



HIGHLAND PARK FINE ARTS

March 3, 2009



Achievements/Honors...

HPHS ART

- Two HPHS senior art students were selected as Gold Key winners in the Scholastic Art & Writing Award contest by the Alliance for Young Artists & Writers. Congratulations to Joe England for his painting “Free Day,” and Sarah Beecherl received two Gold Keys for her ceramic pieces “Vase” and “Rectangular Pitcher.” Only 800 selections earned this recognition out of more than 140,000 submissions. Gold Key recipients have the most outstanding works of art from each Regional Affiliate and their work advances to New York City to be assessed on a national level in late March. Congratulations and good luck!
- Congratulations to Caroline Montgomery (12) for receiving Honorable Mention in the Goss-Michael Foundation Student Art Contest. Students ranging from 10th-12th grade in the DFW metroplex were judged on work based on the theme “Identity.” An exhibition was held February 12-14 with a reception on Valentine’s Day.
- HPHS ceramics classes traveled to the Empty Bowls Luncheon, sponsored by the North Texas Foodbank, at the Meyerson Symphony Center on February 20. They also toured the Crow Asian Art Center.

HPISD BAND

High School

- HPHS Band members competed at UIL Solo/Ensemble competition on February 27 at Coppell HS. Congratulations to 5 soloists and 5 ensembles for achieving Superior Ratings (Division One) on Class I ensembles and memorized Class I solos, thus advancing to UIL State Solo/Ensemble in Austin in May. Solos: Flute-Amanda He, Madeleine May; Piccolo-Joy Stimson; Trumpet-Daniel Snell; and French Horn-Julia Hosch. Ensembles: Flute Quartet-Lindsay Ferris, Amanda He, Maddy Ostdick, Mary Joan Stevenson; Flute Choir- Katheryn Kelley, Barbara Moore, Sam Morehead, Emma Roberts, Olivia Waits; Woodwind Quartet-Duke Deen, Mary Catherine Hosch, Sam Leonard, Madeleine May; Sax Quartet- Hunter Bradley, Mary Grygorenko, Sarah Stimson, Yang Su; and Percussion Ensemble- Spencer Block, John Logan, Blake Philley, Pierce Riddick, Nathan Templeton.
Congratulations to the following for achieving Superior Ratings (Division One) on various classes of solos: Piccolo-Sarah Jenkins; Flute-Jenny Adair, Lindsay Ferris, Heather Fogus, Katheryn Kelley, Sam Morehead, Maddy Ostdick, Emma Roberts, Kate Schmidt, Rebecca Smith, Mary Joan Stevenson, Joy Stimson; Oboe-Mary Catherine Hosch; Bassoon-Sam Leonard; Clarinet-Max Bremer, Elliott Clayton, Duke Deen, Margaret Dooley, Jeff Guittard, Danny Jackson, Cameron Keith, William Mandt; Bass clarinet-Jack Deichert, Navin Pathak; Alto Sax-Matt Rodder, Sarah Stimson, Adam Wilder; Trumpet-Grant Moore, Ben Zieman; French horn-William Gharis, KK Glass, Michael Nation, Leo Wachs; Trombone-Sergi Calavia, David Costas, Jonathan Olness, William Pettee, Stephen Rose; Euphonium-Walker Clark; Tuba-Graham Jenkins, Sathya Kikkeri, Cal Lundberg, Michael Rodder, Paul Wolter; Mallet Percussion- Jorge Leis, Pierce Riddick, Harrison Smith, Nathan Templeton, Kenneth Zon; and Timpani-Cameron Lundberg. Congratulations also to the following for achieving a Superior Rating (Division One) on a percussion ensemble: Ben Dupree, Jorge Leis, Kendall Milano, Robert Schunder, Harrison Smith, Kenneth Zon. Congratulations!
- Pre-UIL concert for HPHS and HPMS bands will be on April 2 at 6:00 pm in the HPHS Large Auditorium.
- UIL HS Band Concert/Sightreading contest will be April 22-23 in Waxahachie, day/times to be announced.

