**Kellogg Chamber Singers host Thanksgiving show**

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The Kellogg Chamber Singers hosted a Thanksgiving-themed concert for the full-house audience members at the Music Recital Hall last Thursday, as the upcoming holiday season around the corner. Just like the upcoming holiday, it was a “thank you” for today kind of concert that showcased that concept with a series of themed songs alongside the special guests, the Diamond Ranch High School Stylus Singers, which was the first time they collaborated onstage.

Cal Poly Pomona alumna Carla Cardenas (’15) directed the Stylus Singers, who performed with director Professor Nike St. Clair’s Kellogg Chamber Singers.

“We’re a little familiar,” she said. “They’ve been our board members and we’ve been performing,” said Cardenas, who majored in music education and was part of the Kellogg Chamber Singers. “It was really cool because this the first time we were fully incorporated in an actual concert setting.”

The Thanksgiving-themed show entitled “This Abundant Life” kicked off with Diamond Ranch Stylus Singers performing their own set.

The high school group featured a comedy-skit form of performance in one of its set lists that left the audience amused due to its un-common choir actions such as old, yet comedic scenarios of the Stylus Singers freeze-framing with silly poses during the frequent halts of the show.

The Stylus Singers also had a highlighted performance of a cappella-driven a cappella performance that was only seen during the actual performance to the Diamond Ranch High School Stylus Singers.

“Audience members Alejandro Cerano and Robert Kochan got to see the Kellogg Chamber Singers and Diamond Ranch High School Stylus Singers,” said Bratcher, a fifth-year senior Diamond Ranch High School student. “We got to see all of the shows at the end which was something unique and we haven’t done something like that before,” said Cerano, a fourth-year civil engineering student.

“I don’t think I’ve done a Thanksgiving-themed concert before so that was interesting.”

“This was my first show and again this is spectacular and just the audience was really engaged,” she said.

“High school choir director Sanjay Santos was one of those guys,” said Kochan, a second-year civil engineering student. They kicked off with Diamond Ranch Stylus Singers’ set. “This was the first time we had a guest choir join us on stage and we were totally engaged — I couldn’t have been more proud of them,” said St. Clair, who also performs with the L.A. Master Chorale. “We made music; it was fantastic.”

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