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Grade Level Arts Education (GLAE) Project Participation Form *San Diego Symphony 2008-2009*

Grade 4

San Diego Symphony in partnership with SDUSD VAPA Department is presenting a 4th grade symphony experience available to all district 4th grade students and teachers. Concerts are underwritten by generous symphony donors. The VAPA Grade Level Arts Education (GLAE) Project, mission is to provide every SDUSD student K-8 with a variety of standards-based, age-appropriate, professional arts experiences. Programs vary from grade level to grade level and are available according to the individual arts organization's funding. In addition to this 4th grade project, symphony concerts are available for all young people. Please go to www.sandiegosymphony.com for more information.

Schools interested in taking advantage of the 4th grade GLEA Project agree to participate in a Four-Prong Instructional Plan as follows:

- **Teacher Training:** consists of a 2-hour required teacher workshop where teachers are introduced to the symphonic experience, introduced to the elements of music and given lessons covering Artistic Perception, Creative Expression and Historical and Cultural Context.
- **Student Preparation:** consists of teaching students the lessons about the symphonic performance and explaining the expectations and concert etiquette when attending Copley Symphony Hall.
- **Presentation:** Students prepared by their teachers will then visit Copley Symphony Hall to enjoy the San Diego Symphony as they present a one-hour performance entitled *Supersonic*.
- **Follow-up:** After the performance, students return to their classroom where their teachers will engage them in reflections, Connections, Relationships and Applications, and Aesthetic Valuing, helping to respond to and derive meaning from the symphony experience. Materials and instructional strategies will be provided at the teacher workshop.

What: Required Teacher Workshop (2-hours)
Where: Crown Point Elementary
When: January 15 or 22, 2009
Times: 4:00-6:00 p.m.

What: *Supersonic*
Where: Copley Symphony Hall
When: February 18 or 19, 2009
Times: 9:45 a.m. or 11:15 a.m.

***Due to budget cuts transportation is limited and available on a first come first served basis.
Sign-up Today***

**San Diego Symphony Program 2008-2009
Teacher Checklist**

- Reserve a seat for one of the teacher workshops and schedule your performance date** (see above dates): go to professional development web site at <http://registration.sandi.net> to register for the training. Teacher training and student preparation are prerequisites to attending the symphony concert. Before your training is confirmed you must schedule your concert date by contacting Margaret Lathan @ mlathan@sandi.net or 858/539-5349.
- Reserve Buses:** go to fieldtrip@sandi.net. Funding for transportation is limited due to budget cuts. If your school is able, we ask that you use site money, California State Arts Block Grant funding up to \$165 per bus or contact **ArtsBusXpress** at www.artsbusxpress.org for bus grants.
- If you need VAPA to provide the transportation:** contact Margaret Lathan @ mlathan@sandi.net or 858/539-5349 to receive a budget number. You **must** forward your E-mail confirmation from Transportation to mlathan@sandi.net as soon as you receive it, but **no later than 3 weeks prior to your concert**. Your school site will be charged for the cost of transportation if this confirmation is not received by VAPA **prior** to your arts experience.
- Student preparation:** teachers prepare their students for the event by following the project guidelines as presented at the teacher workshop.
- Arts Experience:** attend the arts venue according to **San Diego Symphony** guidelines following appropriate concert etiquette.
- For accountability purposes please submit the following **to VAPA within a week following your symphony visit:**
 - **VAPA Evaluation Form (distributed at the workshop)**
 - **Letters, poems, drawings and responses from students**

