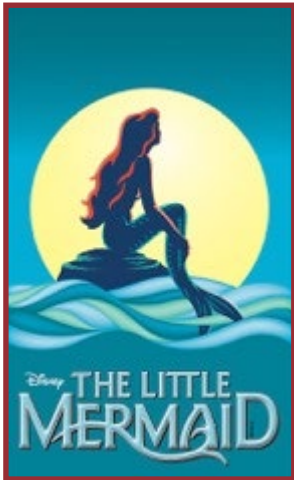




# SPOTLIGHT

CREATING COMMUNITY THROUGH THE ARTS



## TACFA's 18th Broadway in the Park Production: Disney's The Little Mermaid!

In its 26th anniversary year serving the Tustin Community with its support of the arts, Tustin Area Council for Fine Arts (TACFA) proudly presents its 18th annual Broadway in the Park summer production, Disney's "The Little Mermaid" in cooperation with the Chance Theater of Anaheim.

The ocean sets the stage for this delightfully romantic tale of love discovered, love lost, and love regained. The Young mermaid Ariel is content to swim with her fellow sea friends until she decides to swim to the surface, much against her Father Triton's commands. Ariel discovers amazing creatures who wear shoes and who can walk on the land. In her wish to become human, she finds romance with a handsome prince and learns the terrible price to pay for her dream from a wicked sea hag who casts her spell on the unsuspecting sea maiden. As always happens in Disney stories, true love triumphs over evil with its powerful kiss and the earth and sea are united in happiness.

Come and enjoy these moments with the music of Alan Menken, lyrics of Howard Ashman and Glenn Slater with story based on the book by Doug Wright. You will "wriggle" in your seat when you hear "Under the Sea," "Part of Your World," and "Kiss the Girