

2016-09

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERTS FOR GRADES 4-7

Dear Parents:

For over 40 years Burnaby School District has sponsored a Young People's Concert Series to provide additional opportunity for the District's elementary school students to access a wide variety of performing arts presentations. In many cases, this program provides the only opportunity young people have to attend performances by outstanding nationally and internationally known artists at reasonable cost. One of the main objectives of the Series is to showcase cultural genre which span the range of performance arts.

CONCERT I: KUNDA African Culture & Dance

KUNDA, meaning "family", fronted by Kocassale Dioubate, a Mandingo-tribe griot (descendant of a long line of traditional singers, musicians and keepers of tribal history) from Guinea, West Africa, is a group of international artists, driven to share their vibrant heritage through music and dance, promoting respect and awareness of ethnic diversity, and encouraging people of all backgrounds to unify in peace and harmony, as one world, one love and one people... One family.

CONCERT II: Canadian Musical Theatre Company: The Birth of the CPR

Canada's greatest true adventures come to life as actor-musicians recreate pivotal events in hilarious, dramatic and magical musicals. Over a million students and teachers have enjoyed a treasure trove of thrilling Canadian stories written by three-time Jessie nominee and award-winning composer/playwright, Allen Desnoyers.

CONCERT III: Red Sky Performance: Mistatim

Red Sky is Canada's leading company of contemporary Indigenous (Aboriginal) performance in dance, theatre and music. This multi-award-winning company was founded by Artistic Director Sandra Laronde in 2000. Red Sky creates, innovates, produces, tours and makes lasting connections anchored here in Canada and around the world. It has ignited the imaginations of 675,000 people in nine countries on four continents.

The cost of the concerts is as follows: (fees cover artist and transportation costs)

\$20.00 - for one child \$30.00 - for two children in the family \$40.00 - for three or more children in the family
Performances will take place in the *Michael J. Fox Theatre* at Burnaby South Secondary School. Rates vary with the number of children attending from each family. Please complete the reply below and return it to the school along with payment.

PLEASE NOTE THESE IMPORTANT DETAILS:

1. Families with two or more children are asked to submit **ONE FORM ONLY WITH THE OLDEST CHILD.**
2. **We encourage all students at Montecito to attend these concerts. Last year all gr. 4 – 7 students attended.**
3. Our deadline is **Monday, September 19, 2016.** PLEASE PAY BY SCHOOLCASH ONLINE, CHEQUE (payable to Montecito School) or cash.
4. **DO NOT COMBINE CHEQUES/CASH WITH OTHER PAYMENTS (ie. Student Planners).**
5. **LATE ORDERS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED.**

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PLEASE RETURN TO MONTECITO SCHOOL BY Monday, September 19, 2016

I give permission for my child/children (**GRADES 4 TO 7 ONLY**) to attend the concerts, travelling to and from Michael J. Fox by chartered bus:

Child's Name _____ Gr. _____ Div. _____
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PAYMENT ENCLOSED (please appropriate boxes): \$20.00 or \$30.00 or \$40.00

School Cash Online Receipt # _____
 (information to register for this convenient option has been posted to the school website)

Cheque made payable to Montecito

(PLEASE DO NOT COMBINE CHEQUES/CASH WITH OTHER PAYMENTS).

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____