

Tis the Season to...



Give

Believe

Sparkle

Be Joyful

Sing Carols

Deck the Halls

Be Merry & Bright

Be With Our Loved Ones

Dream of a White Christmas

Miss Friends who are Far, Far Away

Create Memories for the Years to Come

Enjoy Holiday Treats and Good Food Together

REFLECT ON THE YEAR THAT IS NOW BEHIND US

HUG YOUR LOVED ONES A LITTLE BIT TIGHTER



FILEMON B. VELA MIDDLE
SCHOOL CHOIRS PRESENT

Merry Christmas to Me!

Wednesday, December 1, 2021
In the VMS Gymnasium

Under the direction of Mrs. Graves, Mr. Sanchez, and Mrs. Saxon

Welcome

and thank you for attending tonight's concert!

* Choir Merch *

2021-2022 Choir T-shirts: \$11.30/at cost.

Choir Tumblers: \$7.00/at cost.

Choir friends and family are welcome to purchase a shirt and/or tumbler to show your Vela Choir pride!

*Sales will be available before and after the concert only.
Availability is limited.*

We accept cash or check: "Vela MS Choir"

* Upcoming Dates *

"Santa and Friends" Caroling Trip, December 2, 2021
Men's Choir Only, 9AM - 2PM. Travel Consent Forms should
be turned in before getting on the bus.

Winter Break: December 20, 2021 - January 5, 2022

Pre-UIL Evaluations: February 22, 2022

UIL Concert & SR Contest: March 7, 8, and 9, 2022
3 Chaperones Needed!

Region Choir Auditions: April 23, 2022
3 Chaperones Needed!

Special Thanks

Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Rene Gutierrez
Asst. Area Superintendent, Rose Longoria
Fine Arts Director, Michael Garcia
BISD Choral Lead Teacher, Melody Eriksen
BISD Accompanist, Kimbra Saxon
Hanna ECHS Head Choir Director, Ignacio Cruz
Hanna ECHS Asst. Choir Director, Karen Atkinson
Sound Technician, Rivera ECHS Choir, Patrick Graves
Oliveira MS, Head Choir Director, Leo Zamora
Oliveira MS, Asst. Choir Director, Israel Hinojosa

Vela MS Principal, Mandy Delgado
Vela MS Dean of Instruction, Crystal Chio
Vela MS Asst. Principal, Ricardo Rodriguez
Vela MS Asst. Principal, Ana Rubalcaba
Vela Middle School Security
Vela Middle School Custodians
Vela Middle School Athletics
Vela Middle School Band Department

**Our AWESOME Vela Choir
Parents and Families!**

Choir Members

A Cappella

Treble Women's Choir

Roberta Chavez Borrego *
 Karla De la Cruz
 Abigail De Leon
 Camila Del Fierro
 Maite Estrada
 Ardiana Flores
 Valeria Garcia
 Victoria Gonzalez
 Leslie Ledezma
 Audrey Lopez
 Khianna Lopez *
 Lyneth Luna
 Leesa Martinez *
 Susan Mendoza *
 Julianna Montes *
 Maritza Najera
 Jaqueline Ovilla
 Karla Perez-Morales *
 Elizabeth Reyna
 Shawn Santiago
 Brittany Serrata
 Dennise Silva-Pesina
 Arianna Soto †
 Samantha Vasquez

Bel Canto

Tenor-Bass Men's Choir

Christopher Bueno
 Pablo De Leon Saucedo
 Adrian Estrada
 Sebastian Farias
 Jose Figueroa
 Osiel Gomez *
 Fered Gonzalez
 Ivel Luna *
 Tristan Maldonado
 Christian Martinez
 Logan Martinez *
 Manuel Martinez
 Seifer Mata
 Jathan Perez *
 Hector Rodriguez

Da Capo

Beginner's Choir

Carly Amaro
 Alleyna Borboa
 Daisy Cantu
 Armando Castillo
 Khloe Cobarrubias
 Mikayla Danugrao *
 Kayla Dao Vo
 Santiago De la Garza
 Leon Delgado
 Alexa Espinoza
 Cristina Esteban Garcia
 Gerardo Flores
 Kaisy Galvan
 Leonardo Garcia *
 Nelly Gomez
 Vallery Gonzalez
 Lyla Gregg *
 Destiny Guerrero
 Helen Gutierrez
 Kendra Lerma
 Alexander Lizcano *
 Ivan Lopez
 Mauricio Mares *
 Leila Martinez *
 Saul Martinez
 Isabella Mejia *
 Lizbeth Navarro *
 Ariel Olvera *
 Briseidy Osowski
 Andres Puga
 Reyna Quebrado
 Sydney Reser *
 Monserratt Rodriguez *
 Analia Sanchez
 Priscilla Sandoval
 Manuel Serrata
 Samuel Stucki *
 Damaris Ulloa
 Roel Valero

