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Cal Poly Music Sets May Memorials for Two Well-Known Faculty Members

SAN LUIS OBISPO – The Music Department will honor two deceased colleagues in May: Roy Main and Ross Sears.

The life of Main, who died May 9, 2011, will be celebrated at noon Saturday, May 12, in Room 218 in the Davidson Music Center on campus. (This is a change in time from previous announcements.)

Cal Poly faculty, students, alumni and guests will perform.

Main had been Cal Poly’s low-brass teacher and trombone choir director. He also taught trombone at Cuesta College and performed with local jazz groups. Main served on the faculties at CSU Los Angeles and Long Beach before he came to the Central Coast.

A tribute for Sears, who died March 18, 2012, will be held at 5:30 p.m Thursday, May 17, in Cal Poly’s Spanos Theatre.

The Music Department will be joined by the San Luis Obispo Symphony and Festival Mozaic in presenting musical performances and personal remembrances.

Sears had been a percussionist with the San Jose Symphony, Opera San Jose, West Bay Opera, Monterey Symphony, San Jose Civic Light Opera, Symphony Orchestra of Maracaibo-Venezuela and San Diego Symphony and Opera. He performed locally with the San Luis Obispo Symphony, Opera San Luis Obispo, Cuesta Master Chorale, Vocal Arts Ensemble, PCPA Theatrefest, Festival Mozaic, Santa Barbara Symphony and Santa Maria Philharmonic. He also performed with various jazz groups.

These celebrations are open to the public and are intended to provide a chance to remember two great men, musicians and teachers.

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