

Calendar

- Nov. 6** Tuition payments due
- Nov. 6** "Classically Yours" Concert
4:00 p.m.
San Jacinto South Campus
- Nov. 13** Preparatory Orchestra Talent
Search 2:30 p.m.
- Nov. 20** No rehearsal
- Nov. 27** Rehearsal as usual
- Dec. 3** "Sounds of the Holidays" Concert
with Bay Area Youth Singers
1:00 pm rehearse/3:00 Concert
Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

BE A VOLUNTEER !!

I would like to thank everyone who has come forward and offered their time to help support BAYS in our efforts to grow this season in both time and quality of experience. However, we still have very few parents helping with the many jobs and roles that need to be filled in order to make BAYS the best it can be. We need more help in the following areas especially:

- * **Concert Duties**
- * **Promotional & Community Outreach**
- * **Fund-Raising**

Please contact me to volunteer your time.
chrisalex1138@hotmail.com
281-984-7807

Thank you, Christine Alexander



Conductors' Instructions!

From: **Lisa Black & Tom Dinardis**

Sign-In Sheets:

Please remember to sign in on the roster at the beginning of each rehearsal. It will be in the Commons near the entry.

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"Simply Classical Concert" Sunday, November 6, 2011 4:00 PM

San Jacinto College South Campus Proscenium Theatre Building No. 15

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Parking Information:

The best parking lot for parents is number 16 on the campus map. It leads right into the atrium where the theatre is located. If you chose to park at No. 15 on the map you will walk down the hall to reach the proscenium theatre.

Symphony Instructions: Arrive at 1:45

Arrive in your formal concert black as described below. Unpack in rehearsal room S-15.143 at 1:45 pm. Be tuned and ready to rehearse on stage at 2:00 pm. Do not be late!

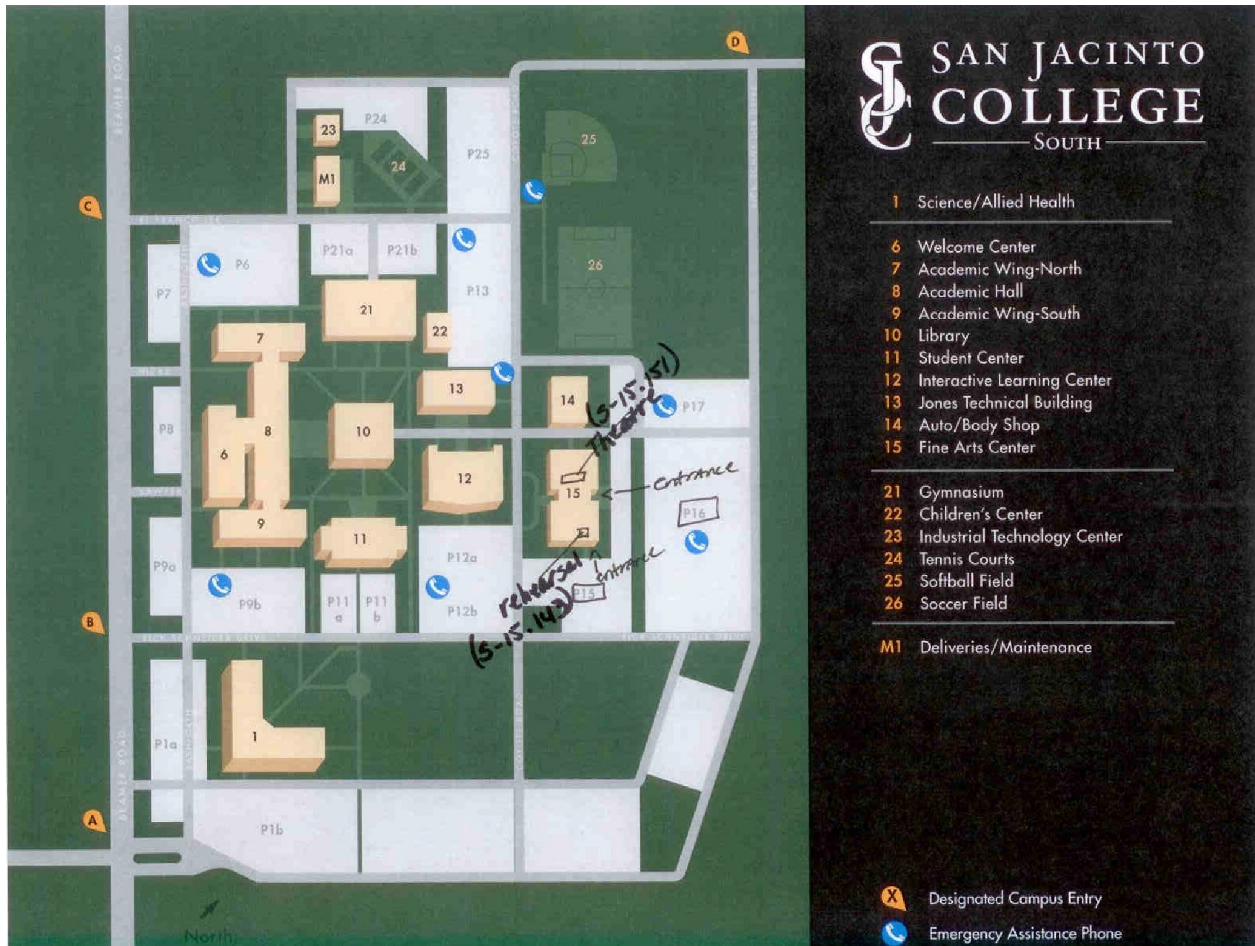
Preparatory Instructions: Arrive at 2:40

