

IT'S A GRAND NIGHT FOR MUSIC!

“Where words fail, **music speaks.**”
~Hans Christian Andersen

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27TH, 2026

7PM

DIGNITY HEALTH CONVENTION CENTER

PRESENTED BY:

KERN COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS OFFICE
JOHN G. MENDIBURU, ED.D., SUPERINTENDENT

KERN HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
DR. MICHAEL ZULFA, SUPERINTENDENT

KERN COUNTY MUSIC EDUCATORS' ASSOCIATION
TERESA RIZO, PRESIDENT

AUDIENCE ETIQUETTE

A peaceful environment is necessary for the enjoyment of the sounds from our wonderful “Grand Night for Music”. Simple rules of courtesy using common sense will vastly improve the serenity and happiness of the entire audience. The following guidelines will make concert going more enjoyable for all.

- Arrive on time and stay until the concert is over.
- Avoid unnecessary noise during the concert such as talking, paper shuffling, unwrapping candy, toe-tapping, humming, purse snapping, jangling jewelry and loud coughing.
- Applaud only after the end of the piece, not between movements. If you are uncertain, be the second one to applaud.
- For the comfort of our patrons, food and beverages are allowed in the lobby only.
- The use of cameras, cellular phones and recording devices are discouraged inside the hall. Also make certain the electronic signal on your watch is turned off during performances.

(Audience etiquette adapted from The Bakersfield Symphony)



Note to Parents, Educators: The news media may elect to cover all or part of this event which can include photos, video or text which identifies and may quote the child/student. This news coverage may appear in newspapers, newsletters, on television, radio or other publicly-circulated communications. State law permits media access to student competitions and often helps highlight the many wonderful students we have in our county

“IT’S A GRAND NIGHT FOR MUSIC”

Kern County High Schools’ Choir, Band and Orchestra Concerts

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Kern High School District
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Kern County Music Educators’ Association
Teresa Rizo, President

Orchestra

SHARYN ABSHER, CHAIRPERSON
SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

ERIN LOPEZ WANDER, CO-CHAIRPERSON
WEST HIGH SCHOOL

Choir

REBECCA SPICKLER, CHAIRPERSON
STOCKDALE HIGH SCHOOL

NICOLO SALUM, CO-CHAIRPERSON
HIGHLAND HIGH SCHOOL

Band

KEVIN BRADY, CHAIRPERSON
NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

PHILLIP BUSTAMANTE, CO-CHAIRPERSON
SHAFTER HIGH SCHOOL

WELCOME TO THE GRAND NIGHT FOR MUSIC!

This evening we are carrying on a tradition of celebrating the arts. Each year, outstanding students in the performing arts have entertained this community. Their marvelous performances have always provided an evening of thrilling musicianship for their audiences.

We are proud of the students who are appearing in tonight's program. We appreciate the faculty members and parents who have played such an important role in the development of these fine young artists.

As Kern County Superintendent of Schools, I know you will have an enjoyable and rewarding experience.

John G. Mendiburu, Ed.D., Superintendent



Special Acknowledgements

East Bakersfield High School
Band & Orchestra Audition Site

Carla Stallworth, Principal
Regina Montano, Instrumental Director

Bakersfield High School
Choir, Band, and Orchestra Rehearsal Site

Ryan Geivet, Principal
Randy Bennett, Emmanuel Gonzalez, Amanda Isaac, Music Directors

GUEST CONDUCTORS



Orchestra – Albert Jeung

Albert Jeung is a high school administrator in the Capistrano Unified School District, where he previously served as Districtwide Visual and Performing Arts Coordinator. He spent many years teaching at Aliso Niguel High School, where he built the orchestra program into one of the largest and most comprehensive high school orchestra programs in California. Mr. Jeung has taught string methods at California State University, Long Beach, and is an active member and past President of the Southern California School Band and Orchestra Association. He holds Bachelor of Music and Master of Music degrees from California State University, Long Beach, with additional graduate study at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. A frequent guest clinician and conductor, he has led numerous honor orchestras, including the California All-State High School Honors String Orchestra and the All-Southern Middle School Full and String Orchestras, with engagements throughout California and in Colorado, Hawaii, Utah, and Nevada. His honors include Orange County Arts Educator of the Year, California Music Education Association Orchestra Educator of the Year, and the SCSBOA Honorary Life Member Award.

Choir – Dr. Lynn Gary Atkins Jr.

