El Cerrito High School Department of Music

SPRING CONCERT

Featuring the

WIND ENSEMBLE
SYMPHONIC BAND
CONCERT BAND

Keith Johnson, *Conductor*

FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2023

7:00pm in the ECHS Performing Arts Theater

PROGRAM

CONCERT BAND

Three Susato Dances (2013) | Tielman Susato, Arr. Tohru Minakuchi

Asian Folk Rhapsody (2001) | Richard Susato

SYMPHONIC BAND

Joy (2005) | Frank Ticheli

The Lost Lady Found (2011) | Percy A. Grainger, Arr. Michael Sweeney

Blue Ridge Reel (2013) | Brian Balmages

** INTERMISSION **

WIND ENSEMBLE

Magnolia Star (2012) | Steve Danyew

One Life Beautiful (2018) | Julie Giroux

Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (1923) | John Philip Sousa, Edited by Fredrick Fennell

Please join us in the cafeteria following tonight's program for a free reception presented by the Friends of El Cerrito Music!

ABOUT THE BANDS

Located in the East Bay of the San Francisco Bay Area, El Cerrito High School holds a proud history of musical excellence that dates to the school's opening in 1941. The band program at El Cerrito High School offers students the opportunity to develop their skills and passion for music through a variety of experiences that include performances, clinics, festivals, and travel opportunities. The program is comprised of three concert bands: the Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, and Concert Band as well as three jazz bands, the Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Workshop, and Jazz Lab. In addition to our classes, the program also offers several extra-curricular ensemble opportunities that include the Gaucho Band and Jazz Combos.

Throughout its 60-year history the El Cerrito High School Wind Ensemble has received superior ratings at local and state festivals and has been recognized as one of the San Francisco Bay Area's top high school wind bands. The band has made regular appearances at the California Music Educator's Association (CMEA) State Band and Orchestra Festival and has performed in venues and cities across the country including San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York, Chicago, and Vancouver. Notable performances include Carnegie Hall in New York City (2015), Chicago's Symphony Hall (2017), and the 2018 California All-State Music Education Conference (CASMEC) in San Jose where the group was selected as a featured performing ensemble.

Since 1965 the El Cerrito Jazz Ensemble has been recognized among California's top high school jazz bands and has performed in venues throughout the United States and abroad. The Jazz Ensemble has earned top ratings and first place awards at numerous jazz festivals across the west coast and have been finalists at Monterey's Next Generation Jazz Festival in 2015, 2017, 2018, and 2019. Over the past ten years the group has hosted and performed alongside prominent jazz artists that include Chris Potter, Wycliffe Gordon, Alan Ferber, John Daversa, Donny McCaslin, and Terell Stafford, among others. Notable performances include appearances at the Monterey Jazz Festival, North Sea Jazz Festival, Montreux Jazz Festival, Umbria Jazz Festival, and the 2014 California All-State Music Education Conference (CASMEC) in Fresno as the conference's featured jazz group.

For a full history of El Cerrito High School Bands please visit our website at www.echsbands.com/echsbandshistory

THE DIRECTOR

Keith Johnson has served as Director of Bands at El Cerrito High School since 2009. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in music and a Master of Arts degree in music education with an emphasis in wind band conducting from San José State University. Prior to arriving at El Cerrito High School, Keith held positions as Director of Jazz Bands at Portola Middle School in El Cerrito, California and Director of the Jazzschool Young Musicians Program in Berkeley, California, where he founded and directed the Downbeat Award-winning Jazzschool Studio Band.

Keith maintains an active schedule as an adjudicator, clinician, and guest conductor for honor bands and summer camps in Northern California. Groups under his direction have received numerous awards and performed in venues throughout North America and Europe including Carnegie Hall, Chicago's Symphony Hall, and at several jazz festivals including the Montruex, North Sea, Umbria, and Monterey jazz festivals among others. During his tenure at El Cerrito High School, the Jazz Ensemble and Wind Ensemble were both selected to perform at the California All-State Music Education Conference (CASMEC) in 2014 and 2018, respectively.

Keith has served on the on the boards of several professional organizations including the California Music Educators Association (CMEA), California Alliance for Jazz (CAJ), and currently as Past President of CMEA Bay Section. Keith has been the recipient of various teaching honors that include the El Cerrito High School Teacher of the Year in 2020, CMEA Bay Section Outstanding Jazz Educator Award in 2018, KRON 4 Teacher of the Week in 2016, CMEA Bay Section's Gilbert T. Freitas Outstanding Music Educator Award and West County Ed Fund's Teaching Excellence Award in 2014. In 2014, Keith was also recognized as the West Contra Costa Unified School District Teacher of the Year.