Arrive in your concert black and white as described below. Make sure that your binder in is concert order. Tuning will be in the rehearsal room S-15.143 at 2:40 pm. At 3:00, move to the stage and parents can wait in the atrium. Parents will keep the cases of the students and save a seat for them in the audience when the house opens.

Tickets are \$10. CDs and DVDs will be available to order before the concert.

Rehearsals:

BAYS will resume rehearsals on November 13th at 2:30 at Space Center Intermediate. There are very few rehearsals before the next concert on December 3rd. Please make certain to attend every rehearsal.



*******CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS for "CLASSICALLY YOURS" CONCERT*******

Our concert is one week away and almost half of our needed parent volunteer positions remain unfilled. These duties are not difficult, but are crucial to the success of the concert and must be filled by volunteers. As a non-profit organization we do not have the resources to pay for these services. Please step forward to support the organization and your child. We need ticket takers, CD sales people, and one more Preparatory Orchestra Assistant.



***Come One
Come All
Read All
About It!!!***

It is time to offer local businesses an opportunity to support BAYS. We are asking that each member family find one sponsor by November 18th.

Please visit the "Support" page on our website at www.bayareayouthsymphony.org, print the advertising form and help us find sponsors for our 2011 Season. All sponsors will be included in our concert programs, thanked in all community advertising of our concerts and can be linked to our website on our sponsors page. It is a very inexpensive way to reach thousands of homes while supporting the arts. We are a non-profit organization and contributions are tax deductible. Thank you.

A Word from the Treasurer

This is a friendly reminder that member tuition is due on or before November 6th. I will be available to take payments at Sunday rehearsals from 2:00 to 2:30pm in the Space Center Intermediate commons area or you may mail your payment to:

BAYS
2437 Bay Area Blvd., #131
Houston, TX 77058

Remember to notate your child's full name on your check. Please contact me directly at baysinfo@gmail.com if you have any questions about your tuition balance. Music for each new concert will not be checked out to a student until the payment installment is complete. Also, if you have not yet turned in your 2011-2012 season application please take a few minutes to fill one out on-line at www.bayareayouthsymphony.org

New members joining BAYS on November 13th; prorated tuition for the remainder of the season is \$320 for Symphonic Orchestra and \$200 for Preparatory Orchestra. Member applications, \$25 application fee and tuition is due on or before Sunday, November 27, 2011.

Thank you in advance!
Karen Dinardis



BAYS Concert Attire

Men will wear a tuxedo or black suit, white tuxedo shirt, black bow tie and cummerbund, black socks and black dress shoes.

Ladies will wear a sleeved, full-length black dress, or black blouse, black skirt, black dress slacks with black hose and black shoes.

Preparatory Orchestra boys will wear a white dress shirt with black dress slacks and tie. Girls may wear any dress that has bright white and dark black. It may have pattern or be solid. All students must wear black shoes.

BAYS Tuition Policy

Tuition for symphony level members for the 2011/2012 season is \$480.00. Tuition for preparatory level members is \$300.00. Tuition covers all concerts, rehearsals, sectional coaches, concert venues, music, a BAYS t-shirt, and fees and services paid out through BAYS from September to May. Bay Area Youth Symphony accepts checks, money orders and cash. We do not accept credit cards at this time. Symphony level tuition is given a \$55.00 discount if paid in full on or before November 6, 2011 making total tuition only \$425.00.

