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## From the Dean

Dear Students,

Standing in solidarity with our DACA students and the people of Puerto Rico, México, Cuba, and other countries that are facing natural disasters, we take this opportunity to acknowledge a vibrant beginning of a new school year and to share news that we hope will brighten your days.

From building bicycles to battling hornets to crafting a comprehensive plan to further improve the CLSA Sponsor Program, the CLSA *familia* has been hard at work to make sure our community continues to thrive. Earlier in August, our largest team ever of volunteer sponsors gathered for an entire week to plan and prepare for the New Student Retreat and for the school year. During the training, these dedicated

sponsors built four bicycles that were later donated to a local community organization that supports families in need. The adventure continued when, during the New Student Retreat, new students and sponsors bravely faced a swarm of hornets. Fortunately, and thanks to the quick intervention of our fearless leaders—special shout-out to Melissa Petito for taking care of the stung victims!—the incident did not have major repercussions and everyone was safe.

On a different note, in its commitment to continue to make CLSA stronger and more efficient, the leadership team began to craft an improvement plan to create more opportunities for building community while increasing collaboration among CLSA and the different

Latinx organizations across the Claremont colleges. Among these innovations is the new *Coffee with the Dean* program; where Deans Tony and Maria have the opportunity to visit and meet with students at the 7c's to hear their thoughts and concerns. Needless to say, we are excited about the innovations and invite everyone not just to join us for coffee and/or workshops (check out our Latino Heritage Celebration calendar!), but to continue to stop by the center remembering that this is your home. Wishing you all a healthy and productive semester, we look forward to seeing you soon!

Sincerely,

Maria Morales  
Interim Assistant Dean of Students

## Sponsors Give to Community

This year's Sponsor Training included having the team work in groups to assemble four bicycles. It was a win-win situation, Sponsors were able to get to know one another while working on this project and four very deserving students will receive bicycles. The bicycles were donated to Santa Claus, Inc. who in turn

will distribute these bikes to dedicated students who receive perfect attendance in the poorest zip code in the U.S., 92410. Santa Claus, Inc. will serve approximately 100,00 children in 2017 through their Youth Enrichment Services (YES!) and their Christmas Distribution program.



## Graduation Stoles, Order Now!

It is that time of year—time to order your graduation stole in preparation of your May commencement.

**November 10th is this year's deadline** for ordering **personalized** graduation stoles. Don't delay as this will be the only time CLSA places an order. Please contact Ernie Mendoza via email

clsa@cuc.claremont.edu to make an appointment. She will assist you in the ordering process. To preview the many options you have prior to your appointment, visit the company's website at <http://midwestglobalgroup.com>.

Also, graduation stoles are a gift from Chicano Latino Student Affairs.



A sampling of stoles worn in previous years.

## KSPC Opportunity

Samantha Nuno, the Live Music Director of KSPC Claremont would love to have a KSPC sponsored music and art event centering on Latinx

identities and art. Are you an artist or musician that would be interested in an evening like this? If so, feel free to contact Samantha at [\[sic@gmail.com\]\(mailto:ksplivemu-sic@gmail.com\). Samantha is also open to any local band or musician suggestions that you would like to bring on campus. This is a](mailto:ksplivemu-</a></p></div><div data-bbox=)

wonderful opportunity to get involved with programming that will impact the community as well as the 7-Cs.

## Monsour Drop-In Hour has Resumed



CLSA is once again fortunate to have Elizabeth Poloskov as our liaison from Monsour Counseling Center. For students, this means that Elizabeth can be found at CLSA every Thursday from 3-4p.m. Elizabeth, a first-

generation student herself and a CMC alumna, is passionate about working with college students especially those seeking services for the first time. Her clinical interests include relationship issues, treatment of anxiety and depression, stress manage-

ment, life transitions, crisis intervention, development of ethnic/cultural identity, social advocacy and group therapy. Elizabeth identifies as both Latina and bi-ethnic.

Drop-by and introduce yourself to Elizabeth!

## Dia de los Muertos in the Village

There will be a day-long Day of the Dead celebration on Saturday, October 29th from 11 am to 4 pm which will take place at Shelton Park. If

you would like to set-up an individual altar or perhaps do so with a club, contact the organizing committee at [\[tos@yahoo.com\]\(mailto:tos@yahoo.com\). Lots of fun to be had—face \(calavera\) painting; food trucks, mariachi performance from noon to 3 pm and ending with the Catri-](mailto:clmtmuer-</a></p></div><div data-bbox=)

na and Catrin contest. Have fun!

