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### Faculty protests decision denying salary increases

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The Cerritos College Faculty Federation has been in negotiations with the district for 11 months now, but new information on an increasing annual budget has caused the CCFF to "mobilize," said union member and professor Walter Fernandez.

The Cost of Living Adjustment is a benefit that ensures the value of money at retirement keeps up with the rate of inflation and it is being raised by 2.71 percent across the state. For Cerritos College, this translate to an about \$14 million increase.

Many faculty members were upset that the budget increase would not be used to increase salaries of part-time and full-time faculty members.

Cerritos College Faculty Federation President Stephanie Rosenblatt said, "We're going to have tons more money than we've had before. If we can't work on it this year, when are we going to do it?



Part-time and full-time professors are cut from the same cloth

RALPH CASTELLANOS

Part-time professor

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"We don't want to take money away from the students, but we already have the largest class sizes in our area. Our faculty are super efficient," she said.

The issue was brought up during the past Board of Trustees meeting held on Sept. 19. Many union members arrived wearing red shirts and carrying signs.

Part-time and full-time faculty members spoke during the meeting about issues they had with the negotiation process and budget issues.

Ralph Castellanos, part-time professor in the speech department, said that aside from working at Cerritos College he also works at six other campuses. He also said that he teaches between eight to 10 classes per semester and that, "like my colleagues, I'm struggling."

Castellanos explained his issue with the inequity between full-time and part-time salaries. He



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**Mobilization**: "Withholing C.O.L.A. is a form of embezzlement" read Walter Fernandez's sign as Vice President of business Service Felipe Lopez walked by. Faculty members, both part-time and full-time alike and union members were present, wearing red shirts at the last Board of Trustees meeting on Sept. 19.

said, "Our students need us, but we are stuck elsewhere just so we can pay the bills.

"Help us be here more, help us do more for our students. We all have the same goal: student success. Our significantly unequal pay is a barrier to us accomplishing this goal."

Castellanos was met with applause when he said that "part-time professors and full-time professors are cut from the same cloth."

Fernandez, who also attended the meeting, said of the union's presence, "Yesterday's mobilization was really to show the Board of Trustees how passionate the faculty are about certain points.

"We were also there to show the officers of the administration, the president, the vice president, the chief financial officer, that the faculty are not pleased and that we are willing to continue protesting and manifesting their views in the negotiations."

Board of Trustees President
Zurich Lewis, in reference of
signs present during the meeting
and emails among faculty and
staff members, said, "I ask that all
people use responsible rhetoric when we come up to these
meetings rather than accusing us
of embezzlement, rather than accusing us of being hypocrites and
essentially oppressing the moral
conscience of faculty.

"I think that goes far beyond the line of collegiality," he concluded.

Rosenblatt said of Lewis' comment, "I think he misread the sign, nobody accused anyone of embezzlement."

Rosenblatt said she was surprised Zurich had read faculty emails as they were only sent among staff and faculty.

Fernandez said, "What we are

asking for is not radical or outrageous, it's actually considered normal. This is part of the frustration that faculty members feel and also that the campus seems to have a very healthy budget."

Rosenblatt said that negotiations will continue until both parties are satisfied with the proposals. She said, "People are upset, and depending on how the district responds to our offers,

people will either be [relieved] or they'll get even angrier."

Fernandez said he remains hopeful for a positive outcome of negotiations. Rosenblatt agreed and said she expects negitations to end soon.

The next Board of Trustees meeting will take place on Oct. 3, 7 p.m. at the Cheryl A. Epple Board Room where the union is expected to be present.



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CREATIVE COMMONS

# Documentary on immigration in the works by professor Haas

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It all started when history professor John Haas learned more about DACA students on campus. Haas was curious to know what would happen to the future of immigration, and chain migration

He believes it's important to have empathy for students and understand their world. That's where he developed the idea for his creative project, an immigration documentary.

What first interested Haas in making a documentary was a video he watched about Big Ben National Park in Texas, not only did the scenery capture him, but also the idea of the current president wanting to put a big wall in the middle of it.

After learning more about the national park, he decided to visit the sight himself with his cinematographer Jim Legoy.

Haas traveled to Mexico where he was fascinated about the process of entering and leaving the country. After seeing the scenery around the border, he thinks putting a wall is unnecessary.

His trip to Mexico was just the beginning.

After returning, he focused on understanding the world of a DACA recipients and the worries undocumented people go through.

As a teacher, he wants to humanize people without papers. "I'm not worried about being deported or things happening to my family, but other people are," he said.

Haas thinks regardless of someone's political stance, they should have empathy for someone that left their family and home behind to live a better life, and that is what he is trying to do through his documentary.

Traveling and meeting people has change Haas's perspective on life.

While traveling down to Tijuana he met a gentlemen that lived in Whittier who recently was deported due to marijuana possession, the man sleeps on the concrete floor with his schizophrenic brother.

