

Visual & Performing Arts District Advisory Committee (VAPA DAC)

Wednesday, May 12, 2021 – 7:00 PM – via Zoom

Tom Whaley is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: VAPA DAC Meeting

Time: May 12, 2021 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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AGENDA

7:00 PM – **Call to order and welcome**

7:05 PM – **Approve minutes** from April 2021 meeting (see page __ of agenda)

7:10 PM -- **Calendar review** -- Board of Ed meetings -- <https://www.smmusd.org/Page/5456>

REPORTS

7:15 PM -- **P.S. ARTS** – Rebecca Cardenas

7:20 PM -- **Administrator Co-Chairperson** -- Dr. Jacqueline Mora

7:30 PM – **Staff Liaison and VAPA Coordinator** -- Tom Whaley

7:40 PM -- **Board of Education Liaisons** –

Dr. Maria Leon-Vazquez and Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS (per the DAC Charge)

7:50 PM – **VAPA DAC Charge for 2019-20** (approved by the BOE on 9/5/19)
■ Support a comprehensive preK-12 arts education program as an integral part of

the core curriculum offered at all SMMUSD students, with dance, media arts, music, theater, and visual arts taught as discrete disciplines and integrated into other subject areas; as we align with and promote the Excellence through Equity Plan, which includes teaching cross-cultural and socio-emotional skills.

- *Serve as a conduit for parents, teachers, students and community members to inform and make recommendations to the Board of Education on matters related to equitable access and successful participation in comprehensive, sequential, standards-based preK-12 arts education, while comparing the District's curriculum, scheduling, staffing, instructional materials, equipment, and facilities with National and State standards and frameworks; as we align with and promote the Excellence through Equity Plan.*
- *Maintain the Board and District commitment to the adoption of a new 6-year SMMUSD Arts Education Strategic Plan. Review and advise this Plan to align with and promote the Excellence through Equity Plan.*

1. **DAC End-of-Year Report to the Board of Education** – Review and approve.

2. **Media coverage:**

“Malibu High Senior Art Show to Be Held at Tracy Park Gallery”

5/4/21 – *Malibu Times*

http://www.malibutimes.com/news/article_fa2ed536-ad5d-11eb-ab50-87b4ce81deea.html

“SMMUSD’s Music Education Program Receives National Recognition: Santa Monica and Malibu Named a Best Community for Music”

4/30/21 – *SMMUSD press release*

<https://www.smmusd.org/cms/lib/CA50000164/Centricity/Domain/2939/PR-NAMMaward0421.pdf>

“School District Recognized for Music Education”

4/30/21 – *Santa Monica Lookout*

https://www.surfsantamonica.com/ssm_site/the_lookout/news/News-2021/April-2021/04_30_2021_School_District_Recognized_for_Music_Education.html

“Innovative Teaching and Tech Lets Samohi Jazz Band Perform Live and Online”

2/10/21 – *Santa Monica Daily Press*

<https://www.smdp.com/innovative-teaching-and-tech-lets-samohi-jazz-band-perform-live-and-online/201778>

“Samohi Singers and Musicians Sweep All-State Selections”

1/11/21 – *Santa Monica Daily Press*

<https://www.smdp.com/samohi-singers-and-musicians-sweep-all-state-selections/200765>

“Sisterly Love on 2020 Stage”

12/9/20 – *Malibu Times*

http://www.malibutimes.com/malibu_life/article_0833007c-39f4-11eb-ae66-0b5ad364b54c.html

“Samohi Orchestra Director Retires after 17 Showstopping Years”

8/20/20 – *Santa Monica Daily Press*

<https://www.smdp.com/samohi-orchestra-director-retires-after-17-showstopping-years/195645>

3. **Virtual and live exhibits and performances during the 2021-21 school year:**

October 16, 2020 – **Samohi Orchestras** – “Concert in the Cloud 2020” – The Annual Fall Benefit Concert morphed into an orchestral online showcase of student-produced music -- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RcXIy5uGdMo>

October 24, 2020 -- **Santa Monica High School Theatre Department students**
DTASC (Drama Teachers of Southern California) Fall Festival
Monologues: Both finalists -- 2nd Place and Honorable Mention
Small Group Comedy: Vanya, Masha, Sonia and Spike: Finalist - Honorable Mention
Large Group Drama: 1984 - 3rd Place
JV: Large Group Comedy - Jealous Husband - 4th Place

October 26 to November 1, 2020 – **Malibu High Art** -- Virtual Art Show for Photo 1 students -- <https://www.artsteps.com/view/5f9334ce66777c60459cfd96>

November 19, 2020 – **SMMUSD Middle School Mariachi group** – virtual performance for the Board of Education

November 21, 2020 – **Samohi Choirs** – “Bittersweet Serenade” – Solos & small collaborations -- “Smile” -- Alexander Homami
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2b4H-AaWazQ>

"It's Not Unusual" – duet -- Dixie and Sadie Lovett

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jOkzwPRJ5mY&feature=emb_logo

December 4 and 5, 2020 – **Malibu High Theatre** – *She Kills Monsters* – live stream performances followed by Q&A.

