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HILAND MOUNTAIN CORRECTIONAL CENTER ORCHESTRA TO PERFORM HOLIDAY CONCERT

JUNEAU – The media is invited to attend an annual holiday performance of the Hiland Mountain Correctional Center Orchestra at 2 p.m., Saturday, December 16. The HMCC Orchestra is in its fourth year and has grown from eight members to 16, while advancing from a beginner’s skill level to the advanced high school level.

“The orchestra brings some joy into the lives of people separated from family and loved ones during the holiday season,” said Superintendent Dean Marshall. “A dress rehearsal is held for the inmate population prior to the actual concert, and it is always well received and appreciated. It helps to lift the spirits of the musicians and the people in the audience.”

The HMCC Orchestra under the direction of West High Music Conductor Gabrielle Willis. Members of the West High Honor Orchestra will join as well. The orchestra is sponsored by Arts on the Edge and Anchorage Soroptimists. The event is a fund-raiser for ‘First Book’ family literacy program; tickets sell for \$25 (tax-deductible).

A selection of handicrafts handmade by inmates will be for sale prior to the concert.

WHAT: HMCC Orchestra Holiday Concert
WHERE: HMCC, 9101 Hesterberg Road, Eagle River
WHEN: 2 p.m., Saturday, December 16