It was hard for Haas to interview someone who was seeking asylum due to the fear of being caught.

"Traveling to these places is scary, but it has changed the way I think. My heart goes out for them," says Legoy.

When it comes to close-minded people, Legoy thinks it can be hard to change someone's way of thinking, but it is possible.

"I come from a very conservative family, so I've had a firsthand experience," Legoy said, "all I hope for is for my first hand experience to be an experience for others." Legoy thinks if he can open minded so can others.

He's open to any students who would be interested to share their stories about immigration for his documentary.

All his projects are self-funded, but he recently received a donation from the diversity department of Human Resources at Cerritos College.

He hopes to release a video of DACA recipients on the campus by the end of this semester.

### Speaker Becky Fein discusses suicide prevention

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The Suicide Prevention: Question, Persuade, Refer workshop, presented by Active Minds Associate Director of Programs Becky Fein was hosted by the Active Minds Cerritos College chapter Sept. 27.

Due to the topic of the workshop, three Cerritos College Active Minds club members were available for support and to check on those who stepped out of the workshop.

Active Minds is a national nonprofit organization that advocates for student mental health.

Those who stayed for the entire duration of the two-hour long event received a certificate signifying that they are trained in QPR.

QPR are the three steps to prevent someone who may be experiencing or demonstrating the symptoms of suicidal ideation from ultimately dying by suicide.

"The ultimate goal of the workshop is to teach people the warning signs of suicidal ideation and these three basic skills to intervene and really, in my mind," Fain stated, "it's also about upping the level of communication that we have between each other and to prevent crisis, ideally, from happening for showing up for our friends and for the people around us."



BIANCA MARTINEZ

**Active Minds**: Nursing majors Andrea Lavadia and Vanessa Avery practice bringing about the topic of suicide and incorporating the questioning technique they learned in the workshop. The workshop took place Sept. 27.

Attendees were also taught the common myths and facts surrounding suicide.

Fein also encouraged audience participation by having students act out conversations about suicide, incorporating the QPR method with a partner.

QPR handbooks were passed out during the workshop, while Fein described examples and explained in depth how to effectively: "question a person about suicide, persuade someone to get help and refer someone to the appropriate resource."

One of the club members available for support was Active Minds President Katherine Callejos, who also coordinated the workshop.

Callejos explained why the event was coordinated, "Over the summer we heard about a lot of

suicides within celebrities and while planning out these organizations, we kept thinking like, 'well what is the most effective thing that we could do for our students? And we thought why not have someone from Active Minds actually come down and give a presentation that is dedicated to suicide prevention."

Nonprofit organization, the Matthew Silverman Memorial

Foundation, funded the event, said Callejos, because the club could not cover the price of the event due to budget costs.

Stephanie Guerrero, anthropology major, thought that the topic presented in the workshop was "very important because this is something that we see a lot in society but people don't want to talk about it since it's a really difficult topic to approach and sometimes people want to help but we don't know how to."

Fein shared how she thinks talking about suicide prevention and awareness is important for college students, "I think it's critical for peers to understand how to recognize when their friends and loved ones are struggling because what we see is that vast majority of the time,

"Somebody who is struggling is going to tell their friend before they tell a professional or a family member, so it's really critical that we know how to respond in a productive way and get them to the help that they need."

Callejos hopes for a larger QPR workshop in the future.

She stated, "Honestly, I wanted it to be a big event, but then I just realized if it impacts one person then I think we did the job right.

"I think it went well, I think it really helped, I know it helped me, and I just hope that in the future maybe we can have this in an even bigger scale, I think that would be wonderful."



**ELIZABETH CORCOLES** 

News

**Link Program**: Pamela Sepulveda, presenter and therapist from Casa Youth Shelter, explains the importance of knowing how to cope with feelings and behavior. Sepulveda presented on Sept. 27.

# First feelings and coping workshop in almost 5 years

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It has been about five years since the Feelings and Coping Skills workshop made its way to Cerritos College, and students filled the class as they learned information as to coping with their feelings.

Presenter, therapist and social worker for Casa Youth Shelter, Pamela Sepulveda, led the presentation and explained the importance of learning to cope and understand one's feelings and behavior.

Shannon Estrada, re-entry resource center specialist, said this particular workshop was requested by the Link Program on campus.

Feelings and behavior are two different things, Sepulveda

explained, "Feelings are internal, while a behavior is an action."

Sepulveda elaborated to the students in attendance that once they learn how to express themselves and practice the emotions they have, they will have a better threshold on knowing what they are feelings.

She explained the importance saying that when one does not listen to their feelings, the nervous system will take over and that is when the urge to, "fight, flight or freeze," will take over the body.

The same is said with emotional baggage, said Sepulveda.