Lynn Gary Atkins, Jr. is an American tenor and conductor praised for his “rich vocal color and appealing quality.” A proud son of the Jersey Shore, he is recognized for his expressive range and clarity on the podium, as well as for his work as a soloist and ensemble singer. Dr. Atkins began his career in music education and sacred music, teaching choirs and courses in music theory, music history, and musical theatre in school districts in New Jersey and Virginia. He has directed a wide variety of vocal choirs and handbell ensembles in both educational and church settings. He holds a Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Choral Conducting from James Madison University, where he conducted the Treble Chamber Choir, taught conducting courses, and served as guest conductor for the JMU Chorale and The Madison Singers in performances on campus, at the Piccolo Spoleto Festival in Charleston, South Carolina, and on the ensembles’ United Kingdom tour of England and Wales. Dr. Atkins is currently Assistant Professor of Music at California State University, Dominguez Hills, where he serves as Director of Choral Activities and Voice Area Coordinator. He also serves as Artistic Director of the L.A. Bronze Handbell Ensemble and South Coast Chorale in Long Beach, California.

Band – Steve McKeithen

Steve McKeithen is Associate Professor of Music at California State University, Fresno, where he directs the Bulldog Marching Band and the Wind Orchestra, teaches music education courses, and leads the Graduate Conducting Program. Under his direction, the Bulldog Marching Band has been selected to perform in the Tournament of Roses Parade and the St. Patrick’s Day Parade in Dublin, Ireland, and has earned national recognition, including the College Band Directors National Association Top Collegiate Marching Bands Award. Mr. McKeithen’s scholarly and creative work appears in the Teaching Music Through Performance series as well as in CMEA and CBDA publications, and his compositions are published by GPG Music and J.W. Pepper. He completed doctoral coursework in conducting at Arizona State University (ABD), holds a Master of Music in Music Education and Conducting from the University of Illinois, and earned his Bachelor of Music in Music Education from the University of Florida. He is an active clinician, adjudicator, and program consultant and is a past president of the Central Section of the California Music Educators Association. He resides in Clovis, California, with his wife, Heather, who serves as the Visual and Performing Arts Coordinator for Fresno Unified School District.

PROGRAM

Welcome

Ed Hughes

Retired Kern Co. Superintendent of Schools VAPA Coordinator

MUSIC SELECTIONS

(SELECTIONS ORDER SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

ORCHESTRA

- Cavalerie Legere Franz von Suppe
- On a Hymnsong of Philip Bliss David Holsinger
- Symphony No.8 Op. 88 Movement IV. Allegro ma non troppo Antonin Dvorak

CHOIR

COLLABORATIVE PIANIST, JAMES O'HEARN
BASS GUITAR, PATRICK CHASE HERNANDEZ
DRUM SET, MATTHEW LAGUNDA

- How Can I Keep from Singing?..... Gwyneth Walker
- Al Shlosha D'varim Allan E. Naplan
- Whatever is True Michael John Trotta
- Mi Lugar Text by Jacob Garcia Music by Carlos Cordero
- I Sing Because I'm Happy Martin, Gabriel
Arr. Paden / Adapted Dilworth

BAND

- City Scapes..... Scott Boerma
- Gabriel's Oboe..... Ennio Marricone
Arr Robert. Longfield
- LOL (Laugh Out Loud) Robert Buckley
- Illumination David Maslanka

COMBINED HONOR ORCHESTRA, CHOIR AND BAND

- Battle Hymn William Steffe
Arr. Wilhousky

PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS AND DIRECTORS



ORCHESTRA

Bakersfield High	<i>Emmanuel Gonzalez</i>	Mira Monte High	<i>Raven Simon</i>
Bakersfield High	<i>Randy Bennett</i>	North High	<i>Kevin Brady</i>
Centennial High	<i>Dillon Braisher</i>	Ridgeview High	<i>Robert Martens</i>
East Bakersfield High	<i>Regina Montano</i>	Rosamond High	<i>Mark Clason</i>
Foothill High	<i>John Barker</i>	Shafter High	<i>Philip Bustamante</i>
Frontier High	<i>Douglas Kelley</i>	South High	<i>Sharyn Absher</i>
Highland High	<i>Jimmie Taliaferro</i>	Stockdale High	<i>Geoffery Ruud</i>
Independence High	<i>Trevor Myers</i>	Stockdale High	<i>Amanda Sproul</i>
Liberty High	<i>Jason Armistead</i>	Taft High	<i>Amanda Posey</i>
		West High	<i>Erin Lopez Wander</i>

