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President's Visit to Beijing



Jason Nam and President Tomaneng with staff from Chinese School of Language and Literature

President Tomaneng traveled to Beijing, China before spring break with BCC/PCCD International Education partner and liaison, Jason Nam, from SY Academy. While there, President Tomaneng met with current and potential University and International Studies partners, including University of International Studies, Business and

Economics and Minzu University. Contract Education, Summer Exchange for faculty and students, and International Student academic pathways were discussed. In addition to career education programs like Aviation Maintenance Technology, there is growing interest in Multimedia Arts.



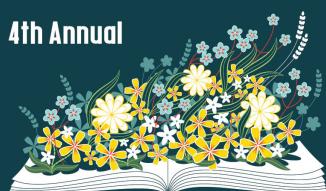
At the University of International Business and Economics

BCC Partners with the 2018 Bay Area Book Festival, 2018

This year Berkeley City College is an official venue of the 2018 Bay Area Book Festival. On Saturday, April 28, BCC will host 5 sessions on campus in the Auditorium from 10am–6pm. A limited amount of all access wristbands for Saturday, April 28 will be available in the Library starting April 16th.

Each year the Bay Area Book Festival brings together 50,000 people with 250 of the world's most respected authors for a weekend packed with performances, interviews, and discussions on ten stages, all within a few minutes' walk of each other. Festival goers browse in a vibrant free outdoor fair of literary exhibitors, activities for all ages, and food vendors. There's even a mini-film festival curated by the Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive (BAMPFA) and by the co-director of the Telluride Film Festival. At only four years old, the Bay Area Book Festival is one of the nation's top literary events.
#BayBookFest BayBookFest.org

4th Annual



**BAY AREA
BOOK
FESTIVAL**

April 28+29, 2018

#WeAreBCC



BCC's Own Incredibles—Supers in Action



MMART students and staff were recently treated to a tour of Pixar Animation Studios. They were able to explore the development process of both Coco and Incredibles 2 releasing soon. Tours were hosted by Tom Miller Set Dressing Lead, Incredibles 2.

"It was such an amazing experience. After seeing the art, storyboard, character design and models, you truly get the sense of the magic and work to creating these amazing films."

—Jeejun Bertuso, Student Services

District Lunar New Year Scholarshop/Luncheon

A couple of weeks ago, the district held its annual Lunar New Year Luncheon at the East Ocean Restaurant in Alameda. Staff from all over Peralta were able to enjoy the delicious meal together. "I appreciated the opportunity to meet other people from the other community colleges," said Alejandro Gonzalez of Student Services.

In addition to the great food, staff was entertained with music by district members: a cello duet, music played on a sheng, a traditional Chinese multi-vertical pipe instrument, and a Vietnamese song sung by BCC's own Loan Nguyen, of Financial Aid and her back up dancers, Karen Shields, Duplicating Tech and Tammie Perry, Financial Aid. A festive way to celebrate an auspicious day!



Our Valued Customers

Bruce Honing of Honing Idea Guides ran an all day customer service training for student services staff during spring break. He engaged staff in group discussions and team building activities, all to illustrate how to improve interaction with customers. Customers were not defined just as students but fellow co-workers as well. "Though there could have been more focus on dealing with irate students or difficult situation, we received many useful techniques to perform positive customer service," stated Angela Nguyen, Financial Aid.



calendar/deadlines

Art in Islam

Mon, Apr 16, 5–7 pm
Atrium

Poetry at Berkeley City College
Tue, Apr 24, Thu, May 10, 6:30–9 pm
Students' Lounge, 5th Fl.

Berkeley Art Museum & Pacific Film Archive Free Admission Day for BCC
Wed Apr 25, 12 noon–7 pm

Bay Area Book Festival
Sat, Apr 28, 10 am–6 pm
Auditorium

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