"Our baggage stays with us and we continue to hold onto our baggage, only for it to get bigger and bigger."

Sepulveda encouraged students to connect with their emotions and practice knowing what feelings are what, so they can have a better understanding of coping mechanisms.

Sepulveda suggests exercise, healthy foods, spending time with friends and breathing.

According to Sepulveda, the "I don't know" answer is another way people don't deal with their feelings.

"'I don't know' answers means we don't know how we feel or don't want to share how we feel," said Sepulveda.

Sepulveda's goal is to not not force people to find help if they are not ready, but hopes they will start a conversation that will lead them to the help they need.

With Sepulveda's final words of advice, she said her three rules to behavior are, "Don't hurt yourself, don't hurt anyone else and don't destroy other people's property."

## California 'to the rescue' on sexual harrassment

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California could be the first state to call for action against sexual harassment if five bills are passed. These are the five critical bills that could benefit the workplace especially from any harassment incidents in the future.

Governor Jerry Brown is expected to sign five bills: AB 1870, SB 224, SB 1343, SB 1300 and AB 3080

According to the Los Angeles Times, Brown is under intense lobbying to veto SB 1300, which would do away with non-disparagement clauses that are slipped into routine paperwork employees must sign when they're hired or offered a raise.

Title IX Coordinator of the Cerritos College Office of Human Resource Services Dr. Valyncia Raphael states, "Many of these bills relate to the workplace and it's important for Cerritos College to be aware and our state will be leading in this."

Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 is federal law for any institution that receives federal funding stating that it cannot discriminate against sex, gender and sexual orientation.

Dr. Raphael believes that it is always important for people to be aware of any potential harm.

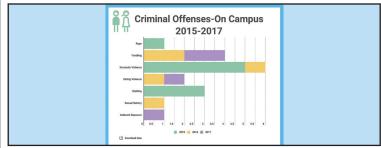
Raphael said, "Students are working or transitioning into the workforce and we as members [Human Resources Service member] to encourage students to pursue action on it."

Cerritos College Student Affairs Program facilitator Amber Dofner said, "There are programs on campus about Title IX to educate students and provide them a voice based on their own experience."

Cerritos College Police Department Chief of Police Tom Gallivan said, "Campus police is [more strict] on enforcement when sexual harassment rises to violation of a law especially for any incidents of domestic violence and bullying into assault."

He said, "By standard intervention, if you can safely intervene and could prevent classroom incidents such as bullying or harassment from happening."

Gallivan encourages students to speak up if they see anything going on campus.



EUNICE BARRON

### UPCOMING CAMPUS EVENTS

#### Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday LGBTQ+ Month: Vogue Oedipus the King by the House Down! **Sophocles Domestic Violence** 11 a.m.- 12:15 p.m. 8 p.m. **Awareness Month Burnight Studio Theater Student Center** Oedipus the King Fall 2018 Workshop series, **Making Strides Against** Career Development, Safe Zone by Sophocles **Limits on Financial Aid** Internships and Research for **Breast Cancer** 9 a.m.- 1p.m. 8 p.m. 2-3:30 p.m. 3-6 p.m. **Undergraduate STEM Students Liberal Arts Building Burnight Studio Theater Financial Aid Falcon Square** 11 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. **Resource Center** Science 201 **Undocumented Student How the Chicano Study Abroad in Florence Jazz Showcase** Queer Coffee **Student Movement Week of Action: Free Information Session** 9:30- 11:30 a.m. 7 p.m. **Created Chicano Studies** immigration consultation w/ 3 p.m. **Burnight Center Theater Student Center** lawyer Naomi Cruz 11 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. LA 103 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. LC 155 26 **Zombie Fest 2018 Latinx Awareness Month:** 11 a.m. **Hidden Patriots** 11 a.m.- 12:15 p.m. **Falcon Square** Science 201 31 November 1 **Latinx Awareness Month:** Dia de Muertos 11 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. **Falcon Square**

## Opinion

### Don't just listen to the accused, give the victim a chance



JAKE KOEPPE/FREELANCE ILLUSTRATOR

Supreme Court Justice nominee Brett Kavanaugh was accused of sexual assault and people are being scummy enough to blame the alleged victim and spend time defending Kavanaugh which could be better spent properly investigating and questioning whether he is fit to be on the supreme court.

On Thursday Sept. 28, Christine Blasey Ford came before the Senate Judiciary to tell her emotional and gut-wrenching story of when she alleges Kavanaugh sexually assaulted her. This caused an uproar of negative comments bashing not only her story, but her character.

People who don't take the time

to try to understand sexual assault and the lifelong effects it can have on a person ignorantly question why she didn't speak up when the incident happened over 40 years

They don't understand why Ford is choosing to speak up now, or they think that she's only doing it as part of some sick political ploy to keep a Republican out of the Supreme Court.

