

HIGHLAND PARK FINE ARTS

October 6, 2020




Achievements/Honors/Events...

FINE ARTS UPDATES

- Welcome to the following HPISD Fine Arts Faculty, either new or changed roles... **HPHS:** Rylon Guidry – Head Band Director; Dustin Lucas – Assistant Choir Director; Tyler Perring – Theatre Director; Chelsea Scott – Sculpture/AP Art History/Art 1/Photo Teacher; Christopher Tran – Orchestra Director. **HPMS/MIS:** Asia Charles – Assistant Orchestra Director; Madison Haas – 5-6 Art; Loren Taylor – Head Band Director. **Boone Elementary:** Morgan Newsoroff – Art; Joseph Whitenton – Music.
- ****Please note that any dates/times in this newsletter could change or be canceled due to the unusual circumstances our students and teachers bravely face - with a mask! Virtual events could also be added after the printing of this newsletter. Check the HPISD Activities Calendar at http://hpsid.tandem.co/index.php?type=view&action=month&cur_month=10&cur_year=2020 to see if performances/events have been added or if your event has been canceled/changed.****

HPHS DANCE

- The Belles host a take-out only Spaghetti Supper on October 9 from 5-7 pm, before the HP vs Coppell football game. This year members of the Belles Booster Club bring all orders to patrons' cars in the front of the school on Emerson. Dinner tickets are \$11 each through Oct. 9, purchased either from your favorite Belle or email Spaghetti Supper at bellesspaghettisupper@gmail.com.
The image shows five cheerleaders standing on a grassy field. They are wearing blue and white uniforms with white skirts and blue tops. They are all wearing face masks. In the background, there are trees and a building.

The theme "Kickin' in a New Decade" builds on the 37-year tradition as the Belles' only fundraiser with a new online silent auction and raffle beginning October 2nd through the 9th. Text highlandbelles to 56651 to be directed to the auction site or go to highlandbelles.muradbid.com. There are over 500 exciting auction donations. Many enticing raffle basket chances are \$5 each or 6 for \$25. The Belles are grateful for Amore Italian Restaurant's 25 years of partnership and also thank the presenting sponsor The HP Program Tutoring Service. Proceeds fund many of the team's essentials such as props, transportation, competition expenses, etc. Belles thank you all for your support!

HPHS DEBATE

- HPHS Debate has been busy and successful since August, competing in virtual tournaments. Congratulations to juniors Evan Wang and Andrew Lind for placing 3rd in Varsity Policy Debate at the Plano Senior High Debate tournament on August 28-29!
- Once again, the junior debate team of Evan Wang and Andrew Lind placed 3rd in Varsity Policy Debate at the Southlake Carroll Dragon Faire Debate tournament on September 4-5 – congrats!
- On September 11-12, freshman Tracy Gong advanced to the semifinals in Student Congress, placing 30th out of a field of over 100 from around the country at the Grapevine Classic Debate tournament. Congratulations, Tracy!
- Good luck to the debate teams at these upcoming tournaments: Naaman Forest, Garland – Oct. 16-17; Plano West – Oct. 23-24.



MUSIC

The TMEA All-Region auditions process is virtual this year via a 5-day window of audio submissions. Students follow their director's instructions for their particular group. Best of luck!

HPHS BAND

- TMEA HS All-Region Jazz student recording/upload window began October 3-7. Those advancing to Area Jazz can record/upload October 31-November 4. Good luck!
- TMEA HS All-Region Band Phase 1 student recording/upload window is November 14-18. Good luck!



- BBQ with the Band is take-out only this year from 4:30-6:30 pm in the front of HPHS on Emerson. Tickets are \$12 each and food is graciously catered by Sonny Bryan's BBQ. Amazing raffle baskets, each worth \$1,500, include: **Gold Rush** (NorthPark Gold); **Apple of My I** (Apple Store gift card); **BBQ Bonanza**

(Large Big Green Egg package); **Show me the Money** (Visa gift card) and **Plaid Gratitude** (for an HPISD employee - purchase this ticket in any HPISD staff member's name and a notification email will be sent to that staff member regarding the ticket purchase made on his/her behalf.) Raffle tickets are \$5 each or six for \$25.

Remember that November 13 is also the Blue Out game in Highlander Stadium, so get your 2020 t-shirt for \$22 or long-sleeved t-shirt for \$25. Go to www.hphsband.com & click on *Fundraisers* to purchase anything listed above.

All proceeds help offset band operating costs such as equipment, transportation, instrument repairs, and guest instructors. If you need further info, contact Booster co-chairs Tara Lewis twlewisdallas@gmail.com or Nicole Hudson nicolerhudson@msn.com. Drum majors (pictured left to right) Rachel Sobolevitch, Bryn Hutton, and Denice Devkumar appreciate your support!



HPMS BAND

- HPMS ExtravaBANDza is virtual this year on October 17. Professional musicians on every instrument work remotely through online meetings with each section on All-Region audition scales and music from 9:00 am–12:30 pm.
- TMEA All-Region Middle School Band student recording/upload window is November 7-11. Good luck!
- HPMS 7/8 Bands present a virtual Veterans concert on November 11 at 6:30 pm.

HPHS CHOIR

- TMEA HS All-District Choir student recording/upload window is October 10-14. TMEA 9/10 All-Region student recording/upload window is November 7-11. Good luck!

