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## THE GRAND CANYON MUSIC FESTIVAL

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### PRESENTS

THE NINTH SEASON OF ITS

NATIVE AMERICAN COMPOSER APPRENTICE PROJECT

(NACAP)

**WHAT:** For three weeks in August and September, 2009, **NACAP Composer-in-Residence Raven Chacon** will tutor talented high school students from five Navajo and Hopi Reservation high schools in the art of composition, resulting in new works for string quartet. Students will attend workshops, rehearsals, performances and recordings of their works with NACAP’s 2009 ensemble-in-residence **ETHEL**. From September 14 through 18th **ETHEL** tours the students’ works to **9 Native American reservation schools**, cuominating in the world premeires during an all day NACAP Fair at Grand Canyon Community buikding on Sunday Sepotember 20th at 5 p.m.

**WHO: COMPOSER-IN-RESIDENCE Raven Chacon; ENSEMBLE-IN-RESIDENCE ETHEL. Cornelius Dufallo**, violin, **Ralph Farris**, viola, **Dorothy Lawson**, cello, **Mary Rowell**, violin, Students from 5 Navajo and Hopi Reservation high schools.

### WHEN:

**Reservation tour**, September 14-18, 2009.

**World premiere performances of student works**, Sunday September 20th at 5 p.m.

### WHERE:

**Reservation tour:** Tuba City High School, Tuba City Boarding School, Tuba City, AZ; Monument Valley High School, Kayenta Boarding School, Kayenta, AZ, Chinle High School, Chinle, AZ; Hopi High School, Keams Canyon, AZ; First Mesa Elementary School, First Mesa, AZ., Whitehorse High School, San Juan, Utah

**World premiere performances of student works** Grand Canyon Community Building, Grand Canyon National Park

**TICKETS:** Admission to NACAP events is free.

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