Innocent until proven guilty is an age old rule that most people abide by though the degree to which people stick to it when someone is accused of sexual assault is downright ridiculous.

If you don't want to believe someone is capable of sexual assault until after a court proves otherwise that's fine, but that does not allow you to bash and drag their victims through the mud.

When victims of sexual assault witness someone come forward about what happened to them and all they see is them being attacked across the media it only encourages them to remain silent.

What's the point of coming forward if your abuser is just going to be protected by their peers and strangers on the internet?

Sexual assault is traumatic, victims already feel a sense of guilt and self loathing that they were to blame for the atrocious acts committed against them, they don't need to hear people

who don't understand a single thing about assault agreeing with these thoughts.

When someone is sexual assaulted they don't just have to worry about what society thinks of them and what happened, they have to worry about having to face their abuser once again.

Fear, humiliation, denial. There are just so many contributing factors that could keep someone from speaking up a long time, even over 40 years.

The only way to fix this problem and it's to educate society on what leads to sexual assault and victims' struggles.

Sexual assault is never about the sex itself, it's about the power it gives the abuser, power over someone else's will.

This why people who are already in positions of power or people who feel as if they lack power are most often ones who commit such crimes in the first

Those in power do it to maintain and enforce that feeling, while those who are not in such positions do it in order to feel some form of it, even if its as twisted as by traumatizing someone for life.

Family, friends and professionals must help the victim overcome and defeat the trauma as seriously as any other crime of violence.

Rape culture in America has become a cultural norm and that is devastatingly horrific.

The truth of this is ugly, but when we deny the obvious we grant sexual predators to be free with little to no repercussions.

By allowing rape culture to continue, even if it is due to ignorance, we continue to let down sexual assault survivors and we

give them no confidence to speak

Just take a look at previous scandals, this is not the first time a man in power has been accused and convicted of sexual assault.

Our president, for example, has had over 20 women accuse him of sexual assault, but it continues to be swept under the rug.

It comes to no surprise that Trump has repeatedly stood up for Kavanaugh, stating that he is a very good person and this is all an effort to "delay, obstruct, and resist" his nomination.

It seems to be some kind of cycle with men in power in America resulting in no change in policy when it comes to background checks.

If Kavanaugh claims not to have done anything wrong then what's wrong letting the FBI investigated his background? Why is it wrong to check into his past and prove his claims are true?

Republicans need to stop protecting him and being so ambitious for power with Kavanaugh's nomination.

This case is about a woman who has been traumatized by this incident for many years, meanwhile men like Kavanaugh move forward with their lives as if nothing happened.

Kavanaugh can accusations, but the truth will come out and he will eventually pay the price.

We must help the victims who have had these horrifying experiences by giving them the support and attention they deserve, and by spreading awareness of the true cause of sexual assault.

Society must stop spending all its time focusing on the accused and invest some in the victims and making their voices heard.

#### Free Speech Zone

Due to Republicans coming to the defense of Brett Kavanaugh by stating that he was just a young adult when the events of the alleged sexual assault occurred, students around Cerritos were asked to give their thoughts on the matter.

Should people be held accountable for things they did as young adults?

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Liliana Gonzalez **Animation major** 

"I think when you're forcing someone [referring to Kavanaugh's sexual assault allegations] to do something they don't want to you should be aware that it's wrong. Yes, you should be held accountable."



Mechanical engineering major

"Absolutely. It doesn't matter how old you are or what mindset you had, there are things in this world that you know should not be done. Even if you can justify them now as an adult."



Communications studies major

"Yes. [When you're a young adult] you're living out on your own, you should know right from wrong. If you willingly do something, why not face the consequences for that action."



Undecided

"Yeah, because even if time has passed they still did those things. It's like if you committed a murder years ago and there's evidence now, you'll have to go to jail for

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### Professor's art featured at Rio Hondo

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The Rio Hondo College art gallery showcased dozens of art pieces, all of which were abstract paintings by Cerritos College art professor, Hagop Najarian, from Sept. 4 to Oct. 2.

Najarian hosted a closing reception on Sept. 30 for his art exhibit entitled, "Hagop Najarian: Atonal Chromatics," with help from Rio Hondo's art gallery director, Robert Miller.

For a Sunday afternoon, the turnout was pleasantly large.

The energy and ambiance of the room was calm and welcoming.

The pieces showcased were paintings that Najarian had worked on for about two years.

Many of the pieces exhibited were made at a residency he participated in over the summer and were influenced by music, Najarian said.

The musical inspiration Najarian referred to was jazz and classical music. Being a musician, he said, helped him create his paintings.

With composers like Stravinsky and Bartok, Najarian said his painting are "in response to the way one feels when is hearing"



**ELIZABETH CORCOLES** 

**Abstract art:** Hagop Najarian, art professor at Cerritos College, with Robert Miller, art director of Rio Hondo College at Narjarian's exhibit, Hagop Najarian: Atonal Chromatics. Opening day was Sept. 4 and closing reception was on Sept. 30.

music.

