MORE THAN 80,000 AUDIENCE MEMBERS FROM THROUGHOUT THE REGION ATTEND THE GREAT PERFORMANCES AT MASON EACH SEASON AT GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY’S CENTER FOR THE ARTS. PATRONS OF ALL AGES AND INTERESTS FIND SOMETHING INNOVATIVE AND FASCINATING AT THE CENTER FOR THE ARTS—A CULTURAL ACTOR THAT ENTERTAINS, EDUCATES, AND ENRICHES OUR LIVES.

FOR CLOSE TO TWO DECADES, FINANCIAL AND VOLUNTEER SUPPORT OF THE FRIENDS OF THE CENTER FOR THE ARTS HAS MADE IT POSSIBLE TO PRESENT WORLD-RENOWED PERFORMANCES AT TICKET PRICES DESIGNED TO WELCOME A BROAD AND DIVERSE AUDIENCE—EVEN THOUGH THE COSTS OF PRESENTING THOSE PERFORMANCES OFTEN EXCEED THE INCOME FROM TICKET SALES. THE CONTINUED AND ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORT OF THE FRIENDS OF THE CENTER FOR THE ARTS ENABLES THE GREAT PERFORMANCES AT MASON TO OFFER A BROAD AND HIGH QUALITY OF PROGRAMMING IN MUSIC, DANCE, THEATER, AND OPERA.

THIS SEASON, THE FRIENDS CONTINUE THEIR TRADITION OF GENTRIFYING AND DEPTH OF SUPPORT THROUGH ITS LAUNCH OF THE GRAND TIER SOCIETY. SUPPORT FROM OUR FRIENDS ENSURES THAT THE SEASONS OF GREAT PERFORMANCES AT MASON CONTINUE TO REMAIN VIBRANT AND AFFORDABLE TODAY AND FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.

INSIDE THE CENTER FOR THE ARTS

More than 80,000 audience members from throughout the region attend the Great Performances at Mason each season at George Mason University’s Center for the Arts. Patrons of all ages and interests find something innovative and fascinating at the Center for the Arts—a cultural anchor that entertains, educates, and enriches our lives.

For close to two decades, financial and volunteer support of the Friends of the Center for the Arts has made it possible to present world-renowned performances at ticket prices designed to welcome a broad and diverse audience—even though the costs of presenting those performances often exceed the income from ticket sales. The continued and enthusiastic support of the Friends of the Center for the Arts enables the Great Performances at Mason to offer a breadth and high quality of programming in music, dance, theater, and opera.

This season, the Friends continue their tradition of generosity and depth of support through its launch of the Grand Tier Society. Support from our Friends ensures that the seasons of Great Performances at Mason continue to remain vibrant and affordable today and for future generations.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

A payment plan option is available!
Make your contribution monthly, quarterly, or twice a year in an amount most convenient for you. Just choose the “payment plan” option on the membership form.
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FRIENDS

Friends of the Center for the Arts

The Friends of the Center for the Arts provides financial and volunteer support for the Center’s programs and activities. As a Friend, your membership supports the season of the Great Performances at Mason, as well as the Pre-Performance Discussions, community outreach and education programs, the Friends-Only Artists in Conversation programs, and Special Events. Your gift demonstrates your appreciation for the important role the arts play in our lives and our community and ensures a bright future for the Center for the Arts. Become a Friend today and join the hundreds of members who are enjoying the benefits and the satisfaction of supporting the arts at Mason.

Join our circle of Friends today!

We love attending performances at the Center for the Arts. The quality and variety of the programming is like bringing the world of music and arts to our doorstep.
— PAULETTE AND MACK MILLER

“We especially enjoy backstage tour opportunities, where we get to meet and interact with the artists on stage.”
— FRANK AND CARLA ARMAAReCK

“Volunteering for Friends Special Events enables us to further our support of the Center for the Arts and connect with other fellow Friends members.”
— CHRISTINE O’HARE, JOAN WHITE & JOYCE GRIMES

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**2014/2015 MEMBER BENEFITS**

- Priority processing of season tickets
- Hall price ticket offers for select Great Performances
- Access to the Friends-only refreshment area with complimentary coffee and soda drinks at Great Performances
- Invitation to pre and post-performance Special Events
- Complimentary invitation to the Friends-Only Arists in Conversation Events
- Invitation to the annual Season Preview Event
- Subscription to the Friends print and electronic newsletters
- Membership pin

