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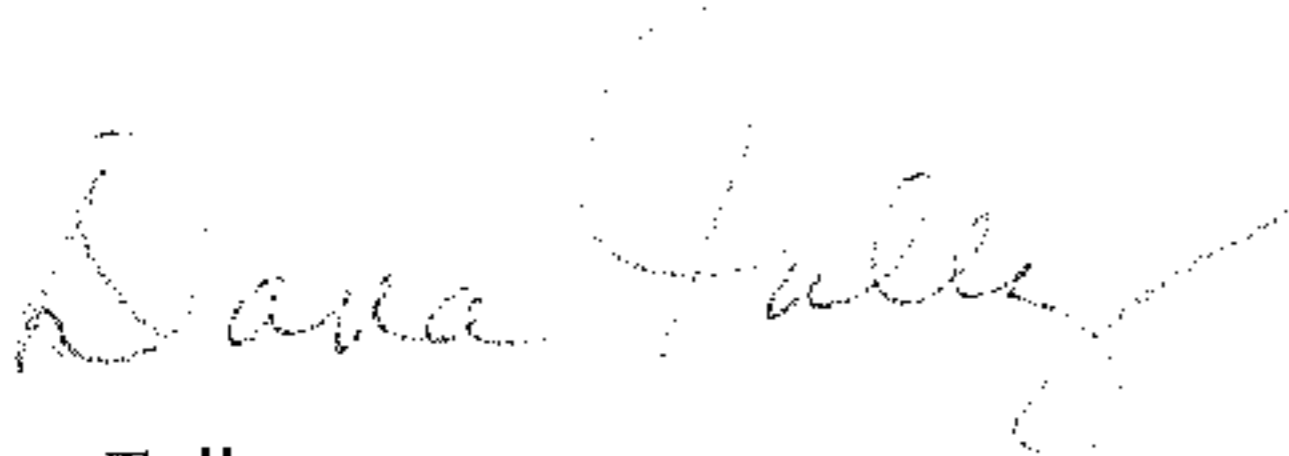
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To Whom It May Concern:

The Pinedale Fine Arts Council was very pleased to host jazz vocalist Dina Blade and her accompanist Hans Brehmer for a 3-day residency in May, 2009. During Dina's stay in Pinedale, she conducted outreach in our senior centers, nursing home and high school choirs as well as an evening performance of "What Did You Hear in the War, Daddy."

The high school choir workshops conducted in Pinedale and Big Piney were very well received. Students participated in creative expression through production by singing in different styles which helped reinforce different time signatures and also helped students understand how quickly you can change a piece of music by changing a meter and singing in a different style by accenting different beats. Dina and Hans worked with several of the students individually on solos and also were gracious enough to help the accompanist after the workshop to offer ideas on some of their own music.

Dina's "What Did You Hear in War, Daddy" show is a complete time travel experience of song, a bit of dance and memorabilia. It is a wonderful way to bring that era to life for the younger generation plus set 90-year old toes a tapping. Both Hans and Dina are very personable and warm which invited the audience to linger afterwards to visit with them and share their own personal stories and memories of that era.



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