



# News & Notes

An update from the Public Relations Office ■ July/August 2022

A new school year has begun at Collin College and there's so much news to share! Here is the latest.



## Collin College Andrea-Mennen Welcome Center

*Ribbon Cutting and  
Dedication Ceremony*

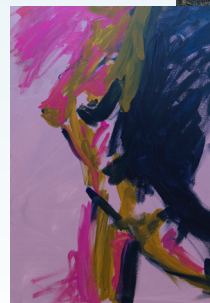
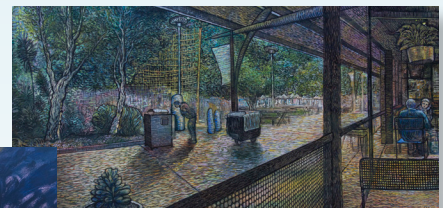


### 1. The new Andrea-Mennen Welcome Center at the McKinney Campus is now open

- The college held a ribbon cutting and dedication event to mark the opening of the new building on Aug. 18.
- The welcome center is home to essential services for both current and incoming students. The center is a one-stop-shop for a variety of students services including admissions, advising, financial aid, counseling, a veterans center, a career center, and more.
- The two-story and nearly **40,000-square-foot building** is named after The Andrea-Mennen Family Foundation in recognition of a **\$1 million gift** for endowed scholarships.

### 2. Collin College annual art faculty exhibition planned in September

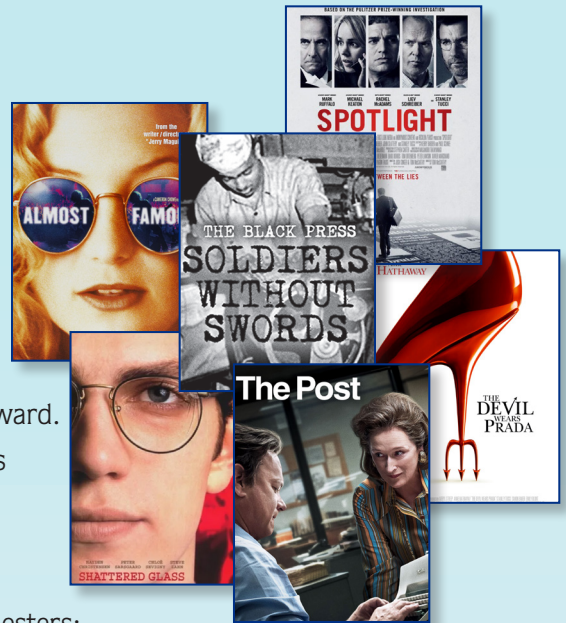
- **The Art Gallery** at Collin College will host the “**Collin College Annual Art Faculty Exhibition**” from **Sept. 1-22** at the **Plano Campus**. A reception is planned for **Sept. 1** from **3-6 p.m.** in the gallery.
- The **annual exhibition** features works by **professors in the Fine Arts division** of Collin College. The diversity of media and styles makes this show a unique opportunity for students to learn about art courses offered at Collin and for the public to view what the professors create in their own studios.
- Art courses offered at Collin include 2-D design, 3-D design, ceramics, communication design, digital arts, drawing, figure drawing, jewelry/art metals, painting, photography, printmaking, sculpture, and watercolor.
- The exhibition is **free** and open to the public.



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### 3. Auteur Film Series will explore journalism-related themes

- Collin College’s **Auteur Film Series** will focus on the **theme of journalism** in its **2022-23 season**.
- The Auteur Film Series presents classic, foreign, and independent films with brief educational introductions before the screenings and faculty-led panel discussions afterward.
- The films will all be shown at **7 p.m.** Doors open 30 minutes before the film begins, and seating is limited. Some material may not be suitable for all audiences.
- The six-film series is **free** and open to the public.
- The following films are scheduled for the fall and spring semesters:



**“The Post”**  
SEPT. 22  
Angelika Film Center in Plano

**“Almost Famous”**  
OCT. 18  
Frisco Campus

**“Shattered Glass”**  
NOV. 16  
Plano Campus

**“The Black Press:  
Soldiers Without  
Swords”**  
FEB. 7  
Plano Campus

**“The Devil Wears Prada”**  
MARCH 16  
Angelika Film Center in Plano

**“Spotlight”**  
APRIL 19  
McKinney Campus

### 4. Collin College partners with Enterprise Holdings to promote Automotive Collision Repair as a career

- Collin College and its Collision Technology program announced a new partnership with **Enterprise Holdings** to promote the growth and expansion of a **two-year apprenticeship model** that the **Enterprise Holdings Foundation** sponsors as the **Collision Engineering Program (CEP)**.
- Through this defined apprenticeship model, students receive real-world experience by working alongside industry experts while also earning their associate degrees. This unique model provides students the opportunity to earn an income while completing their training.
- With more than 70,000 new collision technicians needed between 2022 and 2025, and nearly 65,000 of those job openings coming from labor force exits and transfers, demand is significantly outpacing a steadily declining supply of postsecondary collision technician entrants.
- To help close the gap, the CEP model is working to attract and develop entry-level talent to fill essential roles within the collision repair industry and enhance retention and advancement among collision repair technicians.

