



HIGHLAND PARK FINE ARTS

February 2, 2020

ACHIEVEMENTS/HONORS...

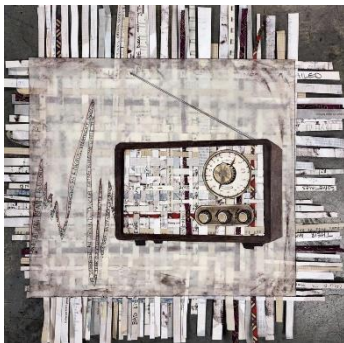


**** Please note that any dates/times in this newsletter could change or be canceled due to the unusual circumstances our students and teachers bravely face - with a mask! Virtual events could also be added after the printing of this newsletter. Check with your student's director or the HPISD Activities Calendar to verify if performances/events have been added or canceled/changed: ****

HPHS ART (faculty)



♥ Congratulations to Alex Sharp, HPHS Art teacher, for being spotlighted as a creative “hidden gem” in **VoyageDallas**, a publication that began in Los Angeles and has spread to Dallas and other cities with a platform that supports small businesses, independent artists and entrepreneurs. Ms. Sharp is an artist that specializes in drawing, printmaking and mixed media. In her 4th year of teaching art at HPHS, she encourages her students to put themselves out there and be confident in what they create. Her students have



inspired her to realize she was not practicing what she repeatedly told them to do, so she is now doing more commissioned work. Go to <http://voyagedallas.com/interview/meet-alex-sharp-alex-sharp-art-addison/?fbclid=IwAR3f9xKjLVT4v-rL7S-3zrOhyqQcn9p4t6sSQLwiX6HFGMVeCCUfTXdD-hU> to view more of her her personal inspirational her passion and purpose art as a modality to help



artwork and learn, through story, how she discovered that was to use others.

BAND HPHS

♥ Congratulations to five HP band members who made TMEA 5A All-State Band: Top left: Maddox Linder (12) – percussion 2, Michelle Cheng (12) – flute; Bottom left: Tyler Sharpe (12) – percussion 1, Vincenzo Guandolo (10)– bassoon, and Saif Saleh (12) – French horn! This is Vincenzo and Saif’s 2nd year, both achieving All-State Band last year!

Over 50,000 Texas students entered the audition process in early fall with competitions at the district, region and area levels. All-State is the highest honor a Texas music student can receive.



BAND, continued
HPHS

- ♥ Highlander Band also had 65 students earning TMEA All-Region and 25 achieving TMEA Area. Congratulations to the 3 students who made 1st chair in the Region: Ava Mitchell (10) – piccolo, Michelle Cheng (12) – flute, and Vincenzo Guandolo (10) – bassoon! The following earned All-Region and * denotes those advancing to Area:

Piccolo- Bryn Hutton, *Ava Mitchell. **Flute**- *Michelle Cheng, Sally Dai, Denise Devkumar, *Emma Graham, Jackson Holmes, Brynn Hutton, *Olivia Kight, Ava Mitchell, Frederick Phillips, Maya Rosalez. **Clarinet**- *Michelle Bi, William Blankenship, Zach Bowers, Austin Chatterton, Erin Fleming, Mia Lee, Adam Leybovich-Glikin, *Luke Mattox, Amelia Wilson. **Bass Clarinet**- *Neal Pendleton, *Zoe Lloyd, Brian Rosen, Ellie Stobaugh. **Bassoon**- Carter Goetz, *Vincenzo Guandolo. **Alto Sax**- *Adrian Esteve-Vega, *Rachel Sobolevitch. **Tenor Sax**- Julius Lee. **Bari Sax**- *Henry Lyke. **Trumpet**- William Allen, *Merrick Ellison, Paige Hogan, *Luke Kerwin, *Brandon Luk, *Paris Rutherford, Artessa Swords, Ava White. **French horn**- *Spencer Dalton, *Saif Saleh. **Trombone**- Hank Bishop, *Bradley Harrod, Foster Hudson, *Henry Schieber, Andrew Wallace. **Bass Trombone**- *Zach Rhea. **Euphonium**- Jackson Dean, Jared Hart. **Tuba**- *Carter Barden, Truman Barden, David Pike, Gage Swords. **Percussion**- Logan Easterbrook, Andrew Liao, *Maddox Linder, Kate Mader, Ford Manley, Gavin Monk, Pauline Napier, Paige Pietruszewski, Ava Robertson, *Sophie Robertson, *Tyler Sharpe, and Avery White.

- ♥ Percussion Solo & Ensemble is February 20 at HPHS.
- ♥ HP Jazz Band concert is February 23 at 7:00 pm in HPHS Band Hall.
- ♥ An Ensemble Contest (woodwind and brass) for HP 7th-12th grade band students is February 27 at HPMS.
- ♥ Night of Percussion for HPHS/HPMS/MIS is March 1 at 7:00 pm in the HPHS Auditorium.

MIS/HPMS

- ♥ An Ensemble Contest (woodwind and brass) for HP 7th-12th grade band students is February 27 at HPMS.
- ♥ The Solo Contest (woodwind and brass) for HP 7th-12th grade band students is March 27 at HPMS.
- ♥ Night of Percussion for HPMS/MIS/HPHS is March 1 at 7:00 pm in the HPHS Auditorium.

CHOIR
HPHS



♥ Congratulations to Juliet Allan (11) for achieving 2nd chair, Alto 1 in the TMEA All-State Mixed Choir! Among the over 50,000 vying for a coveted chair in Texas All-State music, choir students also begin in early fall facing district, region, and area contests. This year, due to COVID-19 protocols, there will be no music performances for choirs or any instrumental organizations at the State level, so they will miss the opportunity to interact with students from throughout the state. “There is something really special about singing with a group of people who have a similar passion for music,” Juliet laments. “It’s so uplifting and is something that I don’t think I will ever tire of.” Congratulations to Juliet and the following HPHS choral students for their hard work and accomplishments! The 44 students listed on the next page were selected to District, Region, and/or advanced to Area....

