



LOS ANGELES VALLEY COLLEGE
FOUNDATION

Newsletter April 2024

Letter from the Executive Director

Dear Friends,

We're only a few weeks away from the Grand Opening of the LAVC Farmer's Market on Sunday, April 21st! More than 40 vendors will be there every Sunday morning to sell fresh produce, baked goods, handcrafted items and so much more. The event is open to all from 9 am to 1 pm and will be held in Lot A on the corner of Burbank and Fulton Avenues.

Until then, there is much to do on campus, including supporting our Monarch [Baseball](#) and [Softball](#) teams. **The baseball team is currently in first place in their division with a 25-6 season record and is on a 13-game winning streak - don't miss your opportunity to come watch them!** Admission is free.

There is also an opportunity this month to view the Pável Acevedo exhibit *the shell in the clouds, Ma' Conch't Do'T Nub'T, El caparazón en las nubes* in the Art Gallery. Recently, some students from LAVC's Puente Program got a hands-on tutorial on how to create a mural for this exhibit, as you will see below.

Looking ahead, we're excited about both [Dance](#) and [Theater](#) performances in early May. Look for more information about how to get more involved in our **Patrons of the Arts** program in the coming weeks. Until then, we'll see you on campus.

Sincerely,

Andrea Schmitt
Executive Director
Los Angeles Valley College Foundation

LAVC Program Spotlight: POPP



Photo by Dale Beck

The [Police Orientation Preparation Program](#) (POPP) is a career-focused partnership between the LAPD, The Los Angeles Community College District, California State University Los Angeles and Los Angeles Valley College. POPP is a two-year degree program that combines career preparatory coursework with professional opportunities in public service. Featuring guest speakers, physical fitness drills and coursework, POPP ensures students enter the LAPD academy ready to commit to a career in law enforcement. POPP also provides an opportunity for students who have matriculated from a Police Academy Magnet school to continue their focus on the LAPD until they are old enough to enroll in the Academy.

Recently, [Los Angeles City Council President Paul Krekorian](#) visited LAVC's campus to present a \$5,000 donation to the POPP Program. "My experience with the POPP students who have worked for my office has made me an enthusiastic supporter of this program," said Council President Krekorian. "The POPP students I've worked with bring a genuine passion for public service to everything they do. This is an extraordinary opportunity for students to learn and grow while they give service, and it's a great preparation for their future careers. The entire community benefits when young people like these are allowed to fulfill their potential."

Puente Students help paint Art Gallery Mural



Photo by Dale Beck

Recently, students from LAVC's Puente Program got a hands-on tutorial in mural painting with visiting artist Pável Acevedo in preparation for his current exhibition at the LAVC Art Gallery. The Puente Program is a cohort-modeled transfer-support program that aims to help bridge the gap of Latinx students being admitted to UC schools and help students transfer to universities in 2-3 years of enrollment at LAVC. Services that Puente provides for students include specialized counseling, cultural enrichment, university exposure, and personal mentoring.

Upcoming LAVC Community Events

Athletics:

Friday, April 12:

[Men's Baseball vs Bakersfield](#)

[Women's Softball vs Oxnard](#)

Performing Arts:

Friday, May 3

[Valley Dances 2024](#)

Saturday, May 4

[Festival of One Acts](#)

Volunteer Opportunity



ASSEMBLYMEMBER

Jesse Gabriel
DISTRICT 46

Day of Service 2024



Sunday, April 14

9:30 AM @ Pierce College

Register at www.bit.ly/VDS2024

Join [Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel](#) for the Third Annual Valley Day of Service on **Sunday, April 14 at Pierce College, beginning at 9:30am**. The event will partner with dozens of community groups

and nonprofits to assist with service projects around the San Fernando Valley. If interested, please RSVP at this [link](#) and visit bit.ly/VDS2024 to learn more about specific volunteer projects.

A green-themed poster for Arbor Day: Tree Planting. At the top left is the ASU LAVC logo. The main title 'Arbor Day: Tree Planting' is in large, bold, dark green letters. Below it, a dark green rounded rectangle contains the date 'Monday, April 22 @ 12PM' in white. To the right, a dark green rounded rectangle contains the location 'LOCATION: NORTH MALL' and two bullet points: '• FREE FOOD FOR PAID ASO MEMBERS!' and '• LEARN HOW TO GARDEN'. At the bottom left, an illustration shows a woman watering a tree and a man planting a tree. At the bottom, a dark green box contains text about accessibility.

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Arbor Day: Tree Planting

Monday, April 22 @ 12PM

LOCATION:
NORTH MALL

- FREE FOOD FOR PAID ASO MEMBERS!
- LEARN HOW TO GARDEN

LACCD encourages persons with disabilities to participate in its programs and activities. If you anticipate needing any type of accommodation, or have questions about the physical access provided, please contact the Office of Student Life at (818)778-5516 as soon as possible, but no later than ten (10) business days prior to the event.

Join us for a vibrant celebration of nature as the ASU and the Urban Forest Committee collab for an Arbor Day extravaganza! Let's transform our campus into a lush haven for generations to come. Free food ASU Paid members! Pay your \$10 Semester ASU fee in the Business Office. This event will be held Monday, April 22, 2024 from 12pm-2pm in the North Mall Lawn.

Los Angeles Valley College (LAVC) is a two-year community college in Valley Glen, CA and part of the nine-college Los Angeles Community College District. It serves a student body of over 18,000 students each year from some of the most disenfranchised communities in the San Fernando Valley. **The Los Angeles Valley College Foundation's** mission is to enhance the education of its students through community involvement and to provide additional financial resources to Los Angeles Valley College.

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