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Cal Poly Music Department Announces Events -- Multiple-Ticket Discounts Offered

SAN LUIS OBISPO - The Cal Poly Music Department's 2007-2008 season has something for everybody, including discounts for season-ticket holders.

The upcoming season also marks the first time in which tickets may be purchased in advance to Arab Music Ensemble performances.

The season will kick off with the Cal Poly Choirs' Debut Concert on Oct. 27 at 8 p.m. in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center's Cohan Center. Cal Poly organist Paul Woodring will display the sounds of the new Forbes Pipe Organ while PolyPhonics, The University Singers, and the Early Music Ensemble present inspirational music for voice and organ. Tickets are \$8 for students, \$12 and \$14 for seniors, \$13 and \$15 for the public.

"Out of this World" is the title of Bandfest '07, set for Saturday, Nov. 17, at 8 p.m. in Harman Hall. The concert is billed as an evening of enchantment, featuring the Cal Poly Wind Orchestra and Wind Ensemble in some of the most powerful wind band compositions ever written. The Pride of the Pacific Mustang Marching Band, decked out in new uniforms, will perform its traditional stadium halftime highlights. Tickets are \$8 and \$11 for students, \$13 and \$15 for seniors, and \$16 and \$19 for the public.

The Cal Poly Symphony's Fall Concert Sunday, Nov. 18, will feature the Amelia Piano Trio. Called "exemplary" by Strad magazine, the group will give the West Coast premiere of Daron Hagen's "Orpheus and Eurydice: Concerto for Violin, Cello, Piano and Orchestra." The Symphony will also perform Beethoven's powerful Fifth Symphony. Tickets are \$6 for students, \$8 and \$10 for seniors, and \$10 and \$12 for the public.

The University Jazz Bands and Cal Poly Jazz Combos will present their Fall Concert Friday, Nov. 30, at 8 p.m. in Spanos Theatre. The program includes an eclectic mix of jazz standards and modern compositions. Tickets are \$6 for students, \$8 for seniors and Jazz Federation members and \$10 for the public.

To help get in the holiday mood, the Cal Poly Choirs will present their annual "A Christmas Celebration" concert Saturday, Dec. 1, at 8 p.m., in Harman Hall. The Cal Poly Choirs will premiere a new work for chorus and the Forbes Pipe Organ, composed by Cal Poly Music Professor Meredith Brammeier. Holiday favorites and a carol sing-a-long are all part of the holiday tradition. This event sells out quickly, so early reservations are suggested. Tickets are \$10 for students, \$16 and \$19 for seniors, and \$17 and \$20 for the public.

Winter and spring will include performances by the groups mentioned above plus the Arab Music Ensemble; Cal Poly music faculty members; the Opera Workshop; the Early Music Ensemble; RSVP XIII, part of a diverse transmedia series; an All-State Music Festival; and more.

Cal Poly's Music Department also offers swing dance concerts and several free student vocal, piano and instrumental recitals. For more information, including a complete list of events for the 2007-2008 season, go to the

online calendar at <http://music.calpoly.edu/calendar>, e-mail music@calpoly.edu, or call 756-2406.

Tickets can be bought at the Performing Arts Ticket Office 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. To order by phone, call SLO-ARTS (756-2787). Patrons who buy season tickets to four events will receive a 10 percent discount; a 15 percent discount is given for tickets to five or more events.

All events are sponsored by Cal Poly's Music Department and the College of Liberal Arts. Several are co-sponsored by the Instructionally Related Activities program.

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