

The California Music Educators Association
Central Coast Section



2022-2023 HONORS CHOIR CONCERT

FEATURING

Middle School Honor Choir
High School Honor Choir

Salinas High School
726 S. Main St. Salinas, CA

January 28, 2023

2:00 p.m.

Welcome Message



Welcome to the 2022-2023 CCS Honor Concert. On behalf of the CMEA Central Coast Section Board of Directors, congratulations to the top young musicians from four counties - Monterey, San Benito, San Luis Obispo and Santa Cruz, who perform today and to those who made the extraordinary effort to audition for these high caliber ensembles.

After two years of adjusting to COVID 19 restrictions, it has been our duty to ensure we keep these events alive for the benefits of our students to expand their study of music. The guest conductors have selected and prepared challenging and engaging repertoire to build a cohesion of pedagogy in the art form and establish high standards for music education.

With the support of their communities, families, teachers and school administrators. Thank you for supporting and valuing arts education by supporting their journey to this stage. With this said, for the last 2 years we had run into some financial difficulties due to COVID. We are one of the only sections in California that tries to keep our audition and participation fees affordable for all students. With your donation we can keep our motto that music education is for all students regardless of finances. We need your support, if you agree please donate to our organization, so that we can keep these events in the future.

Today's concert is being digitally recorded and will be available on our website for free. We encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to obtain a professional recording. This is done by your donation!

Please plan to enjoy the entire concert. Concert etiquette and respect for the musicians ask that you silence all electronics, escort distressed children to the lobby, and use flash photography only between pieces. It is also requested that, if necessary, you enter or exit only between performances. Thank you for supporting a truly balanced curriculum for your students that includes music education. Enjoy the Concert!

Best,

Sam Oh, President.
CMEA-Central Coast Section

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Central Coast Section is an affiliate member of the California Music Educators Association.
CMEA is a Federated unit of NAFME: National Association for Music Education.

Purpose

Membership is open to all music educators working in public and private schools, colleges and universities in California. The purposes of the association are: (1) to promote access to a sequential music education for all Pre-K through Grade 12 students taught by fully qualified music educators; (2) to support and improve existing music programs; (3) to promote quality pre-service and in-service music teacher preparation programs; and, (4) to create a greater awareness of the value of music education through partnerships with other associations and advocacy among state and local agencies.

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Middle School Honor Choir Conductor



Scott Glysson is the Director of Choral Activities and Vocal Studies at Cal Poly State University in San Luis Obispo, California. Scott Glysson is Cal Poly's director of choral activities. He has been recognized for his achievements in conducting in both the choral and orchestral genres. As the conductor of university, high school and community ensembles, he performs both nationally and internationally. His conducting engagements include the Athens Philharmonic Orchestra in Greece, Pazardzhik Symphony Orchestra in Bulgaria, Royal Academy of Music in Dublin, Ireland, Bel Canto Chorus and Nairobi Conservatory Orchestra in Kenya, New England Symphonic Orchestra in Carnegie Hall as well as many regional and all-state festival choruses.

In 2017 Glysson was awarded the ACDA International Conducting Fellowship to Kenya, and has since served as clinician and co-founder of the bi-annual Nairobi Choral Conducting Workshop. As a graduate student, Glysson was honored as one of eight finalists from across the country to compete in the National Choral Conducting Competition sponsored by the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA). Additionally, Glysson serves as the Director of Music of the historic First Presbyterian Church of San Luis Obispo as well as the Artistic Director of the Santa Ynez Valley Chorale.

Previously, Glysson served as director of choral activities at West Liberty University in Wheeling, West Virginia. He has also held the position of artistic director and conductor of the Tucson Masterworks Chorale, assistant director of the internationally recognized Tucson Arizona Boys Chorus, assistant conductor of the Reston Chorale and teaching positions at several high schools in the Washington, D.C., area. An active scholar and educator, Glysson has presented and published in the fields of music education and musicology. In 2011, he was honored by the invitation to present his research on the motets of the medieval composer Guillaume de Machaut at the Rocky Mountain Chapter of the American Musicological Society. He has published featured articles in *The Choral Journal* and presented at both state and regional conferences of ACDA and NAFME in the area of music education. Glysson's dissertation and current research centers on the choral motets of Camille Saint-Saëns and the 19th-century cecilian Movement.

Glysson holds a Doctor of Musical Arts in choral conducting from the University of Arizona in Tucson, Arizona. He also holds a Master of Music in choral conducting from the University of Arizona, and a Bachelor of Music in music education from George Mason University.

