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Pianist Gerald Robbins to Perform One Evening Only
Piano Virtuoso Performance to Benefit Coronado School of the Arts
Coronado High School Performing Arts Center
November 15, 7:00 p.m.

Coronado, CA, October 30, 2008 -- Coronado School of the Arts (CoSA) is privileged to present pianist Gerald Robbins in concert on November 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the Coronado High School Performing Arts Center at 650 D Avenue, Coronado.

Fox Artists' Management, a longtime supporter of CoSA, is producing the concert and generously underwriting the performance expenses. This is Mr. Robbins' first benefit recital to support music education for Coronado School of the Arts and for the Coronado-San Diego community. All ticket sales from the event will go toward CoSA, providing financial aid for students and funding for faculty.

"We consider this a once in a lifetime opportunity and are thrilled to have Gerald Robbins perform," says Kris McClung, Director, Coronado School of the Arts. "Our 600-seat state of the art theatre at Coronado High School Performing Arts Center provides an ideal venue for what we expect to be a sold-out show."

Highlights of the program include Mozart's Piano Sonata No. 8 in A minor, K.310, Beethoven's Piano Sonata in D major, Op. 10 No.3, the Toccata in D minor, Op. 11 by Prokofieff, and Tchaikovsky's Dumka, Op. 59.

Mr. Robbins won the Van Cliburn Award early in his career and has gone on to earn international acclaim as a renowned soloist. He has performed in virtually every major music center in the world, including New York, London, Paris, Amsterdam, Bonn, Munich, Athens, Frankfurt, Belgrade, Moscow, St. Petersburg, Tel-Aviv, Jerusalem, and Tokyo. In addition, Robbins' chamber music activities include collaborations with noted violinists Nathan Milstein, Pinchas Zukerman, Kyung-Wha Chung, Glenn Dicterow, and Ruggiero Ricci. He has been featured on radio and television broadcasts, and movie soundtracks. As the champion of neglected romantic repertoire, Gerald Robbins' artistry on the London-Decca, Orion, and Genesis labels include world-premiere recordings of concerti by Litolf and Reinecke. He is co-founder of the Lyric Piano Quartet and is a member of the chamber music faculty of the Manhattan School of Music in New York City.

Do not miss this rare opportunity to see Gerald Robbins' only San Diego performance this year. Individual tickets cost \$30 for this reserved seating event. Please call 619.522.4050 to purchase tickets, or for more information visit www.cosafoundation.org.

About Coronado School of the Arts (CoSA)

CoSA is a public arts conservatory for high school students that embraces and encourages artistic creativity and academic excellence. This pre-professional arts program reaches out to talented students from all San Diego County, offering a nurturing environment focused on individual growth, opportunity, and diversity.

CoSA is made possible by the CoSA Foundation, whose mission is to perpetuate a regional public school of the arts at Coronado High School that offers the opportunity for the best possible arts education to all qualified students in San Diego County. The foundation is committed to inspiring broad community support and engaging other foundations, educational and arts institutions, and community organizations in partnerships to fulfill this mission.

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