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## Orinda Academy Announces 2015 Graduates

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Orinda Academy 2015 graduates (listed in alphabetical order): Raina Arberry, Torin Bakos, William Burkhalter, Miranda Gill, Matthew Hildreth, Ben Jaffin, Jae Sub Lee, Michael Livanos, Alex McSpadden, Colin Mooney, Sairena Ramirez, Tyra Rensch, David Rios, Micah Sherman-Raz, Wilson Wan, and Vicky Wang Photo provided

ceremonies, the following students received academic achievement awards: Most Outstanding Student Award - graduating senior David Rios; The Monte Melnick Community Service Award - graduating senior Raina Arberry; Colin Pugh Award for the student having the most positive impact on the Orinda Academy Community - graduating senior Michael Livanos, who also received this award in 2014; and The Zeke Nierenberg Award for Social Activism - 11th grade student Dylan Seidler.

Orinda Academy, a private day school for students in grades 8-12, celebrated its 33rd commencement exercise June 12 as 16 seniors received their diplomas before a crowd of proud parents, family and friends. Leading the Class of 2015 was valedictorian, Michael Livanos, who will attend the University of Minnesota Twin Cities. He was the recipient of the \$30,000 Gold National Academic Scholarship by the University of Minnesota. In addition, Livanos received a memorial scholarship at the Greek Orthodox Folk Dance Festival and the Nativity of Christ Greek Orthodox Church Philoptochos scholarship.

Orinda Academy's graduates represent an international community. They will be heading off to the following public and private colleges and universities throughout the nation: California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo; Diablo Valley College; Hampshire College; Landmark College; Linfield College; Pasadena City College; San Francisco State University; University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign; University of Minnesota, Twin Cities; Willamette University; and University of Redlands.

Along with Orinda Academy's graduation

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