



PASADENA
SHOWCASE
HOUSE
for the Arts

Just in Showcase

June 2020

Watch for exciting news about a virtual event and sneak peek on Friday, June 26. Invitations arriving soon.

President's Message

Vikki Sung



The year 2020 will certainly live on in infamy. I often hear “every Benefit Chair faces a challenge.” Jill Fosselman, 2020 Benefit Chair, was certainly thrown a big challenge when the pandemic caused life as we knew it to come to a screeching halt well after construction at the Showcase House had already begun. As an essential business, construction was allowed to continue with safeguards and limits put in place to keep the workplace safe for everyone.

We have a beautiful Showcase House this year that Jill, the Core team, and I have been so eager to show off to the public but can't—the wait is unbearable. So, we'll be hosting a sneak peak version 2, a

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virtual event in June to give our ticket holders and members a taste of some of the fabulous designs in store and to highlight some of the cool features in the House. We'll be sending out an email with further information. We hope you will tune in.

It is our hope to open the 2020 Showcase House for tours in the Fall when the governmental authority allow, and let's face it, if economically viable to do so. I look forward to connecting with Showcase friends again.

Until then, I hope the disruption to your own lives these past two months has not been too great of a burden and I hope that the disease has not touched your lives. If it has, I offer my sincere sympathies. Even with FaceTime and virtual meetings, it is easy to feel socially disconnected in these times. If you want to chat, give me a call or reach out to a fellow Showcase member. Let's just agree to keep it audio only -- you don't need to see the growing bloom of my graying hair.

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Well, this certainly didn't pan out the way we all envisioned ... Hope this finds you and your loved ones well and not going too crazy. And if you need comic relief, I suggest you snuggle-up with Debra Qurtman and FaceBook-friend her --where does she find this stuff?!

To cut to the chase, we needed to postpone the June tour dates – hope you all saw the press release that dropped on Friday. Externally, we're working like crazy to slow/stop the flow of refund requests ... smarter people than me came up with the idea for a virtual event on June 26 as a means to "give" current ticket holders something and encourage them to hold on to their tickets (and let us hold on to their money). It will feature a live sneak peek of the finished construction at the house, as well as prerecorded musical gems and designer interviews. More to come! Internally, we've been begging and cajoling to get the work finished at the House. Sometimes it's felt like a furious dash, but most of the time it's like watching the slow chase of that white Bronco on TV for four hours ... but we're getting there! ALL, yep I said it, ALL construction will be done by the end of May, including most of the finish work (lighting, wallpaper, hardware)! What's left is delicate finery that can be installed within two weeks when we get the green light to prepare for a tour in the fall, and touch-ups.

More nitty gritty – the City loves and supports us and is going to administratively adjust our TUP when we get the green light to open. Our understanding owners are willing to allow us to stay in the home until the end of November, so we're working out the deets now on an addendum to the contract. Our shops vendors are almost feverish at the prospect of having Shops in the fall (i.e., Christmas shopping), and our Chef can't wait to serve drinks and provide warm food to all of us. The trick will be how to make this all come together in a post-COVID environment with significant operational changes mandated by our governing health agencies, all while NOT totally losing our shorts (and skorts, and flat-heeled shoes) in the process.

So this is what we're facing, and what we've been working on ... It's not easy, or fun, or pretty, or anything like what we signed up for, but this is what we have to deal with this year. Lots of hugs, kudos, and tremendous gratitude to those who have held down the fort at the house during the shut-down: Diane Hatfield, Mary Jarrett, Vikki Sung, Debra Qurtman, Helen Gibson, Irma Miller, Lydia Rubin, and Suzanne Hart. Also lots of appreciation to the folks tasked with sorting out this COVID nightmare, including Matt McIntyre, Cathy Hilton, Eileen Reilly, Christine Upton, and Undine Schwarz. Our Maestros of Money (AKA, Tickets People) Marti Farley, Garret Collins and Kim Galloway who will (fingers crossed) keep us in money, and our Pubs & Press Pretties (Christina Louie, Kaytie Watkins, Michele Lembo and Dotty Ewing) who are spinning our

message and getting up in the web and social universe. You all rock in my book.

But we have a lot of other names in our Showcase Family ... and we're going to need all of them to pull through this thing and come out the other side, with our heritage and tradition intact. When you get the call, please answer – we need you. Help us with what you can do – either remotely, on-site, by spreading the word about the June event, soliciting auction items, writing, making calls, and yes, even writing a check. Every little bit from each of you matters – truly!

Membership

Cathy Hilton

Is your dues notice still sitting in the to-do pile on your desk? Then this reminder is for you!

Please note any roster and status change on the notice and return it with a check for your dues in the enclosed envelope. Should you prefer to pay by credit card, you now can pay for dues and season tickets on our new website. If you pay online but have changes or corrections to your contact information or are requesting a status change, you may either return the dues notice to me by mail or you may email me the changes. The deadline for payment of dues is June 3rd, after that there is a \$50 late fee.

Please note the following changes:

New email address for Georgia Coyle is gcoyle@icloud.com

Change your contact information?

Please notify Cathy Hilton at
hilton.cathy@gmail.com
or you'll miss out on all the good stuff!

Since the last issue of *JIS* there has been a change to the slate of Standing Committees. The revised slate is listed below. Because of the unusual circumstances, it was decided to allow the Membership to vote online to accept or decline the slate. Please use the poll below the list to vote. Please vote on or before May 29. Remember only Active and Business Members may vote.