CONCERT BAND

FLUTE
Miki Berliner
Mariella Gutiérrez
Forrest Johnson
Ruby Miller *
Marianne Santos
Mateo Warmerdam

OBOE
Ava Luna

CLARINET
Sagan Daigle
Jack Duerr
Alex Johnson
Mason Larson *
Ben Mendelyon
Ronan Wynden

BASS CLARINET
Hollyce Bauer
Dominik Gansmiller

BASSOON
William Bowden *
Evan Ratner

ALTO SAX
Sean Fivian *
Ariel Barber

TENOR SAX
Javier Gutiérrez

BARITONE SAX
Kaila Bounthavy

TRUMPETS
Matteo Diaco *
Adam Feiszli
Kyra Liu
Evan Toth
Andrew Ybarra

FRENCH HORN
Tallulah Moon
Madison Norton
Guinevere Troxell *

TROMBONE
Ailyn Arias Sanchez
Henry Clason
Matthew D'Amato *
Marco Ivičič
Christian Vargas

EUPHONIUM
Anthony Conner
Aidan Herp

TUBA
Charles Pryor

PERCUSSION
Sonia Bruce
Marisol Castro *
Rocco Scarcella
Lyana Lum
Georgia Power

* *Principal players*

SYMPHONIC BAND

PICCOLO
Elena Royal

FLUTE
Ella Damty
Cali Fong
Edda Grondahl
Juliet Hilton
Melina Lozano *
Winter Phimister
Lucia Saridis

OBOE
Andrea Huynh *
Pablo Gomez
Felicity Wong

CLARINET
Sydney Bergero *
Sasha Cacho
Clariza Chavez
Melanie Padilla
Squid Pletcher
Natasha Rudd
Veronica Rudd
Cameron Square
Walt Williams

BASS CLARINET
Nora Dolan
Judith Keig
Spencer Wong

BASSOON
Lena Chinn
Dipaam Hotho
Grace Wong *

ALTO SAX
Meah Bauer
Phantom Brown
Mya de Hart
Oliver Kasprzycki *
Galianna Mendler

TENOR SAX
Nate Willett Burfoot

BARITONE SAX
Aniyah Jones
Maya Simon

TRUMPETS
Henry Addison *
Leia Fong
Ru Keenan
Tselha Khando
Mia Navarro

FRENCH HORN
Oliver Arkin
Carina Lucia *
Vincent Pugliesi
Maceo Reyes
Otis Lechner

TROMBONE
Brenden Cech
Amelia Harrington
Kinker Jorden
Kyan Kurihara
Pasha Krasnoiarov *
William Zwiebach

EUPHONIUM
Strider Boland
Yessenia Hernandez
Abigail Yee

TUBA
Peter Clason
Samuel Jepson
Alex MacDonald
Nirmal Shrestha

BASS
Henry Clayton

PERCUSSION
Sabra Chee
Silvio Gomez
Shirley Kattuah
Niall Monteleone
Tres Roberts
Athena Shiozaki

* *Principal players*

WIND ENSEMBLE

PICCOLO
Claire Diaco

FLUTE
Crystal Liong
Mayari Mendo
Jasmine Tavassolikhah *
Vienna Karlsson-Tung

OBOE
Bryn Bell
Jackson Brown *

CLARINET
Audrey Abt
Eleanor Addison
Tory Johansson
Orion Moon
Nora Thompson
Henry Warmerdam
Nigel Weiss *

BASS CLARINET
Layla Peachee
Julian Rosenthal

BASSOON
Maxwell Medveczky *
Emma Ruth

ALTO SAX
Jacob Mayer *
Skylar Regan
Romy Weitzer

TENOR SAX
Reese Roberts

BARITONE SAX
Kenji Malaowala

TRUMPET
Rika Adam
Lauren Bjeldanes
Nico Cohen Humphreys
Joseph Matthews
Linden Stacey *
Sam Schweitzer

FRENCH HORN
Citlali Mendo Pagtakhan *
Brenna Moore
Emilia Walker
Hannah Yee
Cole Raikow

TROMBONE
Jayden Balmaceda
Lucy Lebeck
Jeremy Rosenfeld
Johan Phan *
Arvid Pokhrel
Dechen Yangjor

EUPHONIUM
Sean Stokowski *
Benji Dutta

TUBA
Lucas Bown
Meridith Lackey
Ramiro Velasquez

BASS
Guy Gibson

PERCUSSION
Rosie (Amelia) Allen
Oliver Easton
Lewis Parkinson
Tobin Power
Isaac Satzman *
Evan Steinkoler
Jasper Swain

* *Principal players*

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