CHOIR

Arvin High School	<i>Amy Anderson</i>	North High	<i>Fred Townsend</i>
Bakersfield High	<i>Amanda Isaac</i>	Ridgeview High	<i>Aaron Mosley</i>
Centennial High	<i>Patrick Burzlaf</i>	Shafter High	<i>Phillip Bustamante</i>
East Bakersfield High	<i>Neiman McDuff</i>	South High	<i>Sharyn Absher</i>
Foothill High	<i>David Ortiz</i>	Stockdale High	<i>Rebecca Spickler</i>
Frontier High	<i>Michael Ellsworth</i>	Taft High	<i>LeAnn Thomas</i>
Golden Valley High	<i>Giovanna Sarratt Calderon</i>	Tehachapi	<i>Molly Bolewski</i>
Highland High	<i>Nicolo Salum</i>	West High	<i>Ken Burdick</i>
Mira Monte High	<i>Amie Hiatt</i>	Wonderful CP	<i>Austin Gray</i>

BAND

Bakersfield Christian High	<i>Gemalene Acupan</i>	Independence High	<i>Trevor Myers</i>
Bakersfield High	<i>Emmanuel Gonzalez</i>	Liberty High	<i>Jason Armistead</i>
Bakersfield High	<i>Randy Bennett</i>	North High School	<i>Kevin Brady</i>
Centennial High	<i>Dillion Braisher</i>	Ridgeview High	<i>Robert Martens</i>
Del Oro High	<i>Daniel Musquezo</i>	Rosamond High	<i>Mark Clason</i>
Foothill High	<i>John Barker</i>	Stockdale High	<i>Geoffery Ruud</i>
Frontier High	<i>Douglas Kelley</i>	Stockdale High	<i>Amanda Sproul</i>
Golden Valley High	<i>Kristen Torres</i>	Taft High	<i>Amanda Posey</i>
Highland High	<i>Jimmie Taliaferro</i>	Tehachapi High	<i>Molly Bolewski</i>
Highland High	<i>Nicolo Salum</i>	West High	<i>Erin Lopez Wander</i>

ORCHESTRA STUDENTS

VIOLIN 1

Dokern An (Stockdale)
William Plank (Stockdale)
Rena Pyun (Stockdale)
Alyssa Nguyen (Stockdale)
Keaton Lee (Stockdale)
Elijah Almazan (Stockdale)
Tayden Ahan (Stockdale)
Amanda Yang-Hayes (Stockdale)
Perlla Ghumid (Stockdale)
Jathniel Galerio (Stockdale)
Anna Simone Resk (Stockdale)
Carl Canton (Stockdale)
Aaron Nguyen (Stockdale)
Gabriela Guerra Solis
(Stockdale)

VIOLIN 2

Nicolas Xin (Stockdale)
Bryan Moe (Stockdale)
Arianna Cunanan (Stockdale)
Aalia Riar (Stockdale)
Dave Lee (Stockdale)
Sergio Castillo Diaz (Stockdale)
Nicholas Djung (Stockdale)
Jason Mohanraj (Stockdale)
Brissia Pedro Esteban (Bakersfield)
Omary Meza (Highland)
Hersaint Singh (Stockdale)
Esther Ding (Stockdale)
Claire Lee (Stockdale)
Sophia Resk (Stockdale)
Bea Siobhan (Stockdale)
Sanjay Ravikumar (Stockdale)

VIOLA

Aubrey Bell (Bakersfield)
Kabir Uppal (Stockdale)
Arturo Ramirez (Ridgeview)
Joan Kwon (Stockdale)
Sarah Lopez-Mendez (South)
Cymone Canton (Stockdale)
Madelyn Evans (Ridgeview)
Starlet Poonyo (West)
Hailey Gonzalez (West)
Dalilah Ponce (Independence)

CELLO

Paul Okh (Stockdale)
Christina Roh (Stockdale)
Jenna George (Stockdale)
Brady Ross (North)
John Curtis (East)
Gracey Menendez (Stockdale)
Leah Zizo (Ridgeview)
Joyce Filimon (Independence)
Sophia Mata (Bakersfield)
Tanya Pureco (Foothill)

BASS

Kate Lin (Stockdale)
Fabian Blancarte (East)
Drakar Gooden (Stockdale)
Chasity Mitchell (South)
Jocelyn Carrillo Torres (Foothill)
Abimael Cuyuch (West)

