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Saturday,
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Middle School

Guest Speaker
and Performer
Michelle Fiore,
Soprano

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WELCOME

Dear Inspiring RCMS Band Supporters & Friends,

We welcome you and are pleased that you are here with us on this special day to benefit a great organization here at Raymond Cree Middle School – The Desert Treasure Band and Visual Corps Program! From first time visitors to longtime friends and family, we thank you for your continuing support that inspires us to make great music each day. We hope today's event, JESTERS!, will bring joy and lightheartedness to you as you support a great cause!

Through your support, the band program flourishes and provides experiences not offered in many other schools across our country. One of the highlights this year was that we joined a consortium of schools to commission a brand new work for wind band by one of our favorite composers, Randall D. Standridge. The piece is a three movement work (Parts II, III, IV) that fit between two previously composed works (Parts I, and V). When all five parts are combined they create the five-movement work, The Darklands Symphony. It has been a fun and educational journey watching the process of the composer on how he got his ideas, how the ideas made to the paper, then to the stands of the students, rehearsal to performance and finally in a couple of months, the final published edition that will be available to all the bands on this world! Many schools that joined this consortium will be premiering the work this spring before it is out on print. We are excited to be presenting the entire Darklands Symphony by the RCMS Wind Ensemble on Thursday, May 18th at 7pm for our Awards Concert! We hope you can join us for this special performance and free event

Today's entertainment is once again provided by our talented students who received a Superior Rating at our Southern California School Band and Orchestra Association (SCSBOA) Solo and Ensemble District Festival on February 11, 2017. Some of these students will also be participating in the SCSBOA Regional Solo and Ensemble Festival hosted by RCMS and JWMS at Rancho Mirage High School on May 13th. We would also like to welcome and thank our fabulous guest performer, Michelle Fiore, soprano, who will be sharing with us her operatic talents! She has quite a background in music and has such a passion for this art form through vocal music.

Each experience our students participate in though our program is due to generous financial support of our families, communities and awesome school leaders. We thank you for making this a program that teaches more than music but inspires life skills necessary to be tomorrow's leaders and thoughtful citizens of our communities. Thank you for allowing us to learn music through new opportunities that can only be made possible through your support!

Musically yours,
Eduardo Contreras
Director of Bands



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A young man with dark hair, wearing a black tuxedo with a white shirt and black tie, is holding a large brass French horn. He is also holding a black music stand. The background is a light gray with faint, large silhouettes of various brass instruments, including a trumpet and a tuba.

Congratulations,
ENGELBERTH MEJIA JR.

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UNANIMOUS SUPERIOR SOLO RATING

Loren McMichael, 8th Grade – Flute Solo
*Engelberth Mejia, 8th Grade – French Horn Solo
Shanell Villatoro, 8th Grade – Flute Solo
*Aaron Wolf, 8th Grade – Trombone Solo
*Kaelan James, 7th Grade – Clarinet Solo
Mariel Del Rosario, 7th Grade – Snare Drum Solo
Angel Figueredo, 7th Grade – Timpani Solo
Kaelan James & Beckham Dao, 7th Grade – Bass Clarinet Duet
Evertt Diaz, Trumpet & Lucas McPherson, Trombone, 8th Grade – Brass Duet
EJ Gibbs, 8th Grade, Timpani & Maximo Hernandez, 7th Grade Mallets – Percussion Duet

**Southern California School Band & Orchestra 2017 Honor Band & Orchestra Member*

SUPERIOR RATING

Monyka Avila, 8th Grade – Alto Saxophone
Saafir Darden, 8th Grade – Snare Solo
Sophie Edgar Carnevale, 8th Grade – Trumpet Solo
Carlos Hernandez, 8th Grade – Flute Solo
Eugenio Hernandez, 8th Grade – Alto Sax Solo
Jaiden Hunt, 8th Grade – Euphonium Solo
Anthony Junco, 8th Grade – Tenor Saxophone Solo
Yahir Lopez, 8th Grade – Baritone Saxophone Solo
Cesar Ortiz, 8th Grade – Tuba Solo
Tuesday Ryan, 8th Grade – Flute Solo
Mariana Solares, 8th Grade – Clarinet Solo
Christian Villanueva, 8th Grade – Tenor Saxophone Solo
Maria Villalba, 8th Grade – Tuba Solo
Daria Ariaga, 7th Grade – Clarinet Solo
Amares Lucero, 7th Grade – Euphonium Solo
Alany Mendoza, 7th Grade – Trumpet Solo
Camden Stone, 7th Grade – Alto Saxophone Solo
Brandelyn Mariner, Flute & Angela Gutierrez, Clarinet, 8th Grade – Woodwind Duet
Karen Melendres-Muñoz & Brianna Jones, 7th Grade – Flute Duet
Melisa Rizo & Emily DeGroat, 8th Grade – Clarinet Duet
Andy Fernandez, Trumpet & Alexis Valtierra, Trombone, 8th Grade – Brass Duet
Geovany Rosario, 8th Grade & Adam Gotcher, 7th Grade – French Horn Duet
Engelberth Mejia, French Horn & Aaron Wolf, Trombone, 8th Grade – Brass Duet
Jade Rosales, 8th & Mariel Del Rosario, 7th Grade – Mallet Duet

