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We're only hours away from the 2007 Ford Motor

Company's Mariachi Vargas Extravaganza. The concert will be
headline by Mariachi Vargas de Tecalitlan, considered the world's
best, tonight, Saturday at the Municipal Auditorium.

Also performing are Azucena,
Mariachi Los Galleros and the
winners in the high school and
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Event sponsors Safeco, Insurance
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***And today, our SA Express-News' photographer Kin Man Hui shot this crisp, compelling and insightful MVE video of the 2007 vocal competition, held earlier today. You MUST check it out!

According to officials with MPR, the presenting agency, here is the list of group and vocal winners. The 1st place winners of the competition will perform tonight to open the show tonight.

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The list includes the songs the first place winners will perform tonight.

**Mariachi Group Competition Winners**

**Elementary/Middle School**
1st- Mariachi Tesoro de Tucson, Community Group, Tucson, AZ, "Cascabel"
2nd- Mariachi Los Patriotas, Patrick Henry Middle School, Houston
3rd- Mariachi Juvenil Halcón, Zapata Middle School, Zapata

**High School**
2nd- Mariachi Primer Orgullo, Edinburg High School, Edinburg
3rd- El Mariachi Cotuleno, Cotulla High School, Cotulla

**College/University**
1st - Mariachi Nueva Generacion, Texas State University, San Marcos, "Popurrí de Juan Zaizar," (arranged by student member Cirilo Campos, "Simplemente"

Ramiro Burr: Dance off calories with Esquivel and others
Ramiro Burr: It's all in the remix for Barcelona's Pinker Tones
2nd - Mariachi OLLU, Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio
3rd - Mariachi Veritas de Harvard, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

2007 Best (overall) Mariachi Vocalist in the U.S.
Esteban Velasquez, 18, "Si Te Vas," Odessa High School, Odessa.
Velasquez will be accompanied tonight by Our Lady of the Lake University's mariachi.

Other Mariachi Vocalist Competition Winners
Elementary/Middle School
1st- Angela Mendoza, 12, "El Crucifijo de Piedra," Poe Middle School, San Antonio
2nd- Samantha Arispe, 12, "El Gallo de Oro," MECA, Houston
3rd- Enny Velasquez, 13, "Cucurrucucu Paloma," Patti Welder Magnet Middle School, Victoria

High School
1st- Esteban Velasquez, 18, "Si Te Vas," Odessa High School, Odessa
2nd- Xenia Adrian, 12th Grade, "El Mercader," HM King High School, Kingsville
3rd- Abigail Silva, 16, "El Crucifijo de Piedra," La Joya High School, Mission

College/University
Tie for first
1st- Selina Elizondo, 19, "El Crucifijo de Piedra," San Antonio College, San Antonio
1st - Renee' Gancare, college junior, "Por Amor," Texas State University, San Marcos
2nd - Alison Garcia, 21, "Te Quise Olvidar," Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio
3rd - Beatriz Corral, 19, "Con Fecha de Manana," Southwestern College, San Diego, CA

More details:
Harvard mariachi band to compete to S.A.

EVEN MORE details at
www.mariachimusic.com Tickets available through Ticketmaster and also (210) 225-3353
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