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## **LACC HOSTS “ALWAYS ON: THE BIRTH OF 24-HOUR NEWS, AND HOW IT CHANGED EVERYTHING**

*A virtual conversation about journalism in 2021*

(February 2, 2021) – Los Angeles City College (LACC), The Los Angeles City College Foundation and The Nick Beck Endowed Investigative Journalism Lecture Series will host “Always On: The Birth of 24-Hour News and How it Changed Everything,” on Wednesday, February 10 at 6pm. The virtual event will feature a conversation with author Lisa Napoli and LA news anchor Frank Buckley on Napoli’s recent book, *Up All Night: Ted Turner, CNN, and the Birth of 24-Hour News*.

The event will explore the expansion and progression of news broadcasts to our current 24-hour breaking news stream; the affect of recent attacks on investigative journalism and what the future of journalism looks like in America.

“It is more important than ever that a well-funded, unbiased and hardworking press corps delve deeply into important policy matters that give citizens and stakeholders the information they need to effectively participate in our democracy,” said Dr. Mary Gallagher, President, Los Angeles City College. “We are thrilled to offer this insightful discussion to our students and the greater community.”

LACC has had an award-winning Journalism program since the school's founding in 1929 with journalism students receiving intensive hands-on instruction in digital news gathering techniques. This includes a series of courses that cover instruction and practice in radio, TV news reporting, digital design, magazine publication, short form documentary production, and mobile reporting techniques.

“The LACC Foundation cultivated the gift that created this lecture series in recognition of Nick Beck, an alumnus who served as the editor of LACC’s award-winning student newspaper, *The Collegian*,” said Robert Schwartz, Executive Director of the LACC Foundation. “We are proud to welcome these esteemed journalists to our second in this lecture series as we strive to continue to inspire our students to study and train in the important world of journalism.”

To purchase tickets please visit [www.laccfoundation.org/always-on/](http://www.laccfoundation.org/always-on/). Event is free for LACC students with a suggested donation of \$20 for general admission. RSVP is required. Streaming information will be provided to registered participants.

### **About Los Angeles City College**

Established in 1929, Los Angeles City College is one of the oldest of the Los Angeles Community Colleges. Located in the heart of Hollywood, LACC provides a dynamic innovative learning environment offering more than 100 vocational and professional programs including degrees, transfer programs and certificates to more than 18,000 students. In the past decade, a total of 6,651 students have transferred to four-year colleges and universities, including 4,040 students attending Cal State universities and 1,086 students transferring to UC campuses. Los Angeles City College is home to one of the most vibrant and diverse campuses in the country. The campus provides a wide range of professional and vocational programs at a fraction of the cost of state and private colleges. LACC provides students and adult learners vital pathways to more advanced education and enhanced employment.

### **About Los Angeles City College Foundation**

The LACC Foundation develops philanthropic support to increase capacity for accessible educational opportunities that provide academic and vocational excellence for the students of Los Angeles City College, and that enrich the cultural, economic and civic life of Los Angeles. The LACC Foundation was established in 1968 as a non-profit, tax-exempt corporation, designated to receive gifts for Los Angeles City College from individuals, corporations and foundations.