His way of incorporating music into his paintings is "reflecting the same emotions," people feel when listening to music and people can get whatever they feel

off of his paintings.

Najarian described his painting process as the "most liberating...It was the closest to making music for me."

As well as Najarian's art work

being abstract, he says, "well just because they're abstract, I'm hoping people don't feel as if they can't understand them.

"I would ask anyone to think of the feeling you get from certain musical pieces that inspire you."

Watching Najarian's work develop over a decade, Miller says he's always wanted to work with Najarian and took the opportunity to showcase him.

While putting on a solo show is, as Miller said, "a tremendous amount of work," Najarian had the body of artwork that "has a beautiful flow to it and beautiful movement."

Miller explains, "When I run this gallery, I look for shows where the work will influence students, so it's really a teaching gallery."

Following his solo exhibit, Najarian will be curating the next theme at the art gallery at Cerritos College, with art director, James MacDevitt.

"I've picked five artists, mainly painters and some doing threedimensional work," explained Najarian.

The exhibit will be Polychromatic Mojo: color as content.

As well as being invited to showcase at other galleries, Najarian said, "it has been a blessing for this show and the other one I will be in as well."

The opening reception of "Hagop Najarian: Atonal Chromatics," generated over 100 students, faculty and artists, said Miller.

# Bianca Bitches: Dear men, it's not a woman's fault that you can't get laid

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Dear "involuntarily celibate" men, it's not a woman's fault that they don't want to have sex with you, it's yours.

Involuntarily celibate men are those delusional enough to think that women are shallow and don't want to go out with them because of their appearance, and thus hate and blame women for not wanting to have sex with them.

The basis of this way of thinking stems from the fact that some

men feel that they are entitled to sex with a woman just because it is considered a natural function.

The concept of toxic masculinity, or machismo, plays a major role in laying down the groundwork behind the delusional beliefs held by incels.

In actuality, toxic masculinity plays a major role whenever violent, sexual, or authoritative acts are carried out by men against women.

Brett Kavanaugh is the most current example of toxic masculinity and transferring the thought that men are entitled to a woman's body.

Most incels think that women don't want to have sex with

them because women focus too much on appearances.

In actuality, majority of women prefer personality over appearance when finding a partner.

So, incels, unfurl your neanderthal brow for just a second and do some critical thinking, women don't want to have sex with you because of your "ugly" appearance, they don't want to have sex with you because you

have a shitty personality.

A woman isn't going to drop their panties for some scummy guy who refers to a woman as a slut just because.

A woman's sexuality is not free game for men to take advantage of because incel's still believe in the archaic construct that because men have a penis and women have a vagina that they must have sex with each other like bunnies in heat.

So, self-proclaimed incels, grow the fuck up and take responsibility for your self-inflicted abstinence, and don't project your sexual frustration onto women.

Some incels take on violent and misogynistic ideals, that involve raping and/or murdering women, and still have the nerve to question why they're not in a relationship.

While we are on the subject of men murdering women, there has been a couple of incels who have actually murdered women, and then were applauded by fellow incels for their actions.

Elliot Rodger and Alek Minassian were both self-proclaimed incels and have both committed violent acts due to their radical incel idealization.

Minassian killed 10 people and

injured more than a dozen in Toronto, Canada after driving a van through crowded streets.

Rodger shot and killed six people and attempted to enter a sorority in Isla Vista, he also openly expressed incel ideas online.

Reddit has even banned incels for their hate speech and violent attitudes directed towards women, but I don't think it should stop there.

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It's time to cut the "me, Tarzan. You, Jane" crap and realize that the days of being uncouth cretins are over.

BIANCA MARTINEZ

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We, as a society, must stop putting so much emphasis on male privilege and that men are robust beings that grab women against their will, drape them over their shoulder and have their way with them.

It's time to cut the "me, Tarzan. You, Jane" crap and realize that

the days of being uncouth cretins, are over.

Here's the thing, incels want to be in a relationship that doesn't involve the important aspects of a healthy relationship. Incels only want the part of the relationship that involves having sexual intercourse on a regular basis.

Nothing says boyfriend material like a guy who would rather rape you than participate in the aspects of an intimate relationship.

Well, sweethearts, you can't have your cake and eat it too.

Why can't we, as a society, recognize how screwed up incel ideals are?

The concept of incels is essentially radicalized male privilege.

These men feel victimized by women for something as benign as being rejected, yet they do not comprehend that women are victimized on a never-ending basis.

If incels want to get laid so much, they must stop with the self-entitlement and self-pity and take responsibility for their own disposition, maybe then they won't have to depend on their hand for an intimate companion.