FLUTE

Enzo Paylaga (Frontier)
Jacqualin Hays (Bakersfield)
Rachel Mateo (Ridgeview)

CLARINET

IKylie Hennagan (Frontier)
Matthew Porta (Ridgeview)

OBOE

Benjamin Lehndorfer (Stockdale)
Andrew Marshall (Ridgeview)

BASSOON

Hannah Morris (Taft)

TRUMPET

Jack Coyle (Independence)
Braxton Silvas (Stockdale)
Connor Patterson (Taft)

FRENCH HORN

Ariana Medina (Independence)
Joseph Jephson (Liberty)
Anthony Rodriguez (Independence)
Francisco Arredondo (Rosamond)

TROMBONE

Marcus Jephson (Liberty)
Brayden Dobbs (Frontier)
Kate Saiki (Centennial)

TUBA

Rodrigo Mondragon (Shafter)

PERCUSSION

Wyatt Flores (East)
Andrew Orozco (Independence)
Kassandra Nieto Martinez (Mira Monte)
John Sandoval (Highland)
Grady Sheehan (Centennial)

CHOIR STUDENTS

ARVIN HS

Andrea Chavez
Dayra Del Real
Luis Perez
Natalee Tolentino

BAKERSFIELD HS

AJ Fulmer
Alex Garcia
America Garcia Damian
Anabela Medina
Brooklyn Fisher
Cara McRae
Christopher Gurule
Clarissa Cape
Clarissa Marin
Damian Angel
Edgar Aragon Felix
Genesis Rojas
Gisselle Rosales
Isabel Mercier
Isabella Pauley-Flores
Jaiden Butler
James Isaac
Jelena Marrufo
Jocelyn Perez
Julien Mackey
Kaitlyn Burns
Katelynn Europa
Kennedee McDaniel
Madison Ordonez
Marceline Sanchez
Molly Cowan
Natalie Sanchez
Nevaeh Lopez
Nissi Leon
Noah Reyes
Rebekah Munoz
Ronnie Gardner
Ryan Higginbottom
Ryze Niles
Sasha Ingram
Serenity Lopez
Soleda Rivera
Sophia Rodarte
Zeynai Corona Vargas

CENTENNIAL HS

Alisa Dupont
Anathalia Nicolas
Audrey Navine Villenas
Carson Shepard
Dawson Llarenas
Emma Vega
Evan Clason
Iceis Roeder
Isla Carlton
Jesus Zenteno
Kaylene Kendig
Kylie Osborne
Lea Gonzaga
Lily Bazzle
Riley Clemens
Rudi Gutierrez
Sarina Lantay
Sophia Coons
Zayleh Monsibais
Zerek Hogue
Zoe Alaniz Molina
Zoriah Rollans

EAST HS

Adam Arenas
Asher Maldonado
Briana Arias
Emily Reyes
Emma Gonzalez
Erin O'Toole
Fernando Galvan
Jordan Garcia
Lucas Torres
Omar Rodriguez
Persephone Garibay
Viviana Arenas
Zailah Ayala

FOOTHILL HS

Alejandra Covarrubias
Alexa Barajas
Alexa Madrigal
Amaya Silva
Annabelle Morris
Annmarie Martin
Aubrey Macumba
Audrey Bier
Brandon Manning
Chris Guerrero
Clifford Jackson IV
Daniel Ramirez
Dannielle Gonzalez
Eddie Gonzalez
Elly Nickell
Emma Ivy
Ethan Garcia
Evelyn Hernandez
Francisco Zavaleta
Giovanni Palomino
Hilary Chacon
Jess Salazar
Jett Seamster
Justine Banda
Lazaro Ponce
Linette Cervantes
Linette Deluna
Madalynn Ocampo
Maria Fombona
Michelle Martinez
Naveyah Perez
Pedro Machuca
Peyton Tennin
Ronnie Oglesby
Sarah Granados
Silver Alslot
Sindi Ornelas
Yahaira Ramos
Yami Ramirez
Zayini Brown
Zion Hollingsworth

FRONTIER HS

Jeremy Ouska
Jolee Billington
Jonathon Carpenter
Kaitlin Eaton
Kinslee Neighbors
Laina Dan
Luke Hansen
Mason Steele
Noel Ronk
Paislee Jones

