blancarte has

been a prominent attorney in the Los Angeles area for over thirty years, earning national and international recognition for handling high profile litigation, entertainment, media/broadcasting and international law matters. He is currently a partner with the law firm of AlvaradoSmith. Additionally, he has served as Judge Pro-Tem for the Los Angeles County Superior Courts. Twice he has been the President of the Mexican American Bar Association and he served a ten-year tenure term for the Los Angeles City Board of Fire Commissioners.

He may seem familiar to you and that's because he is often the Legal Analyst for many of the major networks. To us at CLSA, Jimmy is one of the first local students to come to Claremont. He grew up in the City of Pomona and arrived on campus driving one of the shiniest low-rider cars that you have ever seen. He certainly left his indelible imprint on the Pomona campus and in our hearts. He is, without a doubt, a sincere individual with a wonderful sense of humor whose heart is as big



as his intellect. We are extremely proud of all his achievements and happy that his continued interest in The Claremont Colleges has gained him yet another distinguished honor.

There is never a shortage of things to do, both on- and off-campus. The difficult thing is deciding what to attend.

## Bittersweet Harvest: The Bracero Program

The Museum of History and Art in the City of Ontario is exhibiting the **Bittersweet Harvest: The Bracero Program, 1942-1964** and will run through October 30th. As part of the exhibit, the Ontario Museum, has scheduled Matthew Garcia, Professor of History and Transborder Studies, ASU,

who will give a lecture on September 16th at 7 pm. Professor Garcia, was the Outreach Director of the oral history project that led to the Bittersweet Harvest exhibit. On Thurs, October 6th, they will screen "Harvest of Loneliness: The Bracero Program" at 7 pm. Co-directors Gilbert

Gonzalez and Vivian Price will present their 58 minute documentary. Bittersweet Harvest was organized by the Smithsonian National Museum of American History and is free to the public. For information, 909 -395-2510.

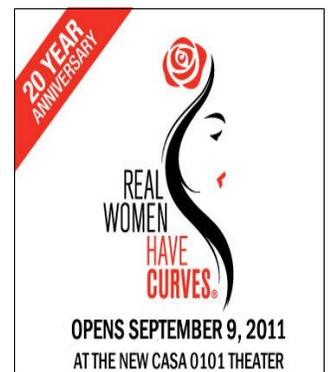
## 20th Anniversary of Real Women Have Curves

**Casa 0101 Theater** is presenting *Real Women Have Curves* from September 9th through October 23rd. The 20th anniversary production coincides with the opening of Casa 0101 Theater's new venue located now at 2102 E. First Street in Los Angeles in the emerging Boyle Heights Art District. Before it was the award-

winning film that launched the career of America Ferrera, *Real Women Have Curves* was a play written by then 21 year-old Josefina Lopez based on her own experience working in her sister's sewing factory after graduating from high school. For reservations, call (323) 263-7684 or visit [www.CASA0101.org](http://www.CASA0101.org). Ticket

prices are \$20 general \$17 for students with ID. They also have \$12 Spanish matinee performances on Saturdays at 3:00 pm.

CASA 0101 Theater was founded in 2000 by Josefina Lopez to nurture future storytellers of Los Angeles, who will someday transform the world.



# September 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 12:15 New Student Lunch for Scripps Students, CLSA	2 12:00 New Student Lunch for Pitzer Students, CLSA	3
4	5	6	7	8	9 4:00 pm Depart for New Student Retreat	10 New Student Retreat
11 2:00 pm Retreat Arrival Catch up on homework and rest!	12	13	14	15	16 3-5 pm Open House, CLSA <i>Latino Heritage Month</i>	17
18	19	20 4:00 pm Graduate Fellowships Info Session w/ Tania Pantoja, CLSA	21	22	23 3:00 Latino/a Leadership Council Meeting	24
25	26	27 6:45 pm Luis Alberto Urrea, Author & Pulitzer Prize Finalist, CMC Athenaeum	28	29	30	

