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Rio Hondo College to Honor World War II Veteran Yoshio Nakamura during Veterans Day Commemoration Events

WHAT: In celebration of Veterans Day, Rio Hondo College will recognize World War II veteran Yoshio C. Nakamura and honor all veterans who have served in America's armed forces.

Nakamura was a member of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team composed of Americans of Japanese ancestry that became the most highly decorated unit in U.S. military history for its size and length of service.

After the war, Nakamura earned BFA and MFA degrees from USC and began teaching at Whittier High School. When Rio Hondo College was established, he was hired as the founding instructor and chair of the Fine Arts Department. He retired as vice president of Rio Hondo College in 1992.

WHEN: 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 13

WHERE: Rio Hondo College Veterans Memorial, Lower Quad, 3600 Workman Mill Road, Whittier

DETAILS: The Veterans Day Celebration will include color guard, the Rio Hondo College Choir, special guest speakers, recognition of Nakamura, presentation of the Rio Hondo College Veteran Memorial Coin to attending veterans, food, display of military vehicles and other activities.

MEDIA: To arrange coverage, contact Ruthie Retana at (562) 463-3145.

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