High School Honor Choir Conductor



Jeffrey Benson is Artistic Director of Peninsula Cantare and Director of Choral Activities at San José State University. The *Washington Post* hails his choirs for singing “with an exquisite blend, subtlety of phrasing, confident musicianship and fully supported tone.”

Dr. Benson made his international conducting debut with the Irish Chamber Orchestra and the SJSU Choraliens in Limerick, Ireland in 2016, and he made his Carnegie Hall conducting debut in 2015 with the SJSU Choirs and the New York Festival Orchestra. He has served as cover conductor for the Grammy

award-winning Washington Chorus, where he helped to prepare the ensemble for Maestros Leonard Slatkin and Marvin Hamlisch. Choirs under his direction have performed at multiple state and regional choral conferences and have toured throughout the United States and Europe, including invited performances at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, The White House and Washington National Cathedral. Recently Dr. Benson’s choirs have been invited to perform with the Rolling Stones, Josh Groban, Andrea Bocelli, Sarah Brightman, the Los Angeles Festival Orchestra and the Skywalker Orchestra.

Dr. Benson is a published composer and arranger, and is editor of the Jeffrey Benson Choral Series with Gentry Publications. He has compositions published with Colla Voce Music and Santa Barbara Music Publishing, under the Charlene Archibeque Choral Series.

Dr. Benson currently serves as Immediate Past President of the California Choral Directors Association (CCDA) and on the National Advocacy and Collaboration Committee for the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA). In addition, he is an active member of the National Association for Music Education and the National Collegiate Choral Organization. ACDA recognized Benson with the first annual Colleen Kirk Award for his outstanding achievement as a young conductor.

Benson received his Masters degree and his Doctorate in Choral Conducting/Music Education from The Florida State University and his Bachelor’s degree in Music Education from New York University.

Middle School Honor Choir

Scott Glysson, Conductor
Sam Oh, CCS MS Honor Choir Chair
Easther NG, Accompanist

Be the Change.....Laura Farnell

Djembe Jared Masar

Pie Jesu.....Mary Lynn Lightfoot

Tres Canciones de los Elementos.....Victor C. Johnson

In Time of Silver Rain.....Sarah Quartel

Bawo Thixo Somandla.....arr. K Mulwa

Djembe Jared Masar

High School Honor Choir

Jeffrey Benson, Conductor
Tom Lehmkuhl, CCS HS Honor Choir Chair
Teruyo Petrocelli, Accompanist

Dixit Dominus.....Marianna Martines
arr. Andrew Hathaway

When You Go A-Courtin'.....arr. Jeffrey Benson

Hope Lingers On.....Lissa Schneckenburger
arr. Andrea Ramsey

Star Light.....Trevor Tran

Wild Forces.....Jake Runestad

Middle/High School Combination Piece

Walk in Jerusalem.....arr. Rollo A. Dillworth

Middle School Honor Choir

Soprano

Maye Beatman * MHM
Haven Borg * GVM
Abigail Bullock * PGM
Giselle Calderon * GVM
Alexia Everhart * PGM
Jordan Ewings * MHM
Adelyn Greco * PGM
Patience Jimenez * WMS
Skylar Jones * JGM
Ruby KirkHart * MHM
Hannah Kirkwood * CMS
Ameyah Lane * WMS
Pia Marie McAdams * WMS
Emunah Minami * MHM
Max Moran * WMS
Amelia Nunez * MHM
Andrea Olvera * CMS
Maizie Paulson * WMS
Jamilia Pham * WMS
Rhianna Ramirez * WMS
Paizly Ravazza * MHM
Maggie Robertson * MHM
Shyamali Sheth * CMS
Avery Smith * PGM
Brooklyn Smith * PGM
Valerie Solis * WMS

Alto

Idaly Andrade-Diaz * LPM
Maya Bernardi * MHM
Nico Brockmeyer * PGM
Bella Cahn * MHM
Randy Cardenas * WMS
Clara Coming * CMS
Coco Cracolice * MHM
Lucy Demaster * Pebble Beach
Joseph Frago * WMS
Isabella Hamilton * PGM
Hazel Hammer * MHM
Delilah Henderson * MHM
Isabella Hernandez * LPM
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Valerie Jimenez-Rivera * LPM
Fallon Lykken * CMS
Phoenix Mendoza * WMS
Mia Mille * MHM
Julia Peevers * MHM
Adeline Pereyo * PGM
Naima Rubin * MHM
Catalina Saenz * SBM
Bella Serna * WMS
Fiona Steinberg * CMS
Gael Vega * WMS