GOLDEN

VALLEY HS

Alexandra Jimenez
Cassandra Ceja Reyes
Ellie Gomez
Gabriel Apodaca Duran
Jocelyn Benitez
Jovany Benavides
Juan Ordaz
Maria Orozco
Melanie Campillo
Natalie Adame
Vanessa Garcia

HIGHLAND HS

Anabelle Clagg
Belinda Ramirez
Ezri Thompson-Jaime
Jacqueline Castaneda
Jazlyn Padilla
Jessica Martinez-Mireles
Julie Su
Karah Stokes
Lestat Wade
Londyn Daniel
Lydia Quiroz
Miranda Aramburo
Vazquez
Paityn Dixon
Riley Gonzales
Ryan Tyler
Sofia Gandarilla
Somally Sin
Veya Santoyo

CHOIR STUDENTS

MIRA MONTE HS

Alani Perez
Amara Salazar
Andrew Pimentel-Cuadro
Emily Tzul
Ezekiel Herrera
Jacquelyn Romero Ayala
Jayrie Ocampo
Jeyse Martinez
Juliana Alva Leyva
Karla Robles
Kassandra Acuna
Lesly Gomez
Maylani Saldana
Mia Ortega
Priscilla Benitez Falcon
Rogelio Soria Alvarado
Samuel Nevarez
Scarlett Lopez
Sophia Cordeo Hernandez

RIDGEVIEW HS

Carly Sandoval
Charlie Dao
Elisa Estrada
Fernando Garcia
Garrett Keith
Jade Brown
Jenaya Foots
Juan Blanco
Landen Rivera
Larissa Akroush
Maria Al-Rihani
Ramses Rogel
Rebecca Trujillo
Sophia "Mina" Gonzalez
Vanessa Segura
Xavier Valencia
Zayne Lyons

SHAFTER HS

Kathy Montoya
Yvette Perez

SOUTH HS

Abril Gomez
Aleeah Williams
April Nogueron
Ashley Sanabria
Daniela Avila
Genesys Grande
Johanna Guzman
Marylin Diaz

STOCKDALE HS

Alexis Allen
Amelia Eao
Angela Sarkis
Anthoney Gonzales
Cianna Stillwell
Elise Pham
Emma Garrett
Genesis Lozano
Hailee Salyards
Isabel Gomez
Isabella Perezchica
Ivan Pham
Kaleah Viduya
Karen Martinez
Leopoldo Puga
Sabrina Guardado
Spencer Smith-Rocha
Violette Garcia

TAFT HS

Anthony Garcia-Ramirez
Aryannah Angeles
Chloie Griffee
Chris Tavares
Edgar Tavares
Jacob Gerace
Kelly Noriega-Almaraz
Mia Morales
Patrick Lowe
Reagan Finn
Saleen Swatzell

TEHACHAPI HS

Danielle Trevillyan
Emilee Agliano
Sophia Colindre

WEST HIGH

Aubrey Saldivar
Briana Vasquez
Jayleen Peraza
Kimberleigh Payne
Mia Galvan
Rodolfo Armendariz
Vincent Ramirez
ZyHeim Martin

WONDERFUL CP

Cassandra Leon Saavedra
Jazleen Garibay Urias
Jeniah Barreto
Julianne Arellano
Kristen Madison Morillo
Marjorie Joyce Guevara
Monick Guzman
Weslee Albarillo

NORTH HS

Anthony J. Serna Catalan
Bailey G. Palmbach
Brisa A. Sanchez Munoz
Carlos E. Herrera Martinez
Christopher Ambriz Medina
Derrick J. Chaves
Fatima Rodriguez
Frederica Allen
Gabriel R. Fuentes
Gwendolyn L. Williams
Jesus A. Rosas Huitron
Jonas B. Willhite
Juleene Ochoa
Madison L. Herrin
Marley R. Pittman
Nick Zaragoza
Victor M. Jr Dominguez
Yaretzi X. Avalos Gomez

BAND STUDENTS

FLUTE

Eloise Cao ** (Bakersfield Christian)
Jayden Yuan (Stockdale)
Jack Pham (Frontier)
Abigail Christian (Bakersfield Christian)
Justina Shehata (Stockdale)
Jonathan Cordova (West)
Isabella Bravo (Bakersfield)
Vanessa Aboud (Independence)
Star/Estrella Zarate (Stockdale)
Sofia Alvarez (Ridgeview)
Sophia Kaufman (Stockdale)
Heidi Ayala (Ridgeview)
Jasmine Martinez (Foothill)
Jacklyn Tamayo (Centennial)
Rebeca Pleitez (Independence)