**Contributor** ($150 – $249)

- Acknowledgment in special programs
- Discounted parking at weekend Great Performances

**Donor** ($250 – $499) ($30 non-deductible)

- Benefits listed above, plus:
- Reserved seating at four Pre-Performance Discussions
- Two complementary tickets to a Mason student performance**
- Invitation to backstage tour opportunities (two per season)
- Two complimentary tickets to a Mason student performance**

**Patron** ($500 – $999) ($70 non-deductible)

- Benefits listed above, plus:
- Five free parking passes for weekend Great Performances at Mason
- Four vouchers for complimentary wine at the Concert Hall Lobby bar**

**Grand Tier Society** Membership Levels:

- Gifts of $100 or more are acknowledged in performance programs.
- **This benefit affects tax deductibility.**

**Sponsor** ($1,000 – $2,499) ($85 non-deductible)

- Benefits listed above, plus:
- Complimentary CD of a Great Performances artist**

**Advocate** ($2,500 – $4,999) ($85 non-deductible)

- Benefits listed above, plus:
- Opportunity to meet a Great Performances artist**

**Benefactor ($5,000+)**

- Benefits listed above, plus:
- Grand Tier Society pin

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**FRIENDS EVENTS**

**Friends Special Events**

The Friends of the Center for the Arts host two special events each season, one in the fall and one in the spring. Members will receive invitations in the mail to join us for creatively themed pre and post-performance receptions and dinners. These special events are held at the Center for the Arts and for take place immediately before or after a performance.

In addition, Friends will also receive an invitation to the popular Season Preview Event, where Friends members get to learn about the new season of Great Performances at Mason first!

**Friends-Only Artists in Conversation**

The Friends of the Center for the Arts host five artists in Conversation events each season. Invitation to Artists in Conversation events are an exclusive benefit of membership and are open to all Friends members free of charge. These events are held at the Center for the Arts and often take place a day or two before or after a performance.

Artists in Conversation events provide members the opportunity to gain a behind-the-scenes look into an upcoming performance. These lively conversations are led by members of the faculty and guest artists.

During the 2014/2015 season of Great Performances at Mason, members will receive an invitation by e-mail with the date and location of the Artists in Conversation event connected to the following performances:

- Virginia Opera, Sweeney Todd
- L.A. Theatre Works, In the Heart of the Night events**
- Tango Buenos Aires, Song of Eva Peron
- Todd Ellison, Love on Broadway
- MOMIX, Alchimia

**2015/2016 Season Preview Event**

**Wednesday, April 8, 2015**

Be the first to hear about the new season of Great Performances at Mason!

**Introducing the GRAND TIER SOCIETY**

Members of the Grand Tier Society play a visionary and leadership role in ensuring that the season of Great Performances at Mason continues to be vibrant and affordable today and for future generations.

In gratitude for their leadership support, friends of the Center for the Arts offer in Grand Tier Society members exclusive benefits to further enrich their acknowledgement in the life of the Center for the Arts and the Great Performances at Mason season.

In addition to all of the benefits listed to the left, members of the Grand Tier Society receive:

- Grand Tier Society acknowledgement in performance programs and on a special recognition wall located in the Concert Hall Lobby all season long
- Invitation by mail to two Grand Tier Society events each season held in private homes with special guest artists from the Washington Metro area.
- Grand Tier Society pin

**GRAND TIER SOCIETY**

- Sponsor — $1,000–$2,499 ($85 non-deductible)
- Advocate — $2,500–$4,999 ($85 non-deductible)
- Benefactor — $5,000–$9,999 ($250 non-deductible)
- **I would like to designate membership benefits to make my gift tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.**

Payment Method:

A. The total amount of $_________________ is enclosed.

B. I would like to join through a payment plan.

- Please charge $_________________ (total amount) to my MasterCard
- Visa

C. I am renewing my membership for the 2014/2015 season.

- Please charge $_________________ (total amount) to my American Express
- Visa

**JOIN THE FRIENDS**

- Friends may address are acknowledged and are not distributed to 3rd parties for any reason.深耕教育、教育事业者、教育工作者、教育爱好者，我们共享教育力量。

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