



# VAPA News

Visual & Performing Arts News of Madera Unified School District

## Madera South High School Winter Guard and Percussion Off to a Win, Win!



**Competition held at Clovis East Saturday, January 24, 2015**

Both groups did very well in their respective class.

**Winter Guard** competed in Scholastic A "Silver," and had a great first performance. They will easily have a strong chance at finishing amongst the top 3 by the time finals rolls around in March.

**Winter Percussion** competed in Scholastic A. Our percussionists also had a great first performance, and even brought home some hardware, earning *1st place* in their class. They had a phenomenal first run, and outperformed a very competitive class of 10 schools, including Clovis High "A," Bullard, Merced, Edison and Washington Union just to name a few. When you have some spare time, you can view their performance by clicking on the following [YouTube link](#).



### Sheldon Horn

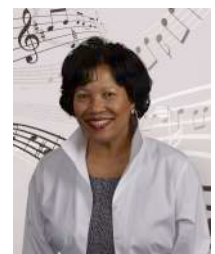
Itinerant Music Teacher  
Recorder class at Adams School

### Dr. Williams, VAPA Director

Feel free to invite me out anytime to visit your classroom, or school events. I am here to help and support you. If you need additional support, feel free to contact me.

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**Marcheta Williams**  
**attended**  
**NAMM Conference**  
**National Association of Music Merchants**  
**January 24, 2015**  
 with Khristian Dentley, baritone for  
 “Take 6” and Michael Butera, Executive  
 Director, National Association for Music

***Suggestions From Director Butera,***

- In the arts, we need to always speak in the language of the General Public
- List stories about the music, the play, the art form on the back of the program
- List the standards how the work will help students in their life
- Get politically involved, active in the legislation
- Joint Concerts with neighboring schools & school district programs
- Check out the teachers on campus that once played in the band or sang in the choir. Invite them to participate in the concert

**CLASSROOM VISITS/OBSERVATIONS**

The Week of Jan. 26, 2015

- W. Brough-Stevenson- DigImag
- J. Gunn- Drama, MHS
- S. Horn - Itinerant Music
- C. Petrucci-Itinerant Music
- A. Revilla-Intro Eng. Des
- S. Rodowick- Itinerant Music

**Upcoming Events**

- 1/31 & 2/6, 2/7 FMCMEA Honor Choir Rehearsal
- 2/7 FMCMEA Honor Choir 7PM
- 2/19-2/22 CASMEC, Fresno
- 3/3 TJ @ CCMEA Festival Shaghoian Concert Hall
- 3/11 TJ @ CCMEA Festival Selma @ Selma First Baptist
- 3/12 Purple Pyramid Concert, Choir
- 3/18 Purple Pyramid Concert, Band
- 2/19 -20 Art Submission to Circle Gallery
- 2/25 -28 Gallery Display
- 3/3 Youth Art Month Exhibit Opens
- 3/14 Reception1- 3pm Gallery
- 4/1 Youth Art Month Exhibit Closes
- 4/11 Artwork due for pick up by all schools.

**“Williams”Off The Radar**

*The Week of Nov. 26, 2015*

- 1/27/15 Madera Rotary
- 1/28/15 Madera Arts Partnership Lunch

**Competitions/Scholarships**

1. **Juan Garcia Farmworker Scholarship**

www.JuanGarciaFarmworkerScholarship.com

2. **Congressional Art Competition**

**Deadline:** Friday, March 27, 2015

[www.house.gov/content/educate/art\\_competition/](http://www.house.gov/content/educate/art_competition/)