PIANO ACCOMPANIST

Linny Smith

*Please note performers not
performing in order listed.*



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GUEST PERFORMER

Michelle Fiore

Soprano & Guest Performer

"Life is a song! Sing it!"

Michelle Fiore, Soprano, most recently has sung with the Black Tie Opera, Melodiam, and California Desert Chorale. She was a scholarship for a Postgraduate Diploma in Vocal Performance at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. She completed her Master of Music degree from the Manhattan School of Music (MSM). She received her Bachelor of Music from Virginia Commonwealth University where she performed the roles of the Queen of the Night in *The Magic Flute* and Soeur Constance in *Dialogues of the Carmelites*. Other roles she has performed are Lisaveta in the concert version of *A Month in the Country*, The Goodwife in *The Wise Women*, and Beatriz in *Christopher Columbus*. Miss Fiore has studied with tenor, César Ulloa, mezzo-soprano, Mignon Dunn, George Shirley, Cynthia Donnell, L. Wayne Batty, A. Louise Toppin, Donna Dease, and Eve Ann Eichhorn. When not singing, Michelle teaches Special Education at Katherine Finchy Elementary School.

For more information and upcoming performances, please visit her website at:

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Wind Ensemble, Advanced Band & Flag Team

The 2016-2017 RCMS DESERT TREASURE INSTRUMENTAL & FLAG PROGRAM

The students of the RCMS Instrumental and Flag Program would like to thank the Band Boosters and Friends for their dedication in make this Tea Party "JESTERS!" possible! We would also like to thank the community who supports us and music in our school. The biggest THANK YOU goes to our parents and guardians who encourage us to be the best we can be in all of our endeavors!

THANK YOU!

Matador Beginning Band



THANK YOU!

Raymond Cree Instrumental Program, Flags and Boosters are grateful to all those who have volunteered their time and talents to help make this day a success! We extend special thanks and gratitude to all of our generous community supporters and vendors for their gifts and contributions!

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Eduardo Contreras, Director of Bands
Linny Smith, Piano Accompanist

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Thank you for supporting the arts in our school!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Band Awards Concert

Raymond Cree Middle School Gym – All Bands
Thursday, May 18, 2017 at 7pm
*Wind Ensemble will be premiering Randall D. Standridge's,
Darklands Symphony.*

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Jhynelle Dulay +
Jetsabel Enriquez
Devin Gonzalez
Maria Hernandez +
Yamilet Herrera +
Blaze Hinojosa +
Elizabeth Ibarra +
Makaya Jones +
Luna Madrigal +
Jessica Marquez +
Joel Martinez
Kimberley Martinez
Daisy Mendieta
Kiara Parks +
Jackelin Ramos +
Gisselle Rodriguez
Jhaidery Vallejo +
Amani Williams

CLARINET

Alekssa Avila
Nelson Avila
Noah Baker-Aidukas
Evelyn Castillo +
Elizabeth Gonzalez
Lorenzo Hernandez
Stephany Herrera +
Hanna Lopez
Kylie Mendoza +
Jasimiel Monge +
Roger Montealegre +
Deliany Moreno +
Itzel Ortiz
Gerardo Paniagua
Margaret Ryan
Katie Sanchez
Morgan Santean-Whippie
Evelyn Tepezano +
Orlando Villagrana +

ALTO SAXOPHONE

Robert Cable-Gonzalez
Shane Cameranesi +
Christian Coloma
Denzel Gomez
Reese Gradilla
Jayden Greer +
Daniela Izquierdo +

Christopher Ortiz

Nayely Palacios
Gabriel Pappas
Andres Ramirez
Albert Reese
Andrew Rodriguez
Maria Valdez
Danitza Villagrana +

TENOR SAXOPHONE

Alexander Byers +
Jamsheed Nasr +

BARITONE

SAXOPHONE

Alberto Rodriguez +

FRENCH HORN

Marian Chiroy
Diego Ayala
Edward Gutierrez
Leilin Hernandez
Ayden Norat
Marlene Oropeza
Andrea Rojas
Ahniz Varela