For more of 'Bianca Bitches' visit talonmarks.com

## A & E



ELIZABETH CORCOLES

**Virtual Self:** DJ Porter Robinson at the NOS event center as alias, Virtual Self. The event gathered fans from Robinson's pervious work, and new work on Sept. 28.

## Virtual Self gave fans a night of trance heaven



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DJ Porter Robinson, who played as his alias, Virtual Self, brought many of his old fans and new fans together for an extraordinary night of technic-Utopia and storytelling visuals. Virtual Self exceeded all expectations and left fans in awe with stunning visuals and re-mixes of his five track EP.

The night started off on a hot, muggy and foggy stage on Sept. 28 at the NOS Event Center with openers Danny L Harle and Raito setting the crowd up for Virtual Self.

While the room wasn't filled entirely, Harle and Riato had their own sets and pumped up fans with their build up of tempo and dropping the bass, having moments of huge and energetic reactions from the audience.

Robinson's sets incorporate anime artwork, futuristic settings

and include amazing lighting, and as Virtual Self, he maintained the same high-quality his fans were expecting.

At 10:15 p.m., exactly, Virtual Self made his way onstage and the roaring of the crowd was overwhelming with excitement.

Starting his set with "Ghost Voices" off of his self-titled EP, "Virtual Self," he followed the beat into a mix of darker electrohouse style music.



GETTY IMAGES

**Snowglobe:** Porter Robinson performs during the 2017 SnowGlobe Music Festival on Dec. 30, 2017.

Virtual Self had fans dancing and headbanging along, while others watched in admiration.

The visuals always tell a story when he plays as Porter Robinson and Virtual Self.

Virtual Self included two characters in the storyline, one of which was Technic-Angel, the upbeat and high tempo side, and the other being Pathselector, the darker and hard-pounding bass side.

The visuals and lighting went along with the beat -- when the beat got dark and heavy, with tracks like "a.i.ngel (Become God)" fans could feel the beat inside them, just vibrating away with Pathselector in background

The mere two hours of Virtual Self's set felt like a lifetime, but only because of the dehydration and it being nearly 90 degrees in the pit.

While his EP incorporated the style of Dance Dance Revolution, which is clearly different from his previous album "Worlds," Robinson continues to hold a large following in the EDM world and continues to grow and make music that leaves his fans in awe.

## Three new horror releases for this spooky season



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It's October, which means Halloween is just around the corner and what a better way to prepare for this horrific holiday season than by checking out these latest horror films out in theaters later this month.

#### "Halloween", Oct. 19

The classic movie gets a continuation in this 2018 rendition, 40 years have passed since Laurie Strode survived an attack from crazed killer Michael Myers. When transferring Myers to an institution a mishap leads to his escape and return to Haddonfield, Ill. However, this time Strode is prepared for the terrifying showdown to come.

#### "Suspiria", Oct. 26

At the center of a worldrenowned dance company, darkness swirls and takes the troupe's artistic director, an ambitious young dancer and a grieving psychotherapist along with it. Watch to find out who will succumb to the nightmare and who will finally wake up.

#### "Killer Kate", Oct. 26

Upon the request of their dying father, Kate attends her sister's bachelorette party. What was expected to be a fun weekend in a remote cabin, booked via a home sharing app, soon becomes a horrifying fight for survival.

However, if those movies don't satisfy you or you'd rather spend your time watching some scary stuff back home, Netflix will be streaming a "Netflix and Chills" section on more horror movies this month.

Some of the films coming to Netflix include The Shining, The Conjuring, Hush, and Oculus. So there's definitely a wide variety of movies to watch to help get anyone in the scary holiday mood.

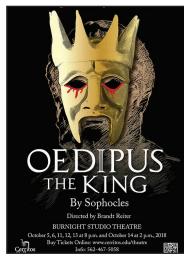
However, if scary isn't your type of movie, Freeform will be showing their 31 Nights of Halloween, showing the classic "Hocus Pocus," "The Nightmare Before Christmas," "The Goonies" and so many more.



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**Halloween:** This is the time for jumps and scares and the movies listed above will surely give you the quivers. Snuggle up, and get ready to enjoy the 28 remaining days of October.

### Don't miss these spooktacular events/shows in October



COURTESY OF CERRITOS COLLEGE Oedipus: The theater program at Cerritos College will be performing Oedipus the King. Opening day is Oct.

5 and will follow five more shows.

#### **Campus events:**

#### Oct. 4

• LGBTQ+ Month: Vogue the house down!