Symphony level members choosing to pay in installments will follow the following payment schedule:

*1st Installment of \$210.00 due on September 11, 2011

*2nd Installment of \$215.00 due on November 6, 2011 in order to receive \$55.00 discount **OR**

**2nd Installment option of \$270.00 due on February 5, 2011 that does not include \$55.00 discount because time extension is given.

Preparatory level tuition is due on or before November 6, 2011. A minimum payment of \$100.00 is due by Sunday, September 11, 2011. There is no discount given on preparatory level tuition.

BAYS is a non-profit organization, so tuition rates are based solely on the funds needed to operate the organization and manage its financial needs. Please contact our treasurer Karen Dinardis at dinardis@earthlink.net for information regarding tuition payments. Music for each new concert will not be checked out to a student until all tuition is paid or the payment installment is complete. For instruments such as the harp that might not be used for every concert, tuition will be pro-rated.

Updated Season Schedule

2011-12 Bay Area Youth Symphony Dates Symphony and Preparatory Orchestras (Revised 10/26)

Rehearsals are on EVERY Sunday from 2:30-4:30, preparatory 2:30-3:45 except those noted below. Student must arrive early for unpacking/tuning. Rehearsal MUST begin promptly at 2:30 at Space Center Intermediate School. The building will open at 2:10 for set up and tuning.

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| Sunday, September 11 th | General Parent Meeting 1:45-2:30 2:30-4:30 Rehearsal |
| Sunday, September 25 th | Bring a Friend Day Bullritos Dinner/Fundraiser after rehearsal (tentative date) |
| Sunday, October 9 th | Chair Auditions |
| Sunday, October 30 st | Halloween Treats during rehearsal!!! |
| Sunday, November 6 th | "Classically Yours Concert" San Jacinto College South Campus 4 pm No rehearsals on Nov. 20 for Thanksgiving YES to Sunday, November 27 th |
| Saturday, December 3 rd | Sounds of the Holidays with the Bay Area Youth Singers Gloria Dei Lutheran Church Rehearsal at 1:00, Concert at 3:00 No rehearsals Dec. 18, 25 or Jan. 1 for Holiday |
| Sunday, January 8 Sunday, January 22 nd <i>Sunday, February 12th</i> <i>***DATE CHANGE***</i> | Rehearsals resume Concerto Competition Application Due Date <i>Concerto Competition 5:00 Location TBA (no regular rehearsals)</i> |
| Sunday, February 19 th | "NASA Tribute Concert" Performing Arts Center Dobie High School (8 rehearsals-HS musicals interrupting) No rehearsal for Spring Break March 11 th |
| Sunday, March 18 th | REHEARSAL-Do not miss it! No rehearsal on April 8 th due to Easter Sunday |
| Sunday, April 15 th | Chair Auditions |
| Saturday, April 21 st | Classical Master's Festival (Strings Only) Clear Springs HS (tentative site) |
| <i>Sunday, May 20th</i> <i>***DATE CHANGE***</i> | <i>Mika Hasler Concerto Winners Award Concert</i> <i>San Jacinto College South Campus 4 pm</i> |

***** Please arrive at rehearsals no later than 2:10 to set up and get tuned. Preparatory Orchestra rehearses 2:30 to 3:45, Symphonic Orchestra rehearses 2:30 to 4:30.***
***** All calendar events include both Preparatory and Symphonic Orchestras unless otherwise noted, including "Sounds of the Holidays".***

BAYS IN CYBERSPACE!!!!!!!!!!

BAYS is pleased to announce a major upgrade of our web site. Thanks to a lot of hard work by Anne at Blue Lake Design, we have a completely new look and a much more informative web site. The site now allows the conductors and board officers to make their own updates to the information on the site, so we intend the web site to be the One Stop Shop place for our parent members and students to get the latest information about everything: rehearsals, concert details, volunteering, and fundraising. Please check back regularly for the latest updates at www.bayareayouthsymphony.org

All the information is up to date, although we anticipate doing just a little rearranging over the coming weeks to make finding information as simple as possible. Check it out!

BOOK DONATION FUNDRAISER

Donations will be collected at each rehearsal to be redeemed at Half Price Books.

All proceeds will be used for BAYS expenses such as facility rental, concert program, sheet music and more.

Items Accepted:

- Paperback Books
- Hardback Books
- Records
- Comics
- CDs
- DVDs
- Video Games

Items Not Accepted

- Magazines
- Cassettes/Video Tapes
- Damaged Items



***Support BAYS at Cuisine of India!
Cuisine of India will donate 10% of
all buffet sales on the last
Saturday of every month between
12 & 2 pm, for the length of our
season!***

***Please note on your receipt that
you are a BAYS donor patron and
support our program!***

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