

## 'Tis the season for music



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Scott Brewer, a music major at DMC, adds to the holiday celebration by performing in the Harvin Center on Dec 1.

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The Del Mar College Music Department kicked off the holiday season with the Del Mar Concert Choir Christmas Performance, Friday, Dec. 2 at Wolfe Recital Hall.

The DMC Concert Choir and Chamber Singers presented their annual Christmas Concert.

Traditional Christmas music was sung in all different styles ranging from a classic Renaissance sound to fun Jazz sound. It was only the beginning.

On Saturday, Dec. 3, there was a performance of the Corpus Christi Choral Artists as they presented "A Mystical Season." In their debut performance as a group, the choral artists started off well with a Christmas concert, under the direction of the founder of the group, Mark Urbina.

On Monday, Dec. 5, the Percussion Ensemble held its semester-ending performance, also at Wolfe Recital Hall on the East Campus. The group was joined by area high schools.

And, there are more performances to come.

On Wednesday, Dec. 7, the Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia American Music Recital and Student Composers Concert will take place. It will be held at Wolfe Recital Hall at 7:30 p.m.

This will be the group's 44th annual recital and will feature music with a different style. Del Mar's Kappa Chi Chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia will be performing music by Contemporary American composers, along with some of Del Mar's own student's composition.

Then, on Tuesday, Dec. 13, a student recital will be held featuring Adam Sanchez on trumpet and Matthew Treviño, on saxophone.

This performance will also be at Wolfe Recital Hall at 7:30 p.m. Together, they will play works by Arutiunian, Delmas, Glazunov and Massenet.

"A Holiday Celebration" open to everyone, will feature the Gulf Coast Master Chorus.

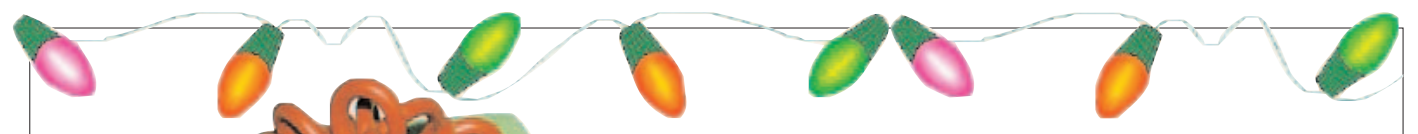
This performance will be held at the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, located at 700 S. Upper Broadway. It will begin at 8 p.m. and tickets are \$5.

Finally, on Friday, Dec. 23 the "Tuba Christmas" will take place. There will be almost 100 tubas, euphoniums, baritones and sousaphones playing favorites and Christmas songs. The low brass musicians in the area are invited to take part in this performance.

All that are interested can attend a rehearsal scheduled at 10 a.m. on the morning of the performance in the Harvin Center on the East Campus. There is a registration of only \$5 and it begins at 9:30 a.m.

Musicians interested in performing will need to provide their own music stands for both the rehearsal and performance.

For any information on any of the previous or upcoming performances, contact the Del Mar Music Department at 698-1214.



## Gifts for the holidays

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## DMC faculty member to direct Winter Wonderetts at harbor play house

By **Laurel Kanipe**  
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"Harispray" meets Christmas in a musical review called "Winter Wonderettes" at the Harbor Playhouse. A Del Mar College professor is making sure the cast and crew are ready for the holiday performance, Dec. 18.

Sarah Contreras serves as the show's director. Contreras, an associate professor of speech communications and director of forensics at DMC, has been working on the program for several weeks.

The show is about the "Marvelous Wonderettes." They are Cindy Lou (Chrisi Carter), the sex-pot character; Missy (Autumn Caro), the organized, newly-married character; Suzy

(Laurie Balke), the semi-naive, child-like, pregnant character; and Betty Jean (Debra Miget). The four form a singing group to perform at their senior prom and, after 10 years, return to perform at the annual Harper's Hardware Holiday Party.

"In this play, the audience is a part of the production. It is definitely 'audience participation,'" Contreras said. "The story line is that it is the company Christmas Party and one of the employees and her friends are the entertainment."

Halfway through the show, Santa (the boss) is supposed to arrive and hand out the Christmas bonus checks, but something goes wrong and the rest of the story is trying to figure out what happened."

The group performs a selection of holiday songs including "Winter Wonderland," "Little Saint Nick," "Jingle Bell Rock," and "Toonful Tinsel Tootsies: It got My Mistletoe Motivated."

Contreras has directed many children's productions for the Playhouse as well as several larger musicals such as "South Pacific," "Bye Bye Birdie," and many others) She is also on the Board of Directors and the Playhouse.

Tickets are \$12 for adults, but with a student ID, the tickets are \$5 and can be purchased by calling 888-SHOW (7469). You may also purchase tickets the night of the show at the box office.

Discounts are available for children, senior citizens, and military.

### STUDENT ART SALE



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Tracy Arrington, a nursing major at Del Mar College, sells pottery made by students who participate in the Student Art association