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**World-Renowned Speaker Calvin Mackie
Coming to El Camino College Compton Center**

El Camino College Compton Center is pleased to announce Calvin Mackie, motivational speaker, author, inventor and entrepreneur, will speak in the Tartar Gym on Thursday, December 3, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. The complimentary event is open to the public and members of the community are encouraged to attend.

Humor, interaction and authenticity trademark Mackie's high-energy keynotes on motivation, education, leadership skills, mentoring, diversity, life balance and teambuilding. Mackie has been described as "dynamic, compelling, and inspiring," delivering "messages that are always powerful, heart-to-heart and mind-to-mind to help guide and direct students of all ages in their lives and careers."

Dr. Calvin Mackie is identified as an award-winning mentor, an internationally renowned motivational speaker, and a successful entrepreneur whose message continues to transcend race, gender, ethnicity, religion, and time.

After starting college in remedial reading because of weak SAT scores, Calvin Mackie earned a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering from Georgia Tech and a B.S. in Mathematics from Morehouse College in 1990, a M.S. in 1992 and Ph.D. in 1996 in Mechanical Engineering from Georgia Tech.

Following graduation he joined the faculty at Tulane University where he pursued research related to heat transfer, fluid dynamics, energy efficiency and renewable energy. In 2002, he was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure. Mackie's eleven year academic career ended in June 2007, when Tulane University disbanded the engineering school in response to financial hardship induced by Hurricane Katrina.

A professional speaker, in 1992 he co-founded Channel ZerO, an educational and motivational consulting company and has presented to numerous civic, educational institutions and Fortune 500 corporations. For more information on Calvin Mackie, go to www.calvinmackie.com.

El Camino College Compton Center is accredited and serving the residents of our local communities. Students may earn an associate degree, transfer to a four-year university or receive career training. Fees are only \$26 per unit. The college catalog and class schedule for day, evening, weekend and online courses is available on the Web site at www.compton.edu or may be picked up at Compton Center located at 1111 E. Artesia Boulevard, Compton, CA. For more information, call 310-900-1600.

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