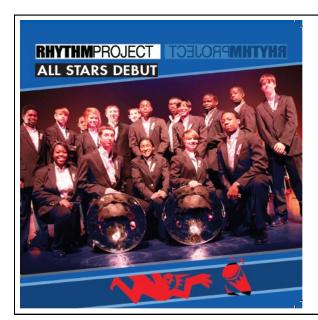






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The Rhythm Report

Volume 40

Greetings,

We are happy to report another successful fall recruiting season. Over 145 students were impacted by

the Rhythm Project during the 2012 fall academic semester. Student enrollment includes children in grades 4 through 12 in four school districts: Norfolk, Portsmouth, Virginia Beach and York County. There are eight ensembles: 7 steelbands and 1 African Drumming program.

All of our ensembles are well underway and have already done several in-school and community performances. This newsletter covers our fall performance highlights as well as our highly anticipated Rhythm Live! performance; which is scheduled for Friday, February 22 at the Roper Performing Arts Center in Norfolk.

We look forward to entertaining you, our valued patrons, with Rhythm Live! and at our upcoming spring performances.

Sincerely,

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Winter 2013

Friday, February 22, 2013

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Rhythm Live!
All Stars
Roper Performing Arts Center
Norfolk, VA
7:30 PM
See inside for ticket information

Saturday, April 13, 2013

VBCPS All City Festival
Virginia Beach Rising Stars
Sandler Center for the Performing Arts
Virginia Beach, VA
Time TBD

Friday, April 19, 2013

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SOA Rhythmic Arts Jubilee
York County School of the Arts Steelband
Bruton High School Auditorium
Williamsburg, VA
7:00 PM

Saturday, May 11, 2013

11th Annual
PANorama Caribbean Music Fest
Multiple Ensembles
VA Beach 24th Street Oceanfront Park

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FALL 2012 PERFORMANCE REVIEW



Rhythm Project ensembles performed for a collective total or 15 events during the fall semester. Performances have included:

- 4 in-school events at Salem High School and Academy, Virginia Beach
- 5 performances in the York County school district by our York County School of the Arts (SOA) ensemble. This ensemble includes both Middle School Arts Magnet students (MSAM) and SOA high school students.
- A performance by the Junior All Stars at the Rhythm Project's holiday party at the Portsmouth Art and Cultural Center.
- 5 community performances by the All Stars in Norfolk, Portsmouth and Windsor, VA; including: Isle of Wight County Fair (9/15), Norfolk Neighborhood Summit (9/22) and the Children's Museum of Virginia's Olde Towne Holiday Music Festival (12/8).

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