



EFO Celebration of the Arts 2008

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Grade schools students from OUSD perform at the EFO Arts Celebration

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Over 500 students, parents, faculty, and friends enjoyed an evening of art and entertainment at the Celebration of the Arts hosted by Education Foundation of Orinda (EFO) at Orinda Intermediate School (OIS) last week. Art in a variety of media was displayed in the gym for viewing as the OIS Jazz Band played. Songbirds from all four of the District's elementary schools collaborated on a trio of tunes followed by the OIS String Orchestra who played music ranging from Vilvadi to the Beatles and topped off with a Russian Polka. The evening also included drama and public speaking demonstrations

and performances by members of the Miramonte Choir.

Now in its 29th year, EFO has a long legacy of supporting arts within Orinda's school system. "The purpose of the event was to showcase the fabulous musical and artistic talents of our Orinda students. There are over 540 students involved in the various arts programs sponsored by EFO—a testament to our broad and successful commitment to education in Orinda." stated EFO President Janet Riley.