# Resource Center News

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## Dissertation Competition

The American Association of Hispanics in Higher Education (AAHHE), in conjunction with Educational Testing Service (ETS), has announced the third annual **Outstanding Dissertation Competition**. The 2011 competition is open to those who have completed a dissertation between December 2009 and August 1, 2011 that either focuses on Hispanics in higher education or on select disciplines by an Hispanic student. AAHHE and ETS are providing an opportunity to spotlight top doctoral students and, at the same time, rewarding excellence in Hispanic student performance at the doctoral level. Details about the competition and recognition for the winners are available at [www.aahhe.org](http://www.aahhe.org). Please note that the first deadline for participation in the competition is September 5, 2011. The top three winners will be invited and sponsored to attend the 6<sup>th</sup> AAHHE National Conference (March 8-10, 2012) in Costa Mesa, California; present their dissertations; and receive their award. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners will receive a monetary award of \$5,000, \$2,000, and \$1,000, respectively, and the announcement is widely disseminated to AAHHE and ETS listserves.

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## Employment/Volunteer Opportunities

**Seeking Spanish and Algebra II Tutor ASAP**—I am looking for someone to tutor my 16 year old nephew who is a junior in high school during the week anytime after 3pm. Pay is \$10/hour per subject. If interested, please contact me directly at [ladiosdado@verizon.net](mailto:ladiosdado@verizon.net) by September 2, 2011. Thank you, Laura Arguijo.

**The Student Life (TSL)** is a 5C newspaper that covers news, arts, sports, and opinions at the 5Cs. We publish a paper issue every Friday and maintain an active website. TSL is recruiting new staff and their goal for the fall semester is to reach out to a wider range of student groups and communities on campus, and to draw from those communities to cover a more diverse array of stories and events in our publication. Working for TSL is a great opportunity to develop skills in writing, graphic design, editing, photography, programming, advertising, and other areas. Most of our positions are paid and comply with work study requirements. If interested, students are invited to attend one of our three information sessions this week: Wednesday, Aug. 31 at 8:00 pm; Thursday, Sept. 1 at 5:00 pm; Friday, Sept. 2 at 5:00 pm. All info sessions will be hosted in the TSL office, located in the Walker Fishbowl on Pomona's campus. We are beneath the Women's Union (WU) and Walker Lounge, across the plaza from Frary Dining Hall. For questions or more information, students are encouraged to contact [info@tsl.pomona.edu](mailto:info@tsl.pomona.edu) or visit us online at [tsl.pomona.edu](http://tsl.pomona.edu).

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## Fellowship

Starting September 1, 2011, applications will be accepted for the **2012 Ford Diversity Fellowships Program for Achieving Excellence in College and University Teaching**. Full eligibility information and online applications are available on our website at <http://nationalacademies.org/ford>. Stipends and Allowances: Predoctoral--\$20,000 to the fellow, institutional allowance of \$2,000 for three years; Dissertation--\$21,000 for one year and Postdoctoral--\$40,000 for one year, \$1,500 employing institution allowance, to be matched by employing institution. Awardees have expenses paid to attend one Conference of Ford Fellows. Approximately 60 predoctoral, 35 dissertation, and 20 postdoctoral fellowships sponsored by the Ford Foundation and administered by the National Research Council of the National Academies. Application deadline dates are Predoctoral-November 14, 2011; Dissertation-November 17, 2011 and Postdoctoral- November 17, 2011. For further information, please contact the Fellowships Office at the National Research Council of The National Academies by calling 202.334.2872 or email at [infofell@nas.edu](mailto:infofell@nas.edu).

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## Internship

Sponsors for Educational Opportunity (SEO) is the nation's premiere summer internship program for talented underrepresented students of color that can lead to full-time job offers. SEO places students from all majors in paid internships (absolutely no fees applicable), even freshman and sophomores. It is never too early to start looking for an internship and SEO is looking to recruit, train and provide mentorship to exemplary students with at least a 3.0 who are seeking to start their career. Since its inception, SEO's Career Program has placed over 5,000 students in internships that lead to opportunities in exciting and rewarding careers in the most competitive industries worldwide. For more information, visit [www.seo-usa.org/Career/Career\\_Program\\_Overview](http://www.seo-usa.org/Career/Career_Program_Overview).