

Youth in Arts

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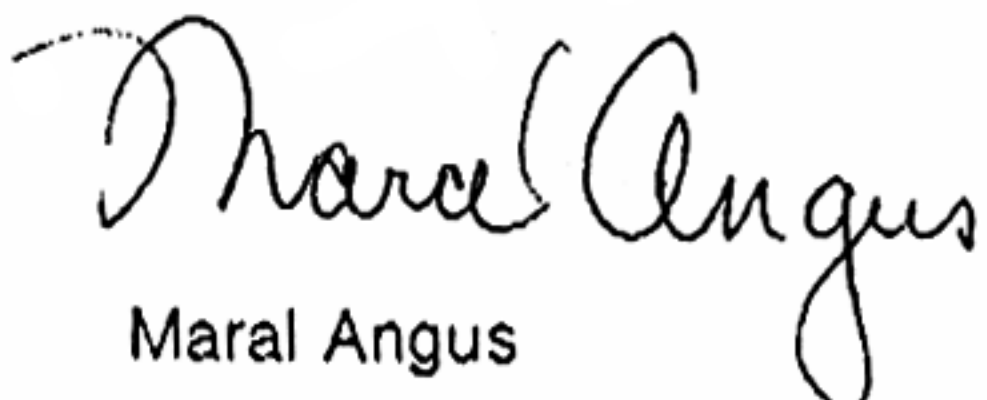
Youth in Arts is a non profit organization which presents live theatre for Bay Area children. More than 20,000 students attend the Performing Arts Series during the school year. Programs in the series represent all of the performing arts—dance, drama, music, musical theatre, opera, storytelling, and puppetry.

Juanita (Newland-Ulloa) & Picante Ensemble develop and perform professional musical productions that both delight and entertain children while exposing them to the Spanish language.

On December 3, Juanita & Picante Ensemble performed a program called *Canta Conmigo* for Youth in Arts audiences. The following is a response from one of the teachers who attended the performance with her class: "I thought this group really had a handle on what young children need and enjoy. They took turns involving the children and performing alone and they did not do all the dancing at once which made it more magical. They even sang as the classes were leaving which was very successful."

Juanita's program cleverly introduces the Spanish language to non speakers and instills a sense of pride in children of Spanish descent. And all the while students learn about musical instruments, including voice, and Spanish culture!

Sincerely,



Maral Angus
Program Director