#### Oct. 5

- Oedipus The King, by Sophocles play
- Geo-Ontological: Artists Contemplating Deep Time

#### Oct. 15

 Undocumented students week of action

#### Oct. 18

• Jazz Showcase

#### This week on Netflix:

#### Oct. 4

- "Creeped Out" Season 1
- "The Haunting of Molly Hartley"

#### Oct. 5

- "Elite: Season 1"
- "Malevolent"

#### Oct. 12

- "Apostle"
- "Errementari: The Blacksmith and the Devil"

#### Oct. 19

"Haunted"

#### Festivals/Events:

#### Now-Oct. 31

• The 17th door: Crybaby, Fullerton

#### Now-Oct. 31

• Horrorworld, Rowland Heights

#### Oct. 20

 Demon Dayz Festival, Los Angeles

#### Oct. 26

Escape Psycho Circus, Sa Bernandino



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**The Haunting of Molly Hartley:** Chace Crawford at the 2012 premiere of What to Expect When You're Expecting in New York.

## Winning streak: 9-0 for Women's Soccer

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The Women's Cerritos College Soccer team remain undefeated following the 3-0 win against Southwestern College at home on Sept. 30, from the kickoff Cerritos controlled with possession of the ball for more than half of the game.

Sophomore forward No. 10 Sydney Carr scored a goal late in the game that would tie for first place in two state categories, goals this season with 16 and points with 41.

The Falcons suffered an injury in the first 10 minutes of the game as sophomore forward No. 9 Mia Ramirez suffered a leg injury, she was declared out for the game.

Head coach Ruben Gonzalez said, "We have to wait till she gets an MRI to find out if she would be back for the season, but right now it does not look good."

Sophomore defender No. 6 Brianna Yepez was on the field when the injury happened, she said, "The first girl [Ramirez] that got injured is not looking good, I don't think she will be back for season."

The Falcons are currently the number one ranked team in the country and they proved why as they shut out Southwestern and added three goals on the game.

Cerritos at the half had racked up two goals, first coming in



CARLOS RUIZ

**Undefeated:** Sophomore forward No. 10 Sydney Carr shielding the ball away from one of the Southwestern College defenders. Carr had two goals and an assist in the match-up at Cerritos College against Southwestern College on Sept. 30, 2018.

the 17th minute by Carr, The second was scored by sophomore forward No. 11 Serena Camacho in the 31st minute.

Yepez said, "I know we shouldn't complain about the weather, field or anything but it was pretty hot with our long sleeves however that shouldn't get to us."

Camacho felt the team played slow in the first half, but stepped up in the second, she said "I think we started out kind of slow we've had plenty of games and practices this week, I think the team came back from that and we played together."

The Falcons will follow this win with a trip to El Camino College for a conference matchup on Oct. 05.

Gonzalez feels his team is ready to play hard saying, "We

have El Camino away next Friday so it's always tough to play on the road, we just hope we can come out with a lot of intensity and get the W."

Camacho is very confident in her team she ended with, "We are always ready."

# Shmackem: High ceiling for playoff bound Dodgers



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Although the Los Angeles Dodgers did not rack up 100 wins this year equaling a 66 percent chance to make the World Series—with 92 wins on the season, the team still has a great chance of advancing deep into the postseason.

The Dodgers needed an extra game to clinch the National League - West

Division title for the sixth time in a row on Oct. 1, besting the Colorado Rockies with a 5-2 win.

The main focal point for Dodgers' manager Dave Roberts should be making the right rotations, which is one feature, fans have knocked him for, along with taking too many risks.

For the post season, Roberts should stick with the guys he trusts and the rotations that have worked well up to this point.

Starting pitcher Clayton Kershaw is still the Dodgers' best ace of all time, but for this team to go far in the playoffs, pitcher Walker Buehler should be relied upon more heavily.

Kershaw has struggled as of late. However, he's deserving of a significant role in the playoffs, just not over Buehler at least until he gets back to being himself, the best pitcher in MLB.

Buehler was the man in the Dodgers' NL West clincher.

Buehler did not give up a hit to the Rockies until inning No. 5 and Buehler even got his first Runs Batted In - single of his career, leading to a score.

The Dodgers won the NL West, while being one of the last teams to secure a postseason berth. Now that the boys in blue are in the playoffs, anything can happen with the chance to make the World Series in back to back seasons.

FiveThirtyEight.com, a website that uses statistical analysis to make predictions, gave the 2018 Dodgers the highest odds to reach the World Series at 44 percent.

The Dodgers can definitely make it to the World Series and win it all.

## Sports Schedule

#### **Cross Country**

- Oct. 5, at Irvine Regional Park (Orange)
   M: 10 a.m.
   W: 10:45 a.m.
- Oct. 13, at UC Riverside AG-OPS Course (Riverside) M: 8 a.m. W: 8:30 a.m.

#### Football

- Oct. 13, 1 p.m. against Fullerton College
- Oct. 20, 6 p.m. against San Diego Mesa College
- Oct. 21, 6 p.m. against Mt. San Antonio College

Oct. 5, against

Oct. 9, against

W: 2 p.m.

