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"Transforming Lives Through Musical Performance"

Mandarins Continue Tradition of Visual Creativity with their 2019 Color Guard Staff

2019 Season Auditions Begin in California and Texas(Brass)

Sacramento, Calif. (10/26/2018) –

We are pleased to announce the Mandarins 2019 Color Guard Staff with a focus on continuing the tradition of visual creativity. Once again leading the color guard team will be returning Color Guard Caption Manager Mario Ramirez.

Program Coordinator Ike Jackson stated, "I'm extremely proud that joining us again this year will be our Creative Director and Color Guard Caption Manager Mario Ramirez. His creative team was monumental in our success the last two years and I'm excited to see what their creative expertise and experience will bring to our team again this year."

As the Creative Director, Mario Ramirez states that he "is thrilled to continue his journey with such a passionate group of designers and educators. As well as helping to lead the Mandarins to new heights, continue to explore our identity and maximize our theatrical show productions."

Corps Director JW Koester shared his views that "The Mandarins Color Guard was one of the strongest sections in the corps in 2018. We are pleased to have our color guard staff returning to bring our 2019 show to life."

Color Guard Caption Manager and Choreographer Mario Ramirez further commented, "I am very excited to be back with the Mandarins in 2019. I have worked with the members of this guard staff for years. We are looking forward to creating another memorable and powerful show full of artistry and excitement for our performers and fans this season."

The Mandarins 2019 Color Guard Staff is composed of
Mario Ramirez – Guard Caption Manager / Choreographer / Designer
Brandi Ramirez – Guard Consultant / Lead Tech
Chris Cordova – Guard Tech
Manny Ruiz – Guard Tech
Keila Crook – Guard Tech
Jorge Chanax – Guard Tech
Jasmine Ibarra – Guard Tech

If you would like to play a part in the Mandarins 2019 Color Guard, the first 2019 audition camps will begin in November and December in California. For a full 2019 audition schedule and a list of all staff bios, visit <http://mandarins.org/auditions/signup.php>.

The Sacramento Mandarins for the first time in the corps 55 year history achieved its highest ranking, finishing 10th in Drum Corps International Finals Competition. The Mandarins are proud to have impacted the lives of thousands of youth, teaching them the values of respect, leadership, discipline, and good citizenship with a true sense of purpose. Learn more at www.mandarins.org.