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TEXARKANA NATIVE CARL FINCH BRINGING BRAVE COMBO TO 40TH REUNION OF TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1970



Texarkana, TX – Carl Finch, founder of two time Grammy winning Brave Combo, has to work the weekend of the 40th Reunion for Texas High School's Class of 1970 so he decided to jump start the party on Thursday, October 7, 2010 by doing what he does best – performing with Brave Combo.

And, if giving the class of 1970 an evening of unrivaled revelry wasn't enough, Finch has worked closely with the reunion's organizers to make certain his classmates not only have a great time – Brave Combo is raising funds for the Texarkana Public Schools Foundation, too. Proceeds of the special appearance by Brave Combo will go to Texarkana Public Schools Foundation Tiger Scholarship Program.

Over the course of its 30+ year career, Brave Combo has won two Grammys, worked with David Byrne on his *True Stories* cult classic, been animated for an episode of *The Simpsons*, had songs featured in numerous TV and film soundtracks and redefined givens of "world music" as a genre. Polka, salsa, rock, cumbia, conjunto, cha cha cha, meringue and tango are only a few of the styles the band has made its own, and always with a distinctly Brave Combo-esque touch. They've been called "America's Premier Dance Band" for good reason – a typical night will have even the stodgiest audience member joining a conga line or discovering his inner Chicken Dancer.

Band members are: keyboardist, guitarist, accordionist and singer Carl Finch; Jeffery Barnes on woodwinds, sax and harmonica; trumpeter Danny O'Brien; drummer Alan Emert; and Little Jack Melody on electric bass.

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Carl Finch and company will appear at the Sullivan Performing Arts Center & John Thomas Theatre, 3941 Summerhill Road on Thursday, October 7 at 7:30 p.m. Ticket costs for the fundraising event is \$20 and can be purchased at: Bryce's Cafeteria, Paper Dolls, Red River Lumber Company, Sunnyside Natural Food Market, TEXAR Federal Credit Union, Timothy's Gourmet Grill and TISD Administrative Offices.

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