Choir, continued
HPHS

30 Students Selected for the District Choir

Isabella Acosta	Alexandra Lahiri
Emma Becker	Riya Luthra
Isabel Cali	Adam Massman
Charlie Campbell	Megan McCutchan
Olivia Carroll	Lyla Meece
Jennifer Clementson	Abby O'Rourke
Ethan Corbitt	Zoryana Spitzer
Vincent Frizell	Tess Stanford
Sarah Rose Gambrell	Ella Steed
Jed Graham	Clay Van Eaton
Elie Harmon	Elise Waterston
Savannah Hembree	Matthew Winford
Mitchell Jackson	Meredith Winford
Audrey Kelley	Matthew Winters
Trent Kinder	Dylan Woodward

11 Students Selected for the Region Choir

Juliet Allan	Alexander Miller
Ireland Ashmore	Sydney Moore
J.P. Berry	August Ryan
Leila Gottlieb	Callie Seabolt
Cate Gould	Kennedy Westendorff
Emilie Hong	

3 Area Candidates, Advancing to State Finals

Juliet Allan	Alexander Miller
J.P. Berry	

Choir, continued

HPHS

- ♥ On January 28, the HPHS Choral Department virtually hosted Professor Hank Hammett, Director of Lyric Theatre at SMU. He worked with several students in a masterclass setting as students prep for UIL Solo & Ensemble competition on February 6. Choral students attended virtually or socially distanced in person in the choir room to observe. Best of luck at UIL Solo & Ensemble!
- ♥ HPHS choir students from three Voice Studios give a recital in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium. Tracey Deen's students perform at 6:00 pm on February 3; Farah Padamsee's students perform at 7:00 pm that same evening. On February 4, Amy Canchola's students perform at 7:00 pm.
- ♥ HPHS and HPMS Choirs have a combined Pre-UIL Choir concert on March 24 in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium, in preparation for UIL Choir Concert/Sightreading. HPMS 7/8 Boys Choir & 7/8 Girls Choirs perform first and HPHS will follow. Each choir will perform their repertoire with sightreading immediately following on the stage.

MIS/HPMS

- ♥ MIS/HPMS virtual All-Region Choir auditions for 6 - 8 grade choir students on February 27.
 - ♥ HPHS and HPMS Choirs have a combined Pre-UIL Choir concert on March 24 in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium, in preparation for UIL Choir Concert/Sightreading. 7/8 Boys Choir (Varsity Tenor/Bass) has their concert performance at 5:20 pm, immediately followed by sightreading on the stage; 7/8 Girls Choir (Varsity Treble) has their concert performance at 6:20 pm, immediately followed by sightreading on the stage. HPHS performances will follow.
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HPHS DEBATE

- ♥ On January 14, the debate team captured the top 2 places at the virtual UIL District 13-5A Cross-Examination Debate tournament! Congratulations to the team of Isabella Acosta (11) and Victoria Branch (9) for capturing 1st Place and to the team of Evan Wang (11) and Andrew Lind (11) for coming in a close 2nd. Evan was awarded top speaker of the tournament! Both teams went undefeated.
In the past the top two teams would advance to the UIL State CX tournament, but due to Covid, UIL is restricting state advancement to only one team per district. Congratulations to all and best of luck to Isabella and Victoria at the UIL State CX Debate Tournament on March 19-21!
 - ♥ Upcoming tournaments: Colleyville Heritage on Feb. 4-7; On Feb. 12-13, Irma Rangle - Dallas and Hallsville HS UIL; Rebel UIL on Feb. 26-27; St. Marks - Dallas on Feb. 27-March 1. Good luck!
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ORCHESTRA

HPHS and HPMS

- ♥ On March 9, HPHS and HPMS Orchestras share a "HP Orchestra Cluster UIL Recording Concert" beginning at 6:00 pm in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium. This year due to Covid, Region 20 Orchestra decided to go virtual with the UIL Concert/Sightreading contest. For this concert, the two HPMS Orchestras will perform on stage then move to the Orchestra Room or Band Hall for sightreading. HPHS Orchestras will then take the stage to perform their repertoire with sightreading to follow.
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THEATRE

HPHS

- ♥ HPHS travels to Rockwall-Heath on February 11 for a clinic in preparation for the upcoming UIL District 13-5A One-Act Play contest on March 9 at Poteet HS. The top three schools advance from District to UIL Bi-District One-Act Play on March 23, also held at Poteet HS. HP performs *These Shining Lives* by Melanie Marnich at 12:10 pm on March 9 at Poteet HS. Based on the true story of four women getting a chance at a well-paying job with the Radium Watch Factory in Illinois, the play dramatizes the danger women faced in this workplace and highlights the wider lack of concern companies had for protecting the health of their employees in the 1920's and early 1930's. Best of luck!

HPMS

- ♥ The Highland Park Middle School Musical Theater Department is excited to present its spring musical *High School Musical JR.*, with three streaming performances:

 **February 12 at 4:00 pm, Feb 13 at 7:00 pm, and Feb 14 at 2:00 pm.** 

Please join them as we “get our heads back in the game” to enjoy our middle schoolers perform Disney's High School Musical's catchy songs and exciting dance routines as the characters explore issues of friendship, first love, and acceptance. **Scan the QR code below to purchase tickets.**

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12 AT 4:00 PM
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13 AT 7:00 PM
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14 AT 2:00 PM
HIGHLAND PARK MIDDLE SCHOOL PRESENTS

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