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PASADENA SHOWCASE HOUSE FOR THE ARTS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR 2025/2026 GIFTS AND GRANTS

ANNUAL GRANT AWARDS SUPPORT MUSIC EDUCATION, SCHOLARSHIPS, CONCERTS AND MUSIC THERAPY

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE NOVEMBER 15, 2025

(September 30, 2025) Pasadena, California -- Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts has announced the launch of its 2025/26 Gifts & Grants program. The cornerstone of the organization's philanthropic mission, each year Gifts & Grants distributes hundreds of thousands of dollars to local nonprofit organizations to support music and arts programs including underwriting community performances, academy and conservatory scholarships, music therapy, and music education. For the last several years the organization has been able to contribute at the \$1 million level to its Gifts and Grants program including for the 2024/25 program year with 88 non-profits receiving grants. To date, PSHA has contributed over \$27 million in support of music and arts in Los Angeles County.

The application period is now open and will close on November 15, 2025. Awardees will be advised in April 2026. Applications are encouraged by qualifying nonprofit organizations and local schools whose programs are administered and conducted in Los Angeles County, with special consideration given to the greater Pasadena area. For more information and application guidelines, visit <u>pasadenashowcase.org/gifts</u>.

Gifts and Grants Chair, Judy Tsai, a long-time member of the organization, is very excited to be chairing the committee this year. "Our Gifts and Grants program offers an essential service to our community by giving vital funding for local music and arts programs," she says. "It's so rewarding to see first-hand how the money we raise is providing such value to the community."

Funds for the Gifts & Grants program as well as the organization's four other music programs are derived from the annual benefit, the Pasadena Showcase House of Design. Last year's event, supported by designers, volunteers, shops and restaurants, welcomed over 30,000 visitors to tour the home, shop and dine. Now celebrating its 61st year, plans are currently underway to transform a grand and historic property in Arcadia as the 2026 Pasadena Showcase House of Design. The quintessential home that has never been designed as a Pasadena Showcase House before, has more than 8,000 square feet of interior design space and sits on beautiful, park-like grounds.

The 2025/26 President of Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts, Dotty Ewing, says it's the public's attendance at the Pasadena Showcase House of Design that allows the organization to continue its Gifts and Grants program as well as their mission to provide music and arts programs throughout the community. "What is most important is that our visitors know how they are helping the community when they purchase a ticket, shop or dine at the event," she says. With ongoing support from designers and volunteers, she believes the 61st Pasadena Showcase House of Design will also be a well-turned-out event and raise significant funding. "The home is truly noteworthy, so we are thrilled to present it to the public." More information about the 2026 Pasadena Showcase House of Design will be announced soon.

About Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts

Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts, an all-volunteer, nonprofit organization, has been supporting local music and arts programs since 1948. With the hard work and dedication of its 200+ members, the organization raises funds from its major benefit, the Pasadena Showcase House of Design—one of the oldest, largest, and most successful house and garden tours in the country. Throughout its history, the organization has given more than \$27 million to nonprofit organizations, particularly through its Gifts & Grants program, in support of music education, scholarships, concerts, and music therapy, while continuing to support the LA Phil and its learning programs for which the organization was first founded. Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts also nurtures the study and appreciation of music among young people with its four annual music programs: the Music MobileTM, which has introduced orchestral instruments to more than 130,000 third grade students; the Instrumental Competition, which has awarded more than \$720,000 in monetary prizes for exceptionally talented young musicians; and the Youth Concert, which has brought nearly 265,000 fourth graders to Walt Disney Concert Hall for exuberant performances presented by the LA Phil. We have just expanded to a fourth musical endeavor by funding an LA Phil Resident Fellow. For more information and photos, please visit pasadenashowcase.org.