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TCA ARSHAG DICKKRANIAN ARMENIAN SCHOOL
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TCA Arshag Dickranian School Holds Its 30th Annual Christmas Program

Los Angeles, December 21, 2010 - The Tekeyan Cultural Association Arshag Dickranian School held its 30th Annual Christmas Program on Thursday, December 20, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. at the school's Walter and Laurel Karabian Hall. Complying with its tradition, the school held this event prior to the Christmas vacation thus giving parents, students, faculty members, friends and guests the opportunity to celebrate the Yule Holidays together.



The school choir singing Christmas carols

The event comprised of students ranging from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade performing in a medley of stage presentations and dances, interjected by recitations, monologues and Christmas carols sung by the school choir. The program was organized namely by pre-kindergarten teacher Ms. Madlena Marikyan and her assistant Ms. Nina Mkrtychyan, kindergarten teacher Ms. Anahid Avanesian and her assistant Ms. Martha Mirzakhanyan, Armenian teacher Ms. Emma Umroyan, music teacher Mr. Komitas Keshishyan, and dance teacher Mr. Robert Arakelian.



8th and 9th grade students performing Salsa

The program began with joint welcoming remarks by 6th grade student Mania Mgdasyan and 8th grade students Anais Nahapetyan and Louisa Hekimyan, which was followed by the Christmas carols "Deck the Halls" and "Feliz Navidad" sung by the school choir. The program continued with the kindergartners and pre-kindergartners taking the stage respectively with the kindergartners singing "The Twelve Months of the Year" and the pre-kindergartners singing "The Red Nosed Reindeer" and "Santa Clause Is Coming to Town". The toddlers' performances were followed by more carols sung by the school choir, a solo performance called "Gymnastics" by 6th grader Elizabeth Bedrosian, and "Cha-Cha-Cha" and salsa group dances performed by 8th and 9th grade students. A novel attraction was the stage presentation of an Armenian musical play called the "Complaint of Animals" performed by elementary students. The program was concluded with a brilliant performance of the folk dance "Kinto" performed by high school students.



Elementary students performing "Complaint of Animals"

Principal Vartkes Kourouyan delivered the closing remarks by thanking all the hands involved in the preparation and production of this joyful event, giving guests, faculty, students and teachers his best Holiday wishes and inviting guests for picture taking

and socializing.

Founded in 1981, The TCA Arshag Dickranian Armenian School is a Pre-K through grade 12 co-educational facility which serves the Armenian community at large. It is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and has federal tax exemption status. For more information visit www.dickranianschool.org.

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