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## THREE LACC STUDENTS WIN AWARDS AT LA PRESS CLUB'S 2018 NATIONAL ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT JOURNALISM AWARDS

(December 4, 2018) – On Sunday, December 2, 2018, three Los Angeles City College (LACC) students were presented with awards at the LA Press Club's 11<sup>th</sup> annual National Arts & Entertainment Awards at the Biltmore Hotel in downtown Los Angeles.

Collegian Times photographer and reporter Anwar Torres received a first place award for Best Arts or Entertainment photo for "Chuck the Condor Takes Flight," photojournalist Liam Hayes also was honored with a first place award for Best Commentary/Critique for "Hip Hop Artist Makes History," and culture reporter William Benjamin Torres received a third place award for Best Arts or Entertainment Profile for "Urban Hoofer Still Stomping."

"We are extremely proud of our journalism students," said Dr. Mary Gallagher, President, Los Angeles City College. "To compete and win in the same category as USC and Cal State campuses says so much about our journalism program, faculty and students."

This year's awards also honored Carol Burnett with the Legend Award for Life Achievement and George Pennacchio for the Luminary Award for Career Achievement. The late Jonathan Gold received a posthumous Impact Award for Journalism and Michael Connelly won the Distinguished Storyteller Award.

## **About Los Angeles City College**

Established in 1929, Los Angeles City College is one of the oldest of the California Community Colleges. Located in the heart of Hollywood, LACC provides a dynamic innovative learning environment offering more than 100 vocational and professional programs including degrees, transfer programs and certificates to more than 18,000 students. In the past decade, a total of 6,651 students have transferred to four-year colleges and universities, including 4,040 students attending Cal State universities and 1,086 students transferring to UC campuses. Los Angeles City College is home to one of the most vibrant and diverse campuses in the country. The campus provides a wide range of professional and vocational programs at a fraction of the cost of state and private colleges. LACC provides students and adult learners vital pathways to more advanced education and enhanced employment. In 2019, LACC will celebrate its 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

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