



LOS ANGELES VALLEY COLLEGE
FOUNDATION

Newsletter April 2025

Dear Friends,

It has been a busy but exciting few weeks at the LAVC Foundation! Our Scholarship season is in full swing, with more students than ever applying for \$145,000 in scholarships. We are in the process of reviewing applications and will announce awards before our Scholarship Celebration reception on May 15th. This year, we are joining with LAVC's Transfer Alliance Program to celebrate not only our scholarship recipients but also students who will be transferring to a four-year college or university in the fall. We invite you will join us for one of the most impactful nights of our spring calendar, and if you would like to become a sponsor for the event, [please click here](#).

Interested in getting more involved with the Foundation and supporting the college? The LAVC Foundation Board is looking for members! Our Board meets six times per year in person, and every board member supports at least one committee on topics as varied as finance, governance, fundraising and more. You do not need to be a Board member to join one of our committees. If you would like to learn more about how to get involved, please email me at schmitag@lavc.edu or call (818) 947-2618.

Last but not least, the [Good Times Farmer's Market](#) continues to expand. The market features multiple produce vendors, gourmet foods, coffee, a bounce house for littles, and so much more every Sunday from 9 - 2 on the corner of Burbank and Fulton Avenues. Revenue raised from the Farmer's Market directly supports LAVC campus activities through the Foundation. We hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

Andrea Schmitt
Executive Director

Construction Topping-Off for Sage Hall



The final steel beam was placed at a topping-off ceremony of Sage Hall (also known as Academic Building 2) on Thursday, March 20. The 60,000 SF two-story building, which is located near Fulton Avenue next to the Library & Academic Resource Center, will be the future home of the LAVC Communication Studies, English, English as a Second Language (ESL), Foreign Language, and Technology departments.

Previous Events

Women's History Month Celebration



Left to Right: LACCD Interim Chancellor Dr. Alberto J. Román, LAVC Vice President of Administrative Services Sarah Song, LACCD Board President Dr. Kelsey Iino, LAVC President Dr. Barry Gribbons.

The Los Angeles Community College District's Women's History Month Tea was held at Los Angeles City College in March. Each of the District's colleges recognized a female colleague who has demonstrated leadership and extraordinary service to their campus community. LAVC Foundation Board Treasurer Sarah Song, who serves as LAVC's Vice President of Administrative Services, was one of nine women honored at the event.

Alumni Art Show Open House



Graphic Design professor Jason Ellenburg speaks about LAVC's Art Department.

The Foundation hosted an Open House for LAVC Alumni Exhibition at the Art Gallery. Guests were able to meet the showcased artists and faculty and students from the Art and English Departments. The evening featured a spoken-word poem written by LAVC student-author Perna Chugani as well as delicious food presented by [Love Catering](#). Proceeds from the silent auction directly benefited the Art Gallery and the English Department's upcoming literary magazine *The Bite*.

Upcoming events

Arbor Day Tree Planting



Join the LAVC and plant some trees for Arbor Day 2025! The college prides itself in being a [Tree Campus USA](#) campus. The Arbor Day Committee will plant two new Trumpet Trees and two new Eastern Redbud Trees in the Monarch Square area. Light refreshments will be served.

To attend, please RSVP to Nat Guerrero at (818) 778-5924 or guerren3@lavc.edu.

SAVE THE DATE
LA VALLEY COLLEGE
ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME
Induction Ceremony & Banquet
JUNE 28, 2025

HONORING THOSE WHO EXCELLED
IN LAVC ATHLETICS AND BEYOND!



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