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Program Council keeps fall entertainment fresh for students

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Long Beach, CA – It seems these days it takes a full wallet to enjoy the entertainment scene, but this fall, the University Student Union Program Council has the students of California State University, Long Beach covered.

From poetry readings on balmy California nights, action-packed movies that keep viewers on the edge of their seats, or live music from up-and-coming artists, students can socialize right in the heart of their own campus.

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The Poet's Lounge allows students to grab the mic in a welcoming setting and perform their best pieces with a live jazz band. There are no judges, censors, or fees.

Program Council Coordinator Keya Allen-Littleton said even the audience is a wildcard because people from multiple different social circles attend. "Everyone has an inner poet in them. Everyone is a closet poet."

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The Poet's Lounge convenes at the Soroptomist House every third Thursday of the month at 8 p.m. The first function will gather on the Southwest Terrace under the stars on Thursday, Sept. 17 at 8 p.m.

Program Council is also making it possible to relive the summer for only \$2 with the blockbusters that entertained millions. Travel back and forth in time with Spock and a young Capt. Kirk in "Star Trek" or try to find Doug in the side-splitting comedy, "The Hangover."

The best way to watch movies, however, is by purchasing a Flash Pass. The card gives movie-goers access to all fall semester movie screenings for \$10. It also allows students to win a free backpack and water bottle and a chance to win a \$100 gift card to the University Bookstore. With at least eight movie screenings scheduled for the semester, students would save money with the Flash Pass.

For the screening of "Twilight," a Beach Choices event is scheduled complete with pizza, giveaways, and CSULB's favorite athletes. Athletic teams will attend the screening to promote interaction with their peers.

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Movie tickets cost \$2 for CSULB students with a valid I.D. card and \$5 for non-students. A complete list of the movies to be screened can be found at www.programcouncil.org.

Things get musical on the Southwest Terrace of the University Student Union every Wednesday at noon with free concerts. Past events have featured Black Eyed Peas,

Incubus, Sublime, Red Hot Chili Peppers and Maroon 5. Program Council has been successful in securing artists who were emerging on the scene before they became famous.

With the fall semester just emerging on the horizon, students can look forward to discounted entertainment without discounted fun.

For more information on each event, contact the USU Program Council at 562.985.5342 or visit www.programcouncil.org.

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