Baritone

Ryan Bartlett * PGM
Ari Breton * MHM
Heaven Cardenas * MHM
Oscar Cardona * LPM
Lawrence Cheung * WMS
Baelin Davi * WMS
Maxwell Deegan * PGM
Anders Lindstrom * SBM
Zo McCarthy * MHM
Ethan SanFilippo * PGM
Aidan SanFilippo * PGM
Reuben Wax * MHM

High School Honor Choir

Soprano

Serra Arkan * PGH
Alyssa Bathke * PGH
Brielle Coombs * CHS
Bryony Crawford * GBK
Abigail Deutsch * PCS
Dayci Dishny * PGH
Lila Glazier * CHS
Samantha Hernandez * SAL
Sarah Huang * RLS
Abdi Kuri * ALH
Claire Lee * RLS
Amelie Lindberg * SCH
TJ Linnevers * CHS
Annette Ma * RLS
Jennifer Macauley * SCH
Tiana Magdaleno * SAL
Grayden Miller * CHS
Juliet Norman * CHS
Phia O' Gorman * RLS
June Parvis * SCS
Sophie Posamentier * RLS
Ansam Qureshi * RLS
Ella Rasmussen * CHS
Betty Ray * GBK
Scarlett Staker * SAL
Amleer Waldo * PCS
Ellen Zhan * PCS
Lucia Mott * SCH

Alto

Hailey Atkinson * PGH
Theresa Cosentino * CHS
Sophia Douglas * CHS
Madison Estrada * SAL
Aubrey Fessenden * PCS
Alyssa Galicia * CHS
Greer Hambly * APT
Hannah James * SAL
Gabrielle Kaatz * PGH
Rosemary Kanko * PCS
Emily Lopez * SAL
Tahlia Magdaleno * SAL
Piper Mahoney * CHS
Aaliyah Medina * PGH
Karen Meheen * CHS
Luisa Montano * NSHS
Layla Pasquini * SCH
Alexis Pine * CHS
Feyre Rykowski * SAL
Yeimi Sampedro * ALH
Max Shields * SCH
Naina Singh * CHS
Hazel Termini * SOQ

Tenor

Adam Angel * CHS
Dakota Boulware * PGH
Colin Dowse * CHS
William Herr * MHS
Chase Lander * CHS
Riley Mabry * CHS
Max Magana * ALH
Jack Norman * CHS
Misael Reyes * SAL
Felipe Romero-Vega * SFH
Daniel Vizcarra * SAL

Bass

Henry Bell * CHS
Sebastian Blessing * CHS
Andrew Careaga * CHS
Mateo Cuprill * APT
Sebastian Danielson * CHS
Matteo DeMarco * SCH
John Dinkel * CHS
Julius Dutta * CHS
Simon Garcia * ALH
Leonardo Lopez-Sepulveda * NSHS
Olin Otteman-Strauss * GBK
Bryan Roldan * NSHS
Owen Shirrell * CHS
Nathan Stevens * PGH

Key to Schools- Middle School

<u>School</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>School Code</u>
Carmel Middle School.....	Tom Lehmkuhl.....	CMS
Gavilan View Middle School.....	Diane Gehling.....	GVM
John Gutierrez Middle School.....	Shannon Casapia.....	JGM
La Paz Middle School.....	Kellen Fant.....	LPM
Mission Hill Middle School.....	Christy Latham.....	MHM
Pacific Grove Middle School	Barbara Priest.....	PGM
Stevenson School.....	Robbie Stange.....	RLS
San Benancio Middle School.....	Sammie Cohen.....	SBM
Washington Middle School.....	Michelle Boulware.....	WMS

Key to Schools- High School

<u>School</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>School Code</u>
Alisal High School.....	Sam Oh.....	ALH
Aptos High School.....	Holly Ota.....	APT
Carmel High School.....	Tom Lehmkuhl.....	CHS
Georgina Bruce Kirby School.....	Eric Newell.....	GBK
Monterey High School.....	Charles Fleming.....	MHS
North Salinas High School.....	Brandon Ellsworth.....	NSHS
Pacific Collegiate School.....	Heather Calame.....	PCS
Pacific Grove High School.....	Michelle Boulware.....	PGH
Robert Louis Stevenson School.....	Willow Manspeaker.....	RLS
Salinas High School.....	Michelle Boulware.....	SAL
Soquel High School.....	Jorge Torrez.....	SOQ
Santa Cruz High School.....	Jorge Torrez.....	SCH
St. Francis High School.....	Dan Dewig.....	SFH

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Why Donate?

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