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El Camino College to Celebrate Grand Opening of New Learning Resources Center

Noted authors Ray Bradbury and Eva Brown will be featured guests as El Camino College celebrates the grand opening of the new Learning Resources Center. The festivities will run from 3 to 5 p.m. October 20 at the west entrance to the El Camino College Schauerman Library.

Bradbury, author of "Fahrenheit 451," "The Illustrated Man," and other noted books, will offer a brief presentation at the ribbon cutting, and will be signing copies of some of his books.

The program will also feature the unveiling of the El Camino College Schauerman Library's Eva Brown Peace and Tolerance Collection, located in the north wing of the library. Ms. Brown, a survivor of the Holocaust, will also be signing copies of her book, "If You Save One Life."

"As we celebrate the opening of another new facility on campus, we are pleased to invite our community to visit campus to experience first-hand the progress we are making in campus improvements. The Learning Resource Center is one more enhancement to better serve the academic needs of our students," said Thomas M. Fallo, president of El Camino College. "We also welcome these esteemed authors to the grand opening and are honored they are able to join us for this event."

The Learning Resources Center is a wing of the Schauerman Library, opening just a few months after the completion of the state-of-the-art Humanities Building, the first completely new academic building on the Torrance-area campus in nearly 40 years. The \$13 million Learning Resources Center, along with the Humanities Building and other campus improvements, was funded by Measure E.

The new Learning Resources Center includes a basic skills lab, campus archives, the Ella Rose Madden Nursing Collection, a used bookstore, and a digital processing center. In addition, it houses the Distance Education/Incubator Conference Center, designed to foster innovative approaches to the educational process by enabling faculty to experiment with flexible learning environments and technologies, enhancing student interaction by encouraging active learning and student involvement.

Another open house of the new facility will be available Oct. 21 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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