El Camino College

W: 2 p.m. M: 4 p.m.

**Long Beach City College** 

M: 4 p.m.

#### Volleyball

- Oct. 3, 6 p.m. against El Camino College
- Oct. 5, 6 p.m. against Los Angeles Trade-Tech
- Oct. 10, 6 p.m. against Long Beach City College

#### **Water Polo**

- Oct. 3, against

  Chaffey College

  W: 3 p.m. M: 4:30 p.m.
- W: Oct. 12, 10:10 a.m. against ELAC @ Citrus Tournament

#### Wrestling

- Oct. 10, 7:30 p.m. against *Palomar College*
- Oct. 17, 7 p.m. against Santa Ana College
- Oct. 24, 7:30 p.m. against **Rio Hondo College**

Italics: Away event **Bold**: Home event

M: Men's team W: Women's team

## Sports

## Record breaking game ends in loss



Record Breaker: Sophomore running back No. 3 Rhamondre Stevenson carrying the defensive line on his back and pushing through to gain yardage. Stevenson set the Falcons' school record in single-game rushing yards with 339 in the game at Cerritos College against Long Beach City College on Sept. 29, 2018.

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Cerritos College faced off against its long awaited rivals Long Beach City College on Sept. 29 in what turned out to be a loss of 32-46 for the team, but was also a record breaking game for sophomore running back No. 3 Rhamondre Stevenson.

Stevenson had a record breaking night rushing for 339 yards and three touchdowns. He would break former-Falcon running back Jermaine Whiten's 308 single game rushing yards record set back in 2002.

Head coach Dean Grosfeld was not surprised by Stevenson's performance as he said, "Rhamondre is hands down the best running back in the state they know it, everybody knows it. I don't say it cause he plays for us, but he's honest to goodness the best junior college running back in football."

Through the first quarter, the Falcons went scoreless as the offense struggled early while LBCC went on the offensive and tacked on seven points in the first quarter ending 7-0.

In the second quarter, the Falcons first touchdown was on the first play of their fourth drive when Stevenson took it the distance for 70 yards to give the Falcons their first and only lead of the game 13-10.

Later in the second quarter, the Falcons would cough up a turnover on offense giving the ball back to the Vikings, who scored again leading the Falcons 17-13 into halftime.

Grosfeld felt his team was not playing to their full potential, he said, "We played really bad and that's what we talked about anybody watching it can see it.

"We are making too many errors I mean the fumbles on the kicking game they lead to two touchdowns, we lost the game by two touchdowns."

He continued, "...We are very young so we are still trying to train them, they don't understand that they can't give those opportunities to a good team without them coming back and firing on them."

Sophomore quarterback No. 11 Isaiah Bravo said, "We beat ourselves and that's the second game in a row we beat ourselves

"We had so many turnovers and it starts with me. In first half I couldn't execute and we can only go as far as I can take them in the sense of setting up the plays."

However, the Falcons would strike again halfway through the third quarter where Stevenson

would break multiple tackles to run for a huge 60 yard touchdown to keep the game close 19-31.

Heading into the fourth, with a bunch of momentum off of Stevenson's touchdown, Cerritos defense would stop the Vikings offense on the next drive to force them to punt.

On the next Cerritos offensive drive, Stevenson would have reservations for six carrying the rock for a 90 yard touchdown. This run broke the single game rushing record.

Stevenson said, "I did pretty

good, my line opened up some pretty huge holes for me."

Cerritos was inching closer with the score now 25-31.

Cerritos defense would lose its momentum letting the Vikings score four minutes later, extending its lead 38-25.

This wouldn't stop Cerritos from scoring again when Bravo hit wide receiver No. 5 C.J. Parks on a slant route, who muscled his way to the end zone. The score was now 32-38 with LBCC still leading.

Cerritos attempted an onside kick at kickoff, but was unsuccessful giving great field starting position for the Vikings.

Grosfeld also had his thoughts on the kick saying it wasn't the right thing to do he said, "We are down by seven points and we are going kick the ball off and he gives them the ball at the fifty yard line and two plays later they go and score, so it's just selfishness."

LBCC would counter off Cerritos and score another touchdown to extend their lead 46-32.

Cerritos kept on fighting to score as quickly as possible but would fail to do so as LBCC would hold on to win the game 46-32 and give Cerritos their second straight loss.

Parks stated after the game on what was a problem for Cerritos the whole game, "We had a lot of mental mistakes, we beat ourselves."

The Falcons will have a bye week and then will play at Fullerton college on Oct. 13 to play in

their first conference match.



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Run!: Sophomore running back No. 3 Rhamondre Stevenson rushing the ball in attempt to gain the first down for the Falcons. Cerritos College lost the match-up against Long Beach City College 32-46 on Sept. 29, 2018.

Full story on talonmarks.com