

Summer Edition

VAPA News

Visual and Performing Arts News of Madera Unified

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NEW INSTRUMENTS AND PUTTING SAFETY FIRST

The Visual & Performing Arts Department is Making Plans for Mariachi Instruction at Alpha, Madison and Washington Elementary *Draft Plan*

The Madera Unified Mariachi Program began in Madera Unified School District in 2018 as a lunch program at Martin Luther King Middle School. This past school year the program expanded to Madera South High School, with Madera's first-ever Mariachi Conference held in January of 2020. Also this past school year, third-grade students at Alpha, Madison, and Washington Elementary Schools began learning the music of the Marachi Curriculum.

This coming school year, plans are in place for the instruction to continue with fourth-grade elementary students learning to play the guitar and the music of the Mariachi. Each school will have a set of guitars to be used by fourth-grade students, and instruments will be sterilized for each fourth-grade class in the following manner:

- Clorox/Lysol disinfecting wipes
- To disinfect the strings, rubbing alcohol and cotton balls will be used
- A thin protective layer of paper will be placed between the strings and the fretboard to protect the fretboard from the rubbing alcohol

We are not sure, at this point, how schools will reopen for music but in case we reopen with face to face music instruction, VAPA has a plan for Elementary Mariachi Instruction.



COMMUNITY EVENTS JULY AND AUGUST 2020

(Contact information is listed on the flyers below)

 <p>SUMMER ART ADVENTURE WITH CAPTAIN KIRK CRUZ</p> <p>EMBARK ON AN EXPLORATION OF THE ARTS WITH PROJECTS FROM ACROSS THE GLOBE!</p> <p>MONDAY - FRIDAY JULY 13 - JULY 17, 2020 9AM - 12:30 2ND GRADE - 8TH GRADE</p> <p>\$120 PER STUDENT - \$110 SIBLINGS SNACKS PROVIDED - STUDENTS SHOULD BRING A BACK LUNCH</p> <p><small>FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO SIGN UP, PLEASE CONTACT DOPPEN@MADERACOUNTYARTS.ORG</small></p>	 <p>Clay Dates with Larry Latimer</p> <p>Learn the art of clay sculpture with local expert larry latimer</p> <p>Tuesdays and Thursdays August 4th & 6th, 11th & 13th 5:45pm - 5:00pm Ages 8 to 16</p>
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Madera County Arts Council Activities and Classes

Clay Dates with Larry Latimer

Tuesdays and Thursdays
August 4th & 6th, 11th & 13th
5:15pm - 6:30pm

**A clay sculpture
class for adults!**

