Dear Trojan,

Our Trojan Family is very strong. However, as most families are today, we are all so busy in our segmented lives, that to come together to truly celebrate every facet of USC seems an impossible task. A common thread among Trojans young and old is our spirit and love for USC. What more do we need to bring us all together than an event that focuses on the Trojan Spirit?

CONQUEST, which will be held the evening of December 1, 2005 at McCarthy Quad, is an event that is all-inclusive. It celebrates USC’s rich history and honors our many accomplishments. It incorporates every aspect of our grand institution – athletics, student involvement, and alumni, and academics.

We invite all students at USC to participate in the CONQUEST Student Competitions. The four fields that will be represented in CONQUEST are the following: Two-Dimensional Art, Poetry, Essay, and Short Animated Film. **All submissions are due to Topping Student Center 100 by 5:00 PM on Friday, November 11, 2005.** Please see the attached student submission documents for more details about each specific competition. Our hope is that your submission will reflect USC’s 125 years of diversity, community, and scholarship (Short Animated Film competition does not require adherence to theme). All student submissions that are selected for recognition will receive a cash prize and acknowledgement at the CONQUEST event. The timeline for the competition is as follows:

- **Friday, November 11**  
  Submissions due to TSC 100 by 5:00 P.M
- **Friday, November 25**  
  Results emailed out to all participants
- **Thursday, December 1**  
  Winning submissions displayed at CONQUEST

If you have any questions, please contact Heather Larabee at larabee@usc.edu, call 213-740-5693, or stop by TSC 100. We are excited to award students for their creativity, as well as display the talent of USC students at CONQUEST.

Sincerely,

Heather Larabee
Director of Campus Activities

Sandy Winslow
Assistant Director of Campus Activities
Student Competitions Application

Submissions will be judged on creativity, adherence to theme, and quality of product. This year’s theme, “USC 125,” encourages you to in some way incorporate USC’s 125 years of diversity, community, and scholarship.

Undergraduate and graduate students are encouraged to share in the CONQUEST experience via their artistic, written, and cinematographic skills as follows:

**Art CONTEST**  
Three submissions of two-dimensional art portraying the theme will be displayed in the event program and other materials.  
Submission Deadline: Friday, November 11, 2005 at 5:00 P.M.  
Submission Location: Topping Student Center 100 (front desk)

**Poetry CONTEST**  
Three submissions of poetry portraying the theme will be read at CONQUEST and included within the event program. Maximum length is 300 words.  
Submission Deadline: Friday, November 11, 2005 at 5:00 P.M.  
Submission Location: Topping Student Center 100 (front desk)

**Essay CONTEST**  
Three submissions of essays portraying the theme will be read at CONQUEST and included within the event program. Maximum length is 500 words.  
Submission Deadline: Friday, November 11, 2005 at 5:00 P.M.  
Submission Location: Topping Student Center 100 (front desk)

**Short Animated Film CONTEST**  
Three submissions of short animated films that **DO NOT need to portray the theme** will be shown on a jumbo-tron during CONQUEST. Maximum length is 2 minutes.  
Submission Deadline: Friday, November 11, 2005 at 5:00 P.M.  
Submission Location: Topping Student Center 100 (front desk)

Cash prizes will be awarded to winners of each competition. E-mail Heather Larabee at larabee@usc.edu or call 213-740-5693 for additional information.
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Submission Form

Name: _________________________________________________________________

Address: ___________________________________________________________________

Email: _________________________________________________________________

Phone: ( ) -

Submission Type (select one):
☐ Art (two dimensions)*
☐ Poetry (maximum 300 words)*
☐ Essay (maximum 500 words)*
☐ Short Animated Film (maximum 2 minutes)*

*Please print or type your name and e-mail on the submission and place it, along with this form, in a sealed envelope with your name and the submission type printed or typed neatly on the outside of the envelope.

Submission Title (optional): ________________________________________________

Description (to be read at CONQUEST):

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I am submitting my own original work for CONQUEST.

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Signature        Date