A flyer for a "CHOIR Fiesta DINNER" on Friday, November 27th. It features a photo of four young women in white dresses holding large, colorful pom-poms. The text on the flyer includes: "CHOIR Fiesta DINNER", "FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27th TACO TAKE-OUT 4:30 to 6:30", "PURCHASE \$10 DINNER & \$5 RAFFLE TICKETS FROM ANY CHOIR MEMBER", "Raffle Prizes", "FREDERICKSBURG HILL COUNTRY GETAWAY (2,250 value)", "2,000 value APPLE GIFT CARD & TECH TREATS", "RESTAURANT GIFT CARDS GALORE (1,500 value)", and "1,500 value AMAZON GIFT CARD & GOODIES".

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HPHS CHOIR, continued

- HPHS Choir Fiesta Dinner is take-out only this year on November 27 from 4:30-6:30 pm. Swing by the front of HPHS on Emerson to pick up “Take-out Tacos” and sides provided by Taco Joint -- it will be such a treat the day after Thanksgiving turkey!! Tickets are \$10 each, sold by any HPHS choir member.

Press your luck with these awesome raffle prizes to help the Choir’s 19th annual fundraiser: ***Retreat in the Texas Hill Country*** (2 nights at Fredericksburg Inn & Suites; Dinner for 2 at Vaudeville Restaurant, wine tasting, shopping & spending money galore!-\$2,250 value); ***A Techie Lover’s Dream*** (Apple Store gift card with a technical boost of goodies-\$2,000 value); ***Shop, Sip & Ship*** (Amazon gift card basket with caffeinated goodies to shop all night!-\$1,500 value); and ***Dinner is Served!*** (Large variety of local restaurant gift cards that will please everyone in the family-\$1,500 value). Raffle basket tickets are \$5 each or 6 tickets for \$25. Tickets are sold by any choir student.

Proceeds from this event fund UIL competition fees and a much needed new sound system with recording equipment for the new choir room. Sydney Moore, Jennifer Clementson, Ellie Steindorf, and Lyla Meece (pictured left to right) thank you very much for your support!

HPHS ORCHESTRA

- TMEA HS All-Region Orchestra student recording/upload window is October 10-14. Those advancing to Area Orchestra can record/upload October 31-November 4. Good luck!

MIS/HPMS ORCHESTRA

- MIS/HPMS Orchestra is in the process of recording a virtual Hauncert for October 28, time to be decided. Members of the HPHS Orchestra may join in on the fun.

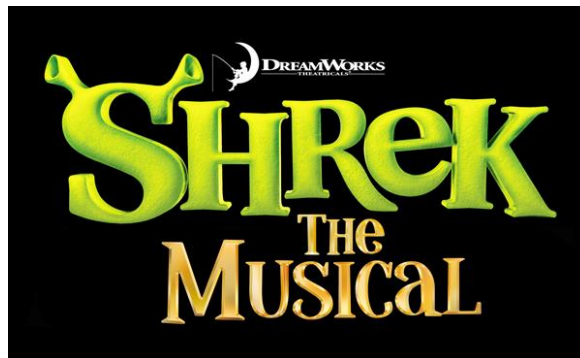
HPHS THEATRE

- HPHS Fine Arts presents the 2020 musical ***Shrek the Musical***, book and lyrics by David Lindsay-Abaire and music by Jeanine Tesori. Performances are Thursday & Saturday, November 19 and 21, at 7:00 pm and Sunday November 22 at 2:00 pm. There will be limited seating in the auditorium to accommodate social distancing guidelines. Streaming will also be available. Ticket information will be announced in the November Fine Arts Newsletter, if not before.

Who can resist the tale of an unlikely hero who finds himself on a life-changing journey alongside a wisecracking Donkey and a feisty princess who resists her rescue? ***Shrek the Musical*** is based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the book by William Steig. It was originally produced on

Broadway by DreamWorks Theatricals and Neal Street Productions. One more thing...

Do you know how many times Shrek says DONKEY in the first movie? **1,099,511,627,776 times!**



-- Next Fine Arts Newsletter on November 4, 2020 --
Newsletter by Susan Cruz

A QUICK GLANCE AT UPCOMING FINE ARTS EVENTS

(Red-HPHS events; Blue-HPMS/MIS events) *Any event could be canceled/changed*

Concerts/Performances

October 28

MIS/HPMS Orchestra Hauntcert – Virtual, time TBA

November 11

HPMS Band Veterans concert – Virtual, 6:30 pm

November 19, 21, 22

HPHS Fine Arts presents *Shrek the Musical* – HPMS Palmer Auditorium & Streaming (more info to come)
19th & 21st at 7:00 pm; 22nd at 2:00 pm



Competitions/Other Events

October 2-9

HPHS Highland Belles Silent Auction – Online at highlandbelles.muradbid.com

October 2-9

HPHS Highland Belles Spaghetti Supper – take-out 5-7 pm in front of HPMS on Emerson



October 12

HPMS Band ExtravaBANDza – Virtual, 9:00 am – 12:30 pm

October 16-17

HPMS Debate – Naaman Forest HS, Garland

October 23-24

HPMS Debate – Plano West Sr. High

November 13

HPMS BBQ with the Band – take-out 4:30-6:30 pm in front of
HPMS on Emerson

HPMS Blue Out Game – Highlander Stadium, 7:30 pm

November 27

HPMS Choir Fiesta Dinner – take-out 4:30-6:30 pm in front of HPMS on Emerson

