



# News & Notes

An update from the Communications Department ■ June 2022

Summer is here and Collin College has a lot to celebrate! Here is the latest:

## 1. Collin College Automotive Technology program earns accreditation

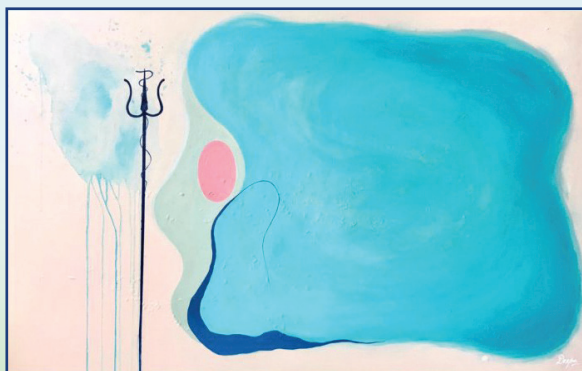
- Collin College's **Automotive Technology program** has been formally accredited by the **ASE Education Foundation**, a mark of validation for automobile technician training programs based on strict industry standards.
- The Automotive Technology program is one of several high-demand, skilled trade programs offered at the **Collin College Technical Campus**.



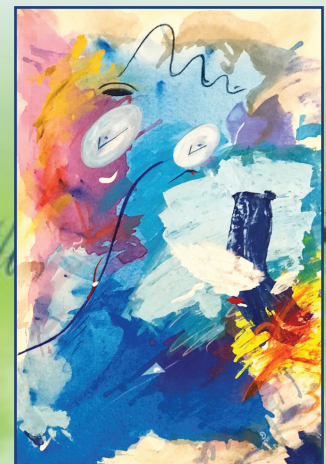
- Collin's program was accredited in "**Master Automobile Service Technology**," the highest level of accreditation recognized by the **National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE)**.
- The Automotive Technology program offers a full degree program and certificate programs that prepare students for ASE certification in Maintenance and Light Repair (MLR), Automotive Service Technician (AST), or Master Automobile Service Technology (MAST) designations.

## 2. The Art Gallery hosts "A Journey to Ancient Hymns"

- The Art Gallery at Collin College will host "**A Journey to the Ancient Hymns**," an exhibition of acrylic on canvas works by **Deepa Koshaley, June 30-July 21**.



- Koshaley, a Dallas-area artist who works largely in a non-objective style, is strongly influenced by her faith and her Indian heritage.
- A reception is planned for **Thursday, June 30** from **4-7 p.m.** at The Art Gallery.
- The exhibition is free and open to the public.



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### 3. Academy, Training Center bring Collin College international recognition



- This spring, Collin College welcomed delegations from **Thailand and Saudi Arabia** to tour the **Public Safety Training Center**, further introducing the facility to the international policing community.
- **Forty** police captains from the **Royal Thai Police Department (RTPD)** visited Collin College on **April 16** as part of a fact-finding trip to North Texas to further intelligence sharing and law enforcement cooperation between the United States and Thailand. The group also toured the Dallas Police Department and Plano Police Department facilities.



- Another group from the **Special Forces for Security and Protection (SFSP)**, a Saudi Arabian tourism police agency, visited the training center on **May 19** to learn more about how Collin College integrated academic and practical education in criminal justice, law enforcement, fire science, and emergency medical services.
- In summer and fall of 2021, the **Collin College Law Enforcement Academy (CCLEA)** hosted **five** cadets from the **United Arab Emirates (UAE)** for its 24-week, 855-hour basic police officer training program. The cadets graduated in **October 2021**.



### 4. Collin College announces Outstanding Professor, R.O.S.E. award finalists

- The Collin College Staff Council recently announced the nominees and finalists for the **2021-22 Outstanding Professor** and **R.O.S.E. awards**.
- The **Outstanding Professor Award** recognizes one full-time faculty member each year for exemplary teaching and outstanding service to the college, community, and profession. This award serves the further purpose of selecting an outstanding faculty member to represent the college at the state level for the **Minnie Stevens Piper Professor Award**. Previously, there have been seven Collin College faculty who have received the prestigious award.



- The staff award program, **Recognition of Service and Excellence (R.O.S.E.)**, recognizes excellence and extraordinary effort demonstrated by full- and part-time staff members who exemplify our Core Values of Learning, Service and Involvement, Creativity and Innovation, Academic Excellence, Dignity and Respect, and Integrity.
- The Outstanding Professor and R.O.S.E. award winners will be announced at **All College Day**, the district's annual academic year kickoff event on **Aug. 12**.

