

## Celebrating the 2010 Bay School Manson Scholars

In the fall of 2007, two supporters of the Bay School approached Malcolm H. Manson, Founding Head of School, with an extraordinary offer. In celebration of our school's values and mission, these two individuals wished to provide a complete, four-year financial aid package to two members of the class of 2008 at their colleges of choice. They asked that the two students be known as the Manson Scholars.

The donors, who have chosen to remain anonymous, hoped that these awards would go to students who had not only benefited significantly from their four years at Bay but who had also shaped the distinctive culture of the school through personal integrity, academic engagement, commitment to others, and perseverance in the face of challenge. A selection committee convened by Father Malcolm sought guidance from our faculty and staff, and the first two Manson Scholars, Daniel Rathman and Gaby Gucho-Oliva, members of the inaugural Class of 2008 were selected. Both Daniel and Gaby are currently sophomores at Tufts University.



The following year, the donors renewed their commitment for two members of Bay's second graduating class, and Lydia Kim and Bindy Hayashi became the Manson Scholars of the class of 2009. Lydia is currently a freshman at UC Berkeley, and Bindy is a freshman at Willamette University.

**With the continuing support of our donors, we have recently announced two Manson Scholars from the Class of 2010. Let us introduce you to them:**



**Randa Atkins** has compiled a glittering academic record, and she learned recently that she had been accepted on an early decision basis at the University of Pennsylvania, her

first choice. In addition to her academic achievements, Randa is a seriously accomplished dancer and manages to fit a challenging calendar of training and performance into her academic life. During the fall admissions season, Randa spoke at each of our open houses for prospective students and their parents. Her poise, articulation, and sincerity were luminous, and all in front of hundreds of people. One faculty member commented during the selection process: "Randa is in many ways an example of the student we hold up to the world to show who we are. She works hard and is the type of student who is always able to take on more with a positive attitude. She is a joy to teach and I believe will accomplish much in her life."



**Canek Martinez-Villegas** is an extraordinary young man, mature, thoughtful, deeply responsible and committed to sustaining the very best dimensions of Bay's culture. He combines acute intelligence with an impressive work ethic and an energetic curiosity about the world. He is a highly respected role model to his fellow students, who selected him to chair the Conduct Review Council this year. Canek is also a skilled and creative musician, on both guitar and violin, and may well choose to pursue his college career at a conservatory. (And he just played his first gig at Yoshis!) One of our deans recently remarked: "Canek works very effectively with a wide range of individuals, he combines his own unique creativity with attention to the facts, and he thinks beyond the material being presented to consider how the ideas connect to have meaning in a more broad application. He challenges his classmates with divergent thinking. He has terrific intrinsic motivation. Canek embodies many of the reflective qualities to which we aspire as a community."

**Congratulations to our 2010 Bay School Manson Scholars!**