REVISED SLATE
2020-2021 STANDING COMMITTEES

Approved by the Board on May 11, 2020

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Marilyn Anderson
Christina Louie
Jan Wiles

GIFTS & GRANTS COMMITTEE

Alice Lacara
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Barbara Lyle
Christine Upton

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

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Lani Moore
Debra Qurtman
Colleen Robertson

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Jenny Chiang
Patricia Kent
Undine Schwarz
Marsha Seyffert
Judy Tsai

POLICIES & PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

Marilyn Anderson
Cathy Hilton
Merian Stewart

Active & Business Members Only
Please Vote Below
by May 29

Do you vote to accept the slate of Standing Committees as proposed?

Yes

Select

No

Select

It is the time of the year for us to nominate candidates for the Volunteer of the Year and the Distinguished Service Award. Criteria for each award is listed below.

CRITERIA FOR VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

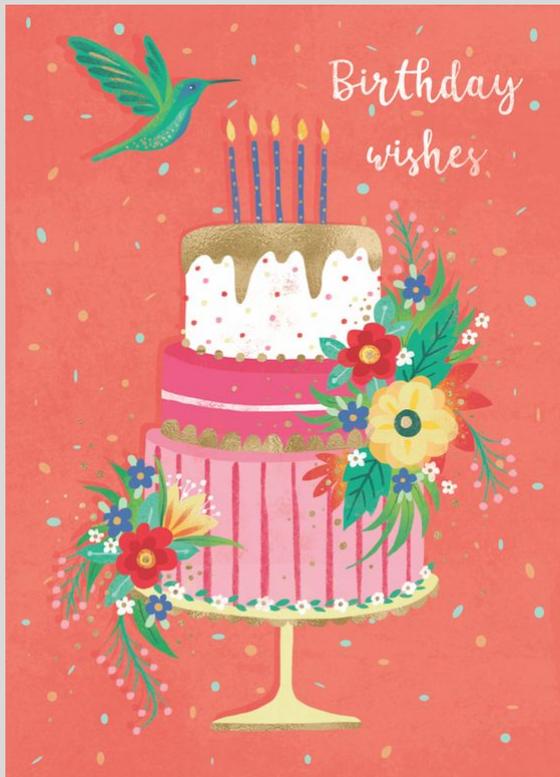
1. A member who provides exceptional service to the organization, far beyond what is expected within her/his position.
2. This service can take a myriad of forms, but the intent is to recognize exemplary service for the current year.
3. This should be a member who is a team player, who provides aid and support for other committee members and performs his/her job exceptionally well in addition to the criteria listed above.

CRITERIA FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

1. A member who has shown longevity - service on a permanent basis over a period of at least five (5) years.
2. A member who has shown breadth - high quality of contributions over the years.
3. As member who has shown significance - motivated by dedication and commitment to PSHA.

To nominate a member to receive the Volunteer of the Year Award or the Distinguished Service Award, please write a brief summary outlining why the member is deserving of the award. Please identify which award the member is being nominated to receive.

Please send the summary via email to Dana Marevich, Nominating Committee Chair, at dmarevich.psha@gmail.com and Cathy Hilton, Membership Chair at hilton.cathy@gmail.com by May 29. Each submission, including the name of the



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

6/3 Christine Upton
6/4 Susie Aguirre
6/6 Salpy Pontrelli
6/8 Kathryn Fauble
6/11 Kim Galloway
6/11 Jennith Knox
6/12 Dawn Bazler
6/12 Linda Massey
6/13 Ying Ying Lin
6/13 Michele Lembo
6/15 Susan Olsen
6/19 Nancy Cole
6/19 Kathleen Feely
6/20 Weta Mathies
6/21 Barbara Voors
6/21 Coleen Ball
6/23 Diane Hatfield
6/25 Aquinas Fruge Lightfoote
6/30 Barbara Damerel

JULY BIRTHDAYS

7/2 Matthew McInyre
7/4 Doris Christy

7/8 Susan Seitz
7/9 Ping Shih
7/12 Callie Hoffer
7/12 Donna Melone
7/15 Linda Polwrek
7/16 Sharon Pelton
7/16 Martha Wetzel
7/16 Sandra Renae Collier-Carter
7/17 Patricia Ellison
7/17 Janette Emamian
7/18 Georgia Coye
7/18 Mireya Asturias Jones
7/19 Erin Dundee
7/19 Muriel Newell
7/20 Holly Lake
7/20 Jan Tompkins
7/23 Nancy Kennedy
7/23 Rosanne Kusar
7/24 Marcia Kreditor
7/25 Wendy Crowley
7/26 Roxanne Hampton
7/26 Diane Manchee
7/27 Gerri Lee Frye
7/28 Gervel Sampson

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

8/1 Kerri Terrill
8/7 Charlene Liebau
8/8 Barbara Sanchez
8/11 Barbara Lyle
8/12 Chini Johnson-Taylor
8/13 Susan Caron
8/13 Andrea Kelly
8/14 Marsha Seyffert
8/15 Kathy Berchild
8/16 Debbie Hourihan
8/18 Susan Ratliff
8/19 Linda Cantwell
8/21 Joyce McGilvray
8/21 Marti Farley
8/24 Katherine Watkins
8/26 Marilyn Anderson
8/27 Fran Benuska
8/28 Donna Gotch
8/30 Mimi Coombs

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Please be sure these are included in your email contacts:

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Thank you for your support
and loyalty during
these difficult times.
Stay safe, stay well, stay home.
We look forward to seeing you
again on the back side.