## Art Workshop at CLSA

Get ready for a fun, relaxing afternoon with local artist Annette Armas who will guide us in making mini Día de los Muertos altars. Art experience is not necessary—even those who think they don't pos-

sess a creative bone in their body have completed masterpieces at CLSA's art workshops. Reserve your spot for Thursday, October 19th from 2:00-5:00 pm at [clsa@cuc.claremont.edu](mailto:clsa@cuc.claremont.edu). We encourage participants

to arrive no later than 3:00 pm in order to complete the project. All supplies provided by Chicano Latino Student Affairs. Join us!

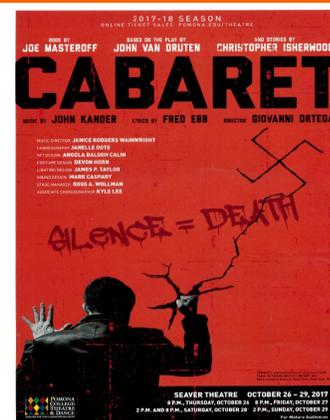


## Cabaret

Professor Giovanni Ortega is directing Cabaret, the new Pomona College Theatre and Dance production which will be held on October 26-29 at

Seaver Theatre. Chicano Latino Student Affairs (CLSA) is providing some weekend fun to the first twenty-five students that claim a ticket. Stop by

CLSA or email [clsa@cuc.claremont.edu](mailto:clsa@cuc.claremont.edu) to reserve a ticket. This play is for mature audiences.



## Coffee and Conversation

CLSA Deans Tony Jimenez and Maria Morales are making every effort to be available and accessible to all Latinx students. They have already hosted a few coffee hours that have had a great response. As long

as students continue to show up, the Deans will continue to come to your campus for the remainder of the semester. Here are the dates for the rest of October: 18th—Dean Maria at CMC's Hub;

18th—Dean Tony at HMC's Café; 23rd—Dean Maria at Scripps' Motley; 24th—Dean Tony at The Coffee Bean for KGI and CGU students; and 25th—Dean Maria at Pitzer's Pit Stop. The Coffee Hour is

from 3:00-4:00 pm and yes, the coffee is on CLSA. Stop by to share ideas for possible programming, let us know how you are doing and how we are doing. We value your opinion!

## Diversity Forum

The California Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education will be held on November 4th, at CSU Channel Islands, from 8:00 am-4:00 pm. This forum is designed to acquaint college students with the experiences and opportunities provided by advanced study. Through workshops, the Forum will

also provide useful information on how to navigate the entire process of applying to graduate school—from gathering information on which graduate school is best for you to all about the application process. Additionally, the Diversity Forum will allow you to meet with over 200 representatives from

graduate schools across the nation. Register on-line now <https://www.regonline.com/registration/Checkin.aspx?EventID=2012347>. This event is for all disciplines except programs in medicine, dentistry, optometry, chiropractic, pharmacy, and law, all of which have their own recruiting networks.



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| 15  | 16   | 17   | 18  | 19  | 20  | 21  |
|     | <i>Fall</i>  | <i>Break</i>   | Coffee w/Dean Maria, 3-5 pm, CMC Hub              | Día de los Muertos Art Workshop, 2-5 pm, CLSA. RSVP to <a href="mailto:clsa@cuc.claremont.edu">clsa@cuc.claremont.edu</a> |     |     |
| 22  | 23   | 24   | 25  | 26  | 27  | 28  |
|     | Coffee w/ Dean Maria, 3-5 pm, Pitzer Pit-Stop Café | Coffee w/Dean Tony, 4-5 pm, The Coffee Bean, Claremont Village                                   | Coffee w/ Dean Maria, 3-5 pm, Scripps, The Motley |   |     |     |
| 29  | 30   | 31   |   |   |     |     |
|     |  | How to Write a Winning Statement of Purpose for Graduate School, Daniel Fabrega, 4-5:30 pm, CLSA |   |   |     |     |

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|     |     |     | Día de los Muertos Study Break, 3-5 pm, CLSA | Coffee w/Dean Tony, 3-4 pm, Pomona Coop Fountain | Applying to Summer Research Opportunities, 4-5 pm, CLSA |     |