Middle School Band:

- Pre-UIL concert for HPMS and HPHS bands will be on April 2 at 6:00 pm in the HPHS Lg Auditorium.
- HPMS will hold a Solo/Ensemble Festival for its 6th, 7th & 8th Grade Band students at HPMS on March 7.
- UIL MS Band Concert/Sightreading contest will be April 16-17 in Cedar Hill, day/times to be announced.

HPISD CHOIR

High School:

- Emily Hagens (12), Anne Marie Albachiara (11) and Meggie Lynn (9) perform on March 7 in the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) Honor Choir at the ACDA national convention in Oklahoma City.
- The HPHS Choirs will present a mid-winter concert on March 12 at 7:00 pm in the Large Auditorium.
- HPHS Choirs will compete at UIL HS Choir Concert/Sightreading contest at the Arts Magnet in Dallas on March 31-April 2, times/days to be announced soon. Best of luck!

Middle School/MIS:

- HPMS Choirs will compete at UIL MS Choir Concert/Sightreading contest on March 12 in Midlothian. 7th Grade Choir performs on stage at 9:40 am and 8th Grade Choir performs at 10:40 am. Good luck!
- The 5th grade music classes invite parents and other guests to a "Music in our World" program on March 10 and 11, 10-10:30 am and 2:15-2:45 pm, all in 5/6 Assembly Room except March 10, 2:15-2:45 will be in the Choir Room. This will be a casual demonstration of some of the lessons covered during the quarter.

HPHS DEBATE/SPEECH

- Debate Club continues to sell discount movie tickets as a fundraiser. AMC Gold passes = \$8; AMC Silver passes = \$7; Studio Movie Grill passes are 2 for \$10; Passes for Landmark (Inwood/Magnolia) and Angelika are \$7. These make great Easter or end-of-school year gifts. Email DeeChar@aol.com to place an order. Debate Club will also be selling pizza prior to the Highlander Festival Instrumental Concert on March 24, beginning at 5 pm in the HPHS Cafeteria.
- Upcoming debate/speech tournaments: March 5-7-TFA State in Cypress, TX; April 4-UIL District Academics for LD Debate, Speech & Interp.

HPISD DRAMA

High School:

- Congratulations to senior Ashley Thompson for placing third in the 21st Annual Shakespeare Recitation Competition sponsored by the Dallas Branch of the English-Speaking Union, hosted at HPHS on February 14. Ashley received a cash award plus a gift card to Borders.
- Bill Bowers, actor, mime and educator, will present a Mime Workshop to Theatre III and some Theatre II students on March 5, 10:30 am - noon, in the HPHS Large Auditorium. Mr. Bowers has toured throughout the U.S., Canada and Europe, has done television (*Law & Order*, *One Life to Live*), film (*Two Weeks Notice*), Broadway (*Zazu in The Lion King*), and is an adjunct faculty member teaching mime at New York University. He studied with the legendary Marcel Marceau.
- Highland Park will travel to Newman Smith HS for UIL District One-Act Play contest on March 28. Good luck to our one-act members in their production of J.B., a play-within-a-play drama set in a circus. Performances begin at 1 pm and order is: Newman Smith, HPHS-2:00 pm, Rockwall, RL Turner, Greenville, Heath and Royse City. Two advancing plays will compete at UIL Area One-Act Play on April 10 at Creekview HS in Carrollton. Two plays will then advance from Area to compete at UIL Region One-Act Play.
- HPHS will once again host the UIL Region One-Act Play competition on April 23.

Middle School:

- HPMS will perform the musical The Music Man on April 3-5. The three performances are Friday at 4:00 pm, Saturday at 7:00 pm, and Sunday at 2:00, all in the HPMS Auditorium. Tickets are \$5.