Encore

Varsity Mixed Choir

Isaiah Alvarez
 Sara Camacho † * †
 Yaretzi Capetillo
 Mario Garcia
 Carlos Garza † * * †
 Roberto Garza †
 Diego Giron Tolentino *
 Elizabeth Mireles
 Lyla Palmenez †
 Wilfredo Quinones † * †
 Kassandra Rangel
 Brianna Rivera † *
 Evelyn Rodriguez Sanchez
 Josue Rodriguez †
 Yadira Sanchez
 Damian Vallade
 Mia Vidal † *
 Carolyn Villarreal †
 Areanna Zapata † * †

Symbols

- † Superior Ratings at Solo Contest
- ‡ Excellent Ratings at Solo Contest
- * Section Leaders, MP1-MP2
- * Section leaders, MP3-MP4
- ‡ Choir Council Officers

Concert Etiquette

Etiqueta de concierto

We are teaching proper concert etiquette to our students, as outlined in the TEKS, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills. Good audience manners are based upon respect for the performers and for others in the audience and are nothing more than expressions of courtesy. As such, we ask that students and audience members observe the following rules:

Estamos enseñando la etiqueta de concierto adecuada a nuestros estudiantes, como se describe en TEKS, Conocimientos y habilidades esenciales de Texas. Los buenos modales de la audiencia se basan en el respeto por los artistas intérpretes o ejecutantes y por los demás en la audiencia y no son más que expresiones de cortesía. Como tal, pedimos que los estudiantes y los miembros de la audiencia observen las siguientes reglas:

- **Turn off all noise-making devices.** Favor de apagan sus aparatos electrónicos.
- **Remain seated and quiet during a performance.** Permanecer sentado y en silencio durante el concierto.
- **Wait for the conductor to lower their hands to applaud.** Esperara que el conductor del concierto baje las manos para aplaudir.
- **If you must get up to leave, please do so in-between performances.** Si debe que levantarse para irse, hágalo entre medio de las canciones.
- **Remove small children immediately from the concert hall if they become restless or disruptive.** Si los niños pequeños se ponen inquietos, favor de retirarlos de la sala de conciertos para no interrumpir el concierto.
- **All students must stay for the entire concert, even after they have already sung.** Todos los estudiantes deben permanecer durante todo el concierto, incluso después de ya haber cantado.

Program

Da Capo

6th Grade Beginner's Mixed Choir

Duérmete

Victor C. Johnson

*Traditional Spanish folk song, sung all over Latin America.
Arrangement published 2012.*

Flautist: Mr. Mario Sarmiento, Head Director, Vela Band

Bel Canto

7th & 8th Grade Tenor-Bass Men's Choir

Wayfaring Stranger

Greg Gilpin

*Southern American Folk Hymn, dating back to 1858.
Arrangement published 2017.*

Parade of the Wooden Soldiers

Greg Gilpin

*Based on the orchestral piece "Die Parade der Zinnsoldaten" (Parade of the Tin Soldiers), written by German composer, Leon Jessel.
Arrangement published 2015.*

Special Feature

Performers from the 10/23 Solo Contest

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Mark Patterson

Featuring: Carolyn Villarreal

Come Sail Away with Me

Mark Patterson

Featuring: Roberto Garza



Program

A Cappella

7th & 8th Grade Treble Women's Choir

Winter Lullaby

PinkZebra

*Poetic lullaby text by mysterious composer, "PinkZebra."
Arrangement published 2016.*

Special Feature

Performers from the 10/23 Solo Contest

Never Far from Home

Mark Patterson

Featuring: Leesa Martinez, Mia Vidal, and Areanna Zapata

Encore

7th & 8th Grade Varsity Mixed Choir

A La Nanita Nana

Greg Gilpin

*Spanish lullaby dating back to the 1800's, paired with the traditional
"Coventry Carol" from Coventry, England in the 1300's.
Arrangement published 2015.*

Eagle Choir

All Choirs, Combined

Merry Christmas to Me!

Andy Beck

*Excerpt from the holiday musical "Santa Claus"
Arrangement published 2004.*