December 11, 2020 – **Malibu Middle and High School Choirs** – Winter Concert

MHS Chorale -- "A La Media Noche" -- <https://youtu.be/scjDLYyojbw>

MMS and MHS Combined Choirs -- "Christmas on the Beach in Malibu" --

<https://youtu.be/quLMsE5wZAU>

December 13, 2020 – **Samohi Barbershop Quartet** -- For the 2021 Barbershop Harmony Society Virtual Junior Quartet Challenge --

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=24II5006lQ8>

December 15, 2020 – **Elementary school choir students from McKinley, Roosevelt, and Will Rogers**, directed by Lindsay Okumura, presented a virtual concert sing-a-long and video entitled "In December" --

<https://youtu.be/QZ7svNhC3zA>

December 16, 2020 – **John Adams Middle School** -- Virtual Winter Concert

(2019 video -- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9iXfafmU-HU>)

December 17, 2020 -- **Lincoln Middle School** – Orchestra, Band, Choir, & Art Winter

VAPA Celebration -- <https://secure.givelively.org/donate/santa-monica-arts-parents-association/lincoln-music-winter-concert>

December 18, 2020 – **Samohi Fall Dance Showcase 2020** – The Santa Monica High School Dance Program presented "Our Journeys" --

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5EF5XlhHwNc>

December 19, 2020 – **Samohi Orchestras 2020 Virtual Winter Concert** – We are proud to present performances by all seven orchestras and more than 300 students, led by directors Jason Aiello and Jim Wang.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fdcYb6GwJhM>

January 18, 2021 – **Samohi Choirs** – "We Shall Overcome" recorded by Samohi Choir, Madrigal Ensemble, and Chamber Singers for The Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. Westside Coalition's 2021 Virtual Celebration.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OQFo5a-v25s>

January 24, 2021 – **Samohi Marching Band** -- Recording of the 2020/2021 Santa Monica High School (Samohi) "Viking" Marching Band performing their school fight song, "Vikings Bold." The animated video celebrates the new blue turf on the Samohi campus. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tNjhYmn0BTE&feature=youtu.be>

January 29, 2021 – **Malibu High Film** -- Malibu Shark TV – Season 11 – Episode 11 - <http://www.malibuhighsharktv.com/season-11.html>

Through February 28, 2021 – **Malibu Middle and High School Art** – 2021 Virtual Student Art Exhibit -- City of Malibu -- including students from Malibu Elementary, Webster Elementary, Malibu Middle School, and all Photo and Digital Design students from Malibu High School -- <https://publish.exhibit.com/gallery/098327542/long-gallery-46955/>

February 12, 2021 – **Samohi Jazz 2021 Winter Concert** – “Live from Home”
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xwXSYvKPPAg>
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgUFdR_qzgBARpsBoCqCUYA

March or April 2021 -- **Santa Monica High School Theatre Department** – The filming of *She Kills Monsters Virtual Realms* has been completed, is currently in the editing process, and will be presented as a hybrid film/online play. Photos on website: <https://www.samohitheatre.org>

April 16 – **Samohi Choirs** – Café Samo -- <https://www.samohichoir.org/>

April 30, 2021 – **Samohi Virtual Photo Exhibit: "Exposed!"** -- Our virtual photo gallery features Santa Monica High School’s 2021 Photo II class in an exhibition showcasing students work from the past year.
<https://exposedphotoexhibition.squarespace.com/>

May 2, 2021 – **Samohi Orchestras 2021 Virtual Spring Concert** with all 7 orchestras and more than 300 students! <https://www.samohiorchestras.com/>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3kpomePNJuM>
<https://app.peachjar.com/flyers/2061006/schools/56583>

May 8 – **Samohi Theatre Department** -- Spring DTASC (Drama Teachers of Southern California) Virtual Shakespeare Festival -- All three groups from Samohi reached the finals. Results not yet posted. <http://cetoweb.org/dtasc/>

May 8 – **Malibu High School** -- Senior Class of 2021 Student Art Show – 12 to 6 PM – Tracy Park Gallery, Malibu County Mart (to be repeated in June with the City of Malibu)

May 14 at 7 PM, May 15 at 2 PM, 2021 -- **Malibu High School Theatre Department** presents *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus* as a live stream performance.
<https://app.peachjar.com/flyers/2061416/schools/58471>

May 14 and 15 at 7:45pm -- **Santa Monica High School Theatre Department** – *She Kills Monsters Virtual Realms* – 7:45 PM – Samohi’s Greek Theatre
<https://www.samohitheatre.org/>
Dungeons Commercial: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tG8XqXT-3Jk>
Dragons Commercial: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jFTEjJoSjvA>

May 23, 2021 – **Samohi Jazz Bands 1 & 2** – Spring 2021 Concert – “Live from Home” -- with special guest artist Wayne Bergeron – 5 PM -- To be broadcast on our YouTube channel:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgUFdR_qzgBARpsBoCqCUYA

May 28 – **Lincoln Middle School** – Spring Concert 2021
<https://secure.givelively.org/donate/santa-monica-arts-parents-association/lincoln-music-spring-concert>

June 5, 2021 -- **Samohi Theatre Department** will present “Les Public Miserables” in lieu of Public Domain. This production is being filmed as a music video and includes three musical theatre numbers from *Les Miserables*.

Samohi Professional Dance/Choreography Program
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nP3rW1CYhwE>

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

8:55 PM – **Public comments regarding items not on the agenda** -- Public Comments is the time when **members of the audience** may address the DAC on items not on the meeting’s agenda. The Brown Act states that Committee members may not engage in discussion of issues raised except to ask clarifying questions or to refer the matter to staff.

9:00 PM – **Adjournment**