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Wide Range of Music Featured at Cal Poly Pomona Fall Music Events

POMONA, Calif. — October 27, 2008 — The Cal Poly Pomona Music Department presents an exciting line up of concerts this fall with performances by guest artists, faculty and students.

Of note, the Biava Quartet, winner of the Naumburg Chamber Music Award, will host a free master class on Nov. 13 and give a performance with Cal Poly Pomona Assistant Professor Dr. Nadia Shpachenko-Werger on Nov. 14.

Also in November, performer, songwriter and activist Nellie McKay presents a benefit concert for the Music Industry Studies Program. Noted for her critically acclaimed debut album *Get Away from Me* and for her Broadway debut in *The Threepenny Opera* in 2006, for which she won a Theatre World Award, McKay describes her music as "schizophrenic voodoo."

Tickets can be purchased at www.zaptix.com or at the Music Publicity Office in Building 24, Room 142. For more information, visit www.class.csupomona.edu/mu or call (909) 869-3554.

SPECIAL EVENTS

(Performances are held at 8 p.m. in the Music Recital Hall unless otherwise noted. Tickets are \$7.)

- **Wednesday, Oct. 29** -- Faculty Chamber Recital includes performances by Nadia Shpachenko-Werger, Janet Noll, Karen Togashi, Linda Silva, Audrey Lamprey, Peter Yates, Joel Pargman, Ana Maria Maldonado and Janine Riveire. The concert starts at 7 p.m.
- **Thursday, Nov. 6** -- The Music Industry Studies Benefit will show an advance screening of the underground comedy/musical *Altamont Now*, a story of the apocalypse of irony in rock and roll. A Q&A with actors and director Joshua Brown will follow. Tickets are \$5.

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- **Thursday, Nov. 13** -- The internationally-recognized Biava String Quartet will hold a free master class at noon.
- **Friday, Nov. 14** -- Assistant Professor Nadia Shpachenko-Werger and the Biava String Quartet Concert will perform works by Mozart and Dvok, as well as Piano Quintet "Epilogue" by A. Shchetynsky, which was commissioned by Shpachenko-Werger and the Biava String Quartet. Tickets are \$15 for general admission and \$10 for students.
- **Thursday, Nov. 20** -- Performer, songwriter and activist Nellie McKay will hold a songwriting master class at 3 p.m. Admission is free.
- **Thursday, Nov. 20** -- The Music Industry Studies Benefit features an evening with Nellie McKay, whose eclectic style and sharp lyrics distinguish her as an original voice. Her performance includes works from her new album *Obligatory Villagers*. Tickets are \$20 for general admission and \$10 for students.
- **Friday, Nov. 21** -- The Charles Lindsley Memorial Vocal Scholarship Fundraiser, themed "Feminine Voice," will feature faculty, alumni and students performing works by women composers, poets, and lyricists. The show is directed by Susan Burns with Janet Noll on the piano.
- **Saturday, Dec. 6** --The Elgart/Yates Guitar Duo will perform compositions by Joe Klein, including one piece written for the duo. The performances and Klein will also lead a discussion.
- **STUDENT PERFORMANCES**
- *(Performances are held at 8 p.m. in the Music Recital Hall unless otherwise noted. Tickets are \$7.)*
- **Monday, Nov. 24** -- Cal Poly Pomona MIDI Band performs. Lori Huff directs.
- **Monday, Dec. 1** - Cal Poly Pomona String Ensemble performs. Alan Mautner directs.
- **Tuesday, Dec. 2** - Cal Poly Pomona Jazz Band performs. David Kopplin directs.
- **Wednesday, Dec. 3** - Cal Poly Pomona Concert Band performs. Tony Mazzaferro directs.

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- **Thursday, Dec. 4** -- Kellogg Chamber Singers, directed by Iris Levine, and the University Concert Choir, directed by Nik St. Clair, perform.
- **Friday, Dec. 5** - Cal Poly Pomona Guitar Ensemble performs. David Cahueque directs.

FREE NOON HOUR STUDENT PERFORMANCES

(All performances are at noon unless otherwise noted.)

- **Thursday, Nov. 6** - Fall Showcase Music Hour, directed by Susan Burns, at the Music Recital Hall.
- **Thursday, Nov. 20** -- Cal Poly Pomona MIDI Band, directed by Lori Huff, performs at the University Theatre Breezeway. The show begins at 12:15 p.m.
- **Tuesday, Nov. 25** -- Kellogg Soul Ensemble, directed by Mark Chubb, will perform at the Music Recital Hall Landing.
- **Tuesday, Dec. 2** - Cal Poly Pomona Salsa Ensemble, directed by Gustavo Gil, performs at the Music Recital Hall Landing.
- **Thursday, Dec. 4** -- Kellogg Percussion Ensemble, directed by Bill Schlitt, performs at the Music Recital Hall.

Cal Poly Pomona is located at 3801 W. Temple Ave. in Pomona. Parking permits can be obtained for \$5 at the Visitor Information Booth along Kellogg Drive.

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ABOUT CAL POLY POMONA — Striking a balance between urban excitement and rural charm, Cal Poly Pomona is nestled in 1,438 rolling acres in the heart of sunny Southern California. With 3,000 faculty and staff to serve 21,500 students, Cal Poly Pomona's mission is to advance knowledge by linking theory and practice while preparing students for leadership and careers in a multicultural world. The university seeks to place learning at the center of every program, course, and activity on campus. Students can apply their knowledge through hands-on projects, collaborate with faculty members on research, and participate in valuable internships and service learning programs. Eight colleges (agriculture; business administration; education; engineering; environmental design; hospitality management; letters, arts and social sciences; and science) offer 56 undergraduate and 23 graduate degrees, as well as 8 credential programs.