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Rio Hondo College Writes of Spring to Celebrate Area Arts

WHAT: Rio Hondo College will hold its annual two-day celebration of literature and the arts – the Writes of Spring – with a range of speakers representing Los Angeles area journalists, poets, novelists and musicians.

WHEN: Wednesday, April 19 and Thursday, April 20

WHERE: Rio Hondo College Wray Theater, 3600 Workman Mill Road, Whittier

SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, April 19

- 8:05 a.m.: **Lissa Price** has written two young adult novels that garnered praise from critics and fellow writers.
- 9:40 a.m.: **Gustavo Arellano** is editor and columnist for OC Weekly. His books include “Orange County: A Personal History” and “Taco USA: How Mexican Food Conquered America.”
- 11:15 a.m.: **Phranc**, who started her music career as a folksinger in the 1970s, is an icon of the punk music movement. She is also a visual artist.

Thursday, April 20

- 8:05 a.m.: **Siel Ju** has written two poetry chapbooks and is editor of Flash Flash Click, a weekly email lit zine for fast fiction.
- 9:40 a.m.: **Dylan Hernandez** has covered the Dodgers for the Los Angeles Times since 2007.
- 11:15 a.m.: **Jeff Garvin** is an actor, musician and novelist. His debut novel is an ALA Best Fiction for Young Adults Selection.

The event will include readings from the student literary journal, “River’s Voice,” at 2:30 p.m. each day.

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