TRUMPET

Isaac Barranco
Diego Diaz
Ashley Garcia +
Paulina Garcia
Jeremiah Landeros
Malakai Martinez
Ronald Moreira +
Victor Ortiz
Ismael Rojas +
Isaac Rosario
Mariana Vicuna
Eduardo Villalba

TROMBONE

Raul Cortez
Uriel T. Enriquez
Anthony Guerra +
Tristen Honore
Maximus Landeros
Cristian Mendieta
Jacob Plantillas
Martha Sanchez
James Simpson

EUPHONIUM

Damien Alaniz
Kyler Cheung +

Loreighn Delim +
Starrla Torres

TUBA

Daley Buelna +
William Del Cid
Hernandez +
Damian Gamez
Ricardo Lara
Oliver Rodriguez +

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Kimberly Chavez
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Benjamin Dinero +
Dominic Garcia
Alyssa Glancies
Jesse Manning
Sherlyn Martin
Ernesto Miranda
Francisco Reyes
Nathalie Robles
Pavel Rodriguez
Ricardo Sanchez
Fernando Zamora

Advanced Band

FLUTE

Alexis Craik
Terrance Joslin +
Luis Navarro
Jonathan Ypina
Gisselle Lopez

OBOE

Wendy Perez +

CLARINET

Nathalie Ibarra +
Lisbet Juarez +
Dominic Pozos
Carlos Torres
Antonio Olivares
Vianey Cruz-Soriano +
Elias Plantillas
Dannah Aranda +
Katherine Soto +
Dayana Romero

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Thomas Trelak +
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Mariana Rodriguez
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Brian Valenzuela +
Gabriel Valencia

TENOR SAXOPHONE

Andrew Melton
Jake Moreno

FRENCH HORN

Cristian Flores +
Makley Quevedo +
Edwin Martinez +

TRUMPET

Aidan Ryan
Melisa Figueroa
Alexis Villegas
Max Becerra +
Jason Guirado
Alex Zaragoza
Nelson Reyes
Jamesson Alvarado
Dominique Carrillo
Angel Garcia
Cameron Craik
Oscar Torres
Andres Torres

TROMBONE

Alexis Valtierra \$+
Damian Avila
Orlando Jauregui
Edwin Moreno

BARITONE

Alejandro Martinez +
Derek Roldan +
Victor Matias +
Yair Sandoval +

TUBA

Adrian Paramo
Mauricio Cervantes

PERCUSSION

EJ Gibbs
Lucas Fogle +
Ian Fanning +
Andreas Trelak +
Jorge Castillo

Jonathan Rogel
Rene Alvarenga

PIANO

Franco Calixto

Wind Ensemble

FLUTES

Loren McMichael*\$
Shanell Villatoro \$
Carlos Hernandez \$
Brandelyn Mariner \$
Karen Melendres-Muñoz \$
Tuesday Ryan \$
Brianna Jones \$
Kaeli Balmilero

CLARINET

Mariana Solares*\$+
Zaynah Cortez
Vivian Osorio
Kaitlyn Cheung
Destiny Camua
Angela Gutierrez \$
Emily DeGroat \$
Nayla Rivera
Camila Rojas
Melisa Rizo \$
Dahana Urrea
Daria Arriaga \$

BASS CLARINET

Kaelan James*\$%+
Beckham Dao \$+

ALTO SAXOPHONE

Eugenio Hernandez*\$
Josias Lopez
Camden Stone \$
Monyka Avila \$

TENOR SAXOPHONE

Christian Villanueva*\$
Anthony Junco \$
Kai Gradilla

BARITONE SAX

Yahir Lopez*\$+

FRENCH HORN

Engelberth Mejia*\$%
Geovany Rosario \$+
Adam Gotcher \$

TRUMPET

Samantha Flores*
Everett Diaz \$
Andy Fernandez \$+
Sophie Edgar
Carnevale \$+
Maddox Martinez
David Moyotl +
Sebastian Martinez +
Peter Orozco +
Alessandra Tidwell
Alany Mendoza \$

TROMBONE

Aaron Wolf*\$%+
Lucas McPherson \$+
Pablo Hernandez
Giovanni Gonzalez +
Joshua Lee
Angel Gonzalez

BARITONE

Jaiden Hunt*\$
Amares Lucero \$
Jose Toscano

TUBA

Maria Villalba*\$+
Cesar Ortiz \$

PERCUSSION

Jade Rosales*\$
EJ Gibbs \$
Saafir Darden \$
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Mariel Del Rosario \$+
Maximo Hernandez \$+
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