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FIRST NIGHT MONTEREY 2010 KALEIDOSCOPE

CLASSICAL MUSIC, A CAPELLA and JAZZ OFFERINGS AT FIRST NIGHT MONTEREY 2010

Note: The complete press kit for First Night Monterey 2010, including program guide and images can be viewed at <http://www.firstnightmonterey.org/PressRoom10.html>

(Monterey) First Night Monterey is the premier New Year's Eve arts celebration in historic downtown Monterey.

On Dec. 31, 2009 from 3 p.m. to midnight, First Night presents a day-long festival of art, music, dance, and more. First Night is an alcohol-free event that welcomes children, families and revelers of all ages to celebrate community and unity through the arts. First Night Monterey offers a wide array of classical music this year. Most performances occur twice and last 45 minutes. For complete schedules including updates, please visit www.firstnightmonterey.org.

Cantus Chamber Singers

Site: 25: Carleton Hall (Rel Sci)

Time: 7:30 – 8:00; 8:15 – 8:45

A mesmerizing 13 –voice a cappella ensemble performs in this beautiful sanctuary, a variety of styles including renaissance, baroque, classical, pop and jazz.

Monterey Symphony Brass Quintet

Site: 25: Carleton Hall (Rel Sci)

Time: 4:30 – 5:15; 6:15 – 7:00

Music from a variety of eras, starting with the Baroque period and ending with jazz and swing. Something for every taste from members of Monterey County's top orchestra.

Claudia Villela (JZ, LT)

Site: 25: Carleton Hall (Rel Sci)

Time: 9:15 – 10:00; 10:15 – 11:00

Acoustic Latin jazz from Brazil! Claudia Villela has been described as “the greatest expression of Brazilian music in the US today”. Listen and be transported by her soaring vocals and evocative lyrics to the colorful sights and sounds of life in South America.

Sirenz (WM)

Site: 24a: Conference Center Colton

Time: 6:15 – 6:45; 7:00 – 7:30; 7:45 – 8:15

An a cappella quartet with dynamic harmonies, funky beats and soul stirring lyrics. These talented young women compose their own originals and arrange traditional songs from around the globe.

First Night Monterey was founded in 1992 as a private non-profit organization to produce Art Works! free year-round community outreach programs and arts education workshops that culminate in the landmark New Year's Eve Celebration of the Arts on December 31st in historic downtown Monterey. With more than 30 venues, this event provides a family-friendly, alcohol-free setting for our community to come together to participate and celebrate the arts in welcoming and accessible ways, and has become a local tradition.

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