HPISD ELEMENTARIES

- Armstrong Recorder Ensemble performs for Armstrong Open House at 4:45 pm on March 11.
- 4th Grade Family Hoedown will be on April 2 at 6:00 pm in the UP Auditorium.

HPISD FINE ARTS

- Every year we highlight each department in our Fine Arts with the Highlander Festival. This year is ...
March 24: Instrumental Concert – HPHS Main Gym, 7:00 pm. Debate Club will sell pizza prior to the concert beginning at 5:00 pm in the HPHS Cafeteria.
March 25-April 1: District Art Show – HPHS Cafeteria. K-12 art on display daily, 8 am – 4 pm.
March 25: HPHS One-Act Play Performance – HPHS Large Auditorium, 6:00 pm
March 26: Choral Concert – HPHS Large Auditorium, 7:00 pm

HPISD ORCHESTRA

High School:

- Highlander Strings Pre-UIL concert is on March 5 at 7 pm in the Large Auditorium.
- Highlander Strings will host the Battle of the Bands on March 6 at Highland Park Presbyterian Church as a fundraiser for their organization.
- The Highlander Strings will compete at UIL HS Orchestra Concert/Sightreading on March 11 at 11:45 am at Nimitz HS in Irving. Best of luck!

Middle School:

- Best of luck to the HPMS Honor Orchestra as they compete at UIL MS Orchestra Concert/Sightreading on March 11 at 8:50 am at Nimitz HS.

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UPCOMING FINE ARTS EVENTS

(Red-HS events; Blue-MS/MIS events; Green-Elementary events; Pink-K-12 events)



Concerts/Performances

March 5

Highlander Strings Pre-UIL Concert – HPHS Large Auditorium, 7:00 pm

March 10-11

MIS 5th Grade music classes “Music in Our World” demonstration program:

10–10:30 am and 2:15-2:45 pm, all in 5/6 Assembly Room except March 10 (2:15-2:45) in Choir Rm.

March 11

Armstrong Recorder Ensemble performs for Armstrong Open House – Armstrong, 4:45 pm

March 12

HPHS Choir mid-winter concert – HPHS Large Auditorium, 7 pm

March 24

Highlander Festival Instrumental concert – HPHS Gym, 7 pm

March 25

Highlander Festival One-Act Play Performance – HPHS Large Auditorium, 6 pm

March 26

Highlander Festival Choral concert – HPHS Large Auditorium, 7 pm

Fine Arts Concerts/Performances, continued

April 2

Pre-UIL concert for HPMS/HPHS Bands – HPHS Large Auditorium, 6:00 pm

UP 4th Grade Family Hoedown – UP Auditorium, 6:00 pm

April 3 - 5

HPMS Spring musical “Music Man”– HPMS Auditorium. 3rd – 4 pm; 4th – 7 pm; 5th – 2 pm.

Competitions/Other Events

March 6

HPHS Orchestra fundraiser (Battle of the Bands) – HP Presbyterian Church

March 7

UIL HS Band Solo/Ensemble contest – DeSoto HS

HPMS/MIS Band Solo/Ensemble festival for 6/7/8 gds– HPMS



March 11

UIL MS/HS Orchestra Concert/Sightreading contest – Nimitz HS. HPMS – 8:50 am; HPHS – 11:45 am.

March 12

UIL MS Choir Concert/Sightreading contest – Midlothian. 7th Gd - 9:40 am; 8th Gd - 10:40 am.

March 24-31

Highlander Festival District Art Show Display – HPHS Cafeteria

March 28

UIL District One-Act Play – Newman Smith HS. HPHS - 2:00 pm.

March 31-April 2

UIL HS Choir Concert/Sightreading contest – Arts Magnet; times/days to be announced

April 4

UIL District Academics (Speech/Debate events) – HPHS, all day

April 10

UIL Area One-Act Play – Creekview HS in Carrollton

