

Mother Lode Musical Theatre & Miller Creek School Present:

**The Eighth Annual Drake Pageant
Drake's Bay, Oct 20, 2006 at Noon
Drake's Visitor Center, Drake's Beach**



Co-sponsored by the Point Reyes National Seashore

The first encounter in Northern California between Native Americans and Europeans is re-enacted by Mother Lode Musical Theatre's professional actors and Miller Creek School students and musicians as Captain General Francis Drake and his sailors step ashore at latitude 38 degrees North.

Robert Currier, Marin Shakespeare Company director once again portrays Drake, Gene Ptak, Miller Creek Drama teacher appears as Chaplain Francis Fletcher. Susie Montijo Moore, Native American dancer and Desirae Harp, Wappo Tribe singer, lead the dancing. Carlos Porrata, environmental educator offers tales of Coyote. Patrick Hughes, Miller Creek Music teacher leads his students in Renaissance brass ensembles and Elizabethan aires. Miller Creek music and drama students portray Drake's sailors and Miwok Indians.

This year's student audience will become active participants. In addition to our Middle School Drake Study Guide, we have written a brief historical background for Elementary School students attending. Included is music (Elizabethan sea chanteys and Miwok airs for students to be able to sing along with Drake's sailors and the Miwok Indians who greeted them) and directions and materials for students to fashion their own Native American style necklaces to wear to the Pageant.

Because the number of audience at the beach is limited, teachers wanting to bring your class, please contact Corinne Swall, Mother Lode Musical Theatre 36 Turnagain Rd. Kentfield, Ca 94904. Tel (415) 461-0313; Email corinne.swall@comcast.net.