CLARINET

Lilyann Adams ** (North)
Hunter Olsen (Highland)
Stephanie Garcia (Golden Valley)
Gianna Vazquez (Centennial)
jacob shugart (Tehachapi High)
William Tran (Stockdale)
Harsharan Singh (Ridgeview)
Adam Reynolds (West)
Alejandro Lopez (West)
Madelyn Coyle (Highland)
Jaymie Godoy (Golden Valley)
Benjamin Pursel (Bakersfield Christian)
Veronica Reyes Hernandez (Taft)
Aubrey Webb (Rosamond)

BASS CLARINET

Gavin Horton (Liberty)
Joseph Hanna (Stockdale)
Grace Cowan (Taft)
Nihar Gaikwad (Centennial)
Ivy Tabbytosavit (Ridgeview)

OBOE

Jeremiah Monge (Rosamond)
Adrian Cortez (Golden Valley)

ALTO SAXOPHONE

Brandon Oscanoa ** (Centennial)
Liam Clark (Liberty)
Sophia Martin (Stockdale)
noah gonzalez (Independence)
Aiden Bonilla (Golden Valley)
Elise Tiner (Stockdale)
Samuel Ding (Stockdale)
Allison Villa (Centennial)
Jaxton Jewett (Taft)
Alexander Bautista (Taft)

TENOR SAXOPHONE

Jimmy Dao (Ridgeview)
Ivan Venegas (Stockdale)
Brandon Nguyen (Stockdale)

BARITONE SAXOPHONE

Marcus Danley (Centennial)
Ignacio Delgado (Stockdale)
Roman Isaac Cruz (Frontier)

TRUMPET

Jeff Mansfield (Bakersfield)
Ezekiel Laureano (Bakersfield)
Addison Armistead (Frontier)
German Espinoza (Taft)
Penny Shockley (Ridgeview)
Arnulfo Covarrubias (Stockdale)
Penelope Smith (Highland)
Marcus Parada (Stockdale)
Jorge Martin Del Campo (West)
Lillian Swanson (Valley Oaks)
Isaac Rogge (Centennial)
Jarrar Rizvi (Stockdale)
Bethany Waymire (Centennial)
Xavier Krier *** (Taft)

FRENCH HORN

Elia Martin (Stockdale)
Emily Dodd (Bakersfield)
Landon Lemison (Ridgeview)
Bryan Ramirez (Mira Monte)

TROMBONE

Miles Murillo (Frontier)
Alexander Gormley (Centennial)
Owen Sproul (Stockdale)
Bryson Oviedo (Bakersfield)
Lupwaydoh Windsor (Independence)
Wyatt McCauley (Independence)
Devyn Ross (West)
Jayleen Valenzuela (Taft)
Juan Ramirez (Highland)
Yuvraj Johal (Ridgeview)
Gabriel Turner (West)

EUPHONIUM

Jonathan Galindo (Independence)
Emanuel Laureano (Bakersfield)
Liliana Lovato (Ridgeview)
Sergio Fregoso (Ridgeview)
Brian Vidal (Taft)
Vincent Dedmon (Centennial)
Orion Dhaliwal (Centennial)

TUBA

Marley Dickey (Bakersfield Christian)
Sam Wisman (Liberty)
Ciaran Lollar (Liberty)
Christopher Corral (Ridgeview)
Zachary Ross (West)
Jance Billington (Frontier)
George Cobbs (Frontier)

PERCUSSION

Nathan Gutierrez (Independence)
Daniel Juarez (Del Oro)
Ayden Thant (Independence)
Joshua Slikker (Foothill)
Katheryn Cadiz (Independence)

MALLETS

Lilly Nolan (Bakersfield)
Emilio Leynes (Stockdale)

** Soloist- Gabriel's Oboe

*** Piano - Illumination

**KERN COUNTY MUSIC
EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION
2025-2026 AWARD RECIPIENTS**

Band Educator

Amanda Posey

Choral Educator

Nichole Heasley

College Music Educator

Matt Hanne

Elementary Music Specialist

Sal Rios

Emerging Music Educator

Natalie Hensley

General Music Educator

Nancy Posada

Hall Of Fame

Grady Walls

Jazz Educator

Ben Horton

Orchestra Educator

Amanda Sproul

Multicultural Educator

Matt Ouska

School Administrator

Patrick Spears

Retiree

Teresa Rizo

Music Educator of the Year

Becky Baker