Cal Poly to Present Bandfest on Nov. 17

SAN LUIS OBISPO — More than 275 students will perform at Cal Poly's annual Bandfest at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17, in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center.

The show, titled "The Year of the Dragon," will feature the Cal Poly Wind Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, and Pride of the Pacific Mustang Marching Band in an evening of bold and powerful works for the modern wind band and the traditional stadium marching band.

The performance celebrates the Chinese Year of the Dragon by featuring works inspired by the mystical, natural and supernatural aspects of human existence. The Wind Ensemble and Wind Orchestra will take the audience on a journey that explores both the seen and unseen universe.

The Mustang Band will present arrangements they will perform at this fall's football games in Spanos Stadium.

The Wind Orchestra and the Wind Ensemble will bring the concert to a close with a performance of "Mars" from Gustav Holst's masterpiece "The Planets." The concert will also include performances of "Dusk" by Steven Bryant, "Night Journey" by Scott Watson, "Aerospace" by Maxime Aulio, and "The Year of the Dragon" by Philip Sparke.

Tickets to the concert are $12 and $14 for the public and $9 and $12 for senior citizens and students. New pricing includes all Performing Arts Center fees, and event parking is now sponsored by the PAC. Tickets are sold at the Performing Arts Ticket office between noon and 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. To order by phone, call SLO-4TIX (756-4849).

The Music Department offers a 10 percent discount to patrons who buy season tickets to four of its events through the Performing Arts Ticket Office; a 15 percent discount is given on tickets to five or more events.

The concert is sponsored by Cal Poly's College of Liberal Arts, Music Department, and Instructionally Related Activities program. For more information, call the Music Department at 805-756-2406.

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