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## **Photo Contest Gives Community College Students Chance to Show Their True Colors**

*College Seen II Launched by Foundation for California Community Colleges, Sponsored by Adobe*

SACRAMENTO—California Community College students with a penchant for photography have an opportunity to display their talents by entering the Foundation for California Community Colleges' College Seen II photo contest. Entries for the contest, which is sponsored by Adobe, can be submitted May 1 through June 30 online at [www.collegeseen.org](http://www.collegeseen.org).

The grand prize winner, who will be announced in late August, will receive \$500 cash, Adobe Creative Suite 3 and an HP photo printer from ComputerLand of Silicon Valley. Adobe Creative Suite 3 features InDesign®, Photoshop®, Illustrator®, Dreamweaver®, and more. In addition, winning photographs will be featured in the Foundation's new California Community Colleges alumni magazine, expected to launch late 2008.

"This is a tremendous opportunity to tell the story of community college life through the eyes of the most important participants – the students," said Paul Lanning, President and CEO of the Foundation. "Our goal is to promote excellent student work while creating a library of extraordinary and captivating images from community colleges throughout the state."

Students may enter up to five photos in various categories, including campus elements, campus life, technology, career preparation and conceptual. Five first place category winners, including one grand prize, will be selected by a panel of judges. To participate, students must be over the age of 18 and be enrolled in at least one community college course.

The College Seen photo contest is made possible by a sponsorship from Adobe, which has partnered with the Foundation to offer state-of-the-art graphics software for campus licensing since 2001. In 2006, Adobe and the Foundation partnered to launch a student purchasing program for fully licensed Adobe software at discounts of up to 80 percent. Available software includes Adobe Creative Suite 3, Acrobat 8, and Dreamweaver, all for hundreds of dollars off the typical educational discount. For details on the purchasing discounts offered through the Foundation, visit [www.foundationccc.org](http://www.foundationccc.org).



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This is the second year of the photo contest, which received more than 200 entries from students throughout the state during its inaugural year in 2007. Additional details, along with winners from last year, are available online at [www.collegeseen.org](http://www.collegeseen.org).

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