

Rio Grande Valley TUBACHRISTMAS News

Dear Director,

It's TUBACHRISTMAS season once again! Last year we had a very successful TUBACHRISTMAS performance, with almost 450 participants (one of the largest in the world). Please encourage your tuba and euphonium colleagues and students (middle school students should have no problem) to participate in our mass low brass ensemble. Our schedule is as follows for **Sunday, December 3th, 2017:**

Registration	8:45 a.m.	UTRGV Field House, Edinburg TX
Rehearsal	10:00 a.m. - Noon	UTRGV Field House, Edinburg TX
Performance	2:00 p.m.	UTRGV Field House, Edinburg TX

The following should answer any questions about our rehearsal and concert:

- **OUR GUEST ARTIST IS Deanna Swoboda!** Dr Swoboda teaches at Arizona State University.
- **Registration Fee is \$10**, which covers registration and an official TUBACHRISTMAS pin.
- Dr. Scott Roeder and Mr. Jim Egger will again be serving as the Co-coordinators for the event.
- **Please accompany your students throughout the day** - your assistance will be greatly appreciated.
- Please stress to your students the importance of proper behavior during the rehearsal and performance.
- Please **BRING STANDS** for your students to use.
- Please leave all cases in the bus or car.
- Dress comfortably...preferably in "nice" school clothes.
- Feel free to decorate your Tuba, Sousaphone, or Euphonium for the Christmas Season. Remember that we do give awards for the top Christmas Decorations.
- **Please help advertise for the Concert. Tell the students to tell family and friends to attend the Concert.**
- All participants will need "*Carols for a Merry TUBACHRISTMAS, vol. II,*" which may be purchased for \$20, if you do not already have the music. We also have a "new" larger print book (8 1/2" X 11") available for \$25.
- Other TUBACHRISTMAS items that you can purchase include:

TUBACHRISTMAS hats and scarves - \$15
TUBACHRISTMAS pins from other years - \$2
TUBACHRISTMAS CD's - \$15 & \$20

If you have any further questions or concerns please contact Dr. Scott Roeder (432-770-4355) or Mr. Jim Egger (956-369-4310). Thank you for your participation and cooperation in making the Valley's Twenty-Eighth Annual TUBACHRISTMAS a success!!!

Sincerely,

Dr. Scott Roeder-Professor of Tuba/Euphonium at UT Rio Grande Valley
Mr. Jim Egger-Director of Fine Arts at McAllen Independent School District