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El Camino College to Sponsor Third Annual Guitar Festival

The public is invited to attend El Camino College's Third Annual Guitar Festival, scheduled for May 4-5. The festival includes two full days of concerts, clinics and master classes, with representatives from guitar programs from nearly every college and university in the area. All activities and clinics are free and open to the public.

The event features volunteer clinicians who will teach master classes on various styles of guitar, including classical, rock/metal, and jazz. Clinicians and their workshops include: German Schauss, from the LA Music Academy faculty, rock guitar workshop, 4 p.m. May 4; Matt Greif, ECC faculty, classical guitar workshop, 10 a.m. May 5; and Bruce Foreman, USC faculty, studio/jazz guitar workshop, 1 p.m. May 5. All guitar workshops will take place in the Music Building, Room 134.

One highlight of the festival is the "Martha Masters Resident Artist Concert" at 8 p.m. May 4 at Marsee Auditorium. Tickets are available for \$15 at the Marsee box office, or go to www.CenterfortheArts.org to purchase online.

An interactive panel discussion and question and answer period titled "Career Paths for Guitarists in the Music Industry" is also part of the celebration, set for 3 p.m. May 5. Students interested in pursuing a career in music will gain insights into the industry from this discussion.

The festival wraps up with "Guitar Frenzy," a concert showcasing the talents of guitar ensembles from area colleges & high schools, set for 7 p.m. May 5 in the college's Marsee Theater.

All those interested in the guitar are invited to attend this event – clinic participants should be 14 years old and above. Parking on the El Camino College campus costs \$2. For more information, go to www.ECCGuitar.com.

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