



News & Notes

An update from the Public Relations Office ■ February 2019

'Tis the season for **honors, events and recognition**, and Collin College has been in the middle of that and more. Here are some highlights of what's occurred, and what's yet to come.

1. Collin College honored by McKinney Chamber of Commerce

- Named **"Outstanding Business of the Year"** at the chamber's annual Community Awards Banquet on Feb. 22
- Presented to a business that has enhanced the economy of McKinney through its long-term successful operation
- College was acknowledged for exhibiting **community involvement, innovative leadership, and exemplifying outstanding customer service**
- Noted for impact of the McKinney Campus, Collin Higher Education Center, and the new Public Safety Training Center
- Presentation video available through Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=2135581836489542>



2. Continuing Education website relaunch at collin.edu

- The migration of the Continuing Education website is complete
- CE is **now a part of the main collin.edu template**
- Full CE catalog available in downloadable PDF format
- Home page links to CE Health Sciences, Law/Fire, Corporate College, Grant-funded Training
- Visit www.collin.edu/ce

3. Forces literary & arts journal to celebrate 30th Anniversary

- Annual publication sponsored by the Humanities and Communications and Fine Arts divisions
- Features poetry, fiction, photography, and visual art from members of the Collin College community
- This year's publication is the 30th anniversary edition
- **Special reception Wednesday, March 27**, from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Plano Campus Conference Center
- Details: <https://collin.campuslabs.com/engage/event/2971361>

4. Collin converges on Austin for Community College Day

- 153 students, plus faculty, staff, administrators and board members visited the state capitol Jan. 30
- Met with numerous state representatives and toured the capitol grounds
- Delegation was **recognized in the gallery during that day's House session**
- Attended a discussion organized by the Texas Association of Community Colleges

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5. Annual Book-in-Common events set for March

- Sponsored each year by the Academic Affairs, Center for Scholarly and Civic Engagement, and Book-in-Common Faculty Committee
- This year's selection is *Death in the Air: The True Story of a Serial Killer, the Great London Smog, and the Strangling of a City*
- **Events with author Kate Winkler Dawson include:**
 - Presentation, Monday 3/25, 7 p.m. at Frisco Campus Conference Center
 - Writer's workshop, Tuesday 3/26, 10 a.m., Plano Campus Conference Center
 - Presentation, Tuesday 3/26, 7 p.m. at Plano Campus Conference Center
 - Presentation, Wednesday 3/27, 1 p.m. at McKinney Campus Conference Center
- Details: <http://www.collin.edu/academics/bookincommon/>

6. 'Footloose' on stage at Collin College

- Featuring **six nightly performances** March 5-10
- **Two matinee performances** the weekend of March 9-10
- On stage at the John Anthony Theatre, Plano Campus
- Oscar- and Tony-nominated Top 40 score
- Soundtrack album reached No. 1 on Billboard charts, sold 15 million copies
- Visit <https://collin.universitytickets.com> to purchase tickets



MORE FINE ARTS EVENTS ON TAP FOR MARCH

- **“Phil Shore: Telling Stories,” a sculpture exhibition**, is on display at THE ARTS gallery, Room A175 on the Plano Campus, through March 20
- Influence by Shore's travels and the study of Ancient Greek archaeological artifacts
- Gallery open Mon-Thu until 8 p.m., Fri-Sat. until 3 p.m.
- Admission is free, open to the public
- Details: www.collin.edu/theartsgallery
- From the Music Department, the **Collin Jazz Festival and Concerts** will take place March 29-30
- **Guest artist is Chad Lefkowitz-Brown**, New York-based saxophonist, band leader and recording artist
- Friday concert will feature the Collin Jazz Faculty
- Saturday concert will feature the Jazz Lab Band and the Jazztet small group
- Visit <https://collin.universitytickets.com> to purchase tickets
- **Download the spring Fine Arts brochure** at www.collin.edu/finearts