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## **El Camino College Anthropology Museum Presents New Exhibit**

The El Camino College Anthropology Museum presents a new exhibit for the 2008-09 academic year, titled: "Our Bodies: Vessels of Expression." An opening reception for this exhibit is scheduled from 7 to 9 p.m. Dec. 3. Refreshments will be served at this event, which is free of charge and open to the public.

Since long before recorded history, humans have altered the natural appearance of their bodies, from acts as simple as putting lime in their hair, to tattooing and scarification. In industrial societies, tattooing and piercing have moved from societies' fringes to mainstream acceptance.

Students in the El Camino College Museum Studies program have mounted an exhibit in the Anthropology Museum's gallery which explores not only the varied cultural approaches taken to the presentation of the body in Asia, the circum-Pacific region and in modern North America, but also shows how the motivations and approaches taken to body modification have changed through time.

The El Camino College Anthropology Museum is on the third floor of the Art and Behavioral Sciences Building (Room 301), next to the Marsee Auditorium and near the corner of Redondo Beach and Crenshaw boulevards.

Immediately following the reception, the Anthropology Museum will be open 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. The museum will be closed during the college's winter break, starting Dec. 13, and will reopen in February. The gallery is wheelchair accessible via a ramp and elevator. For more information call 310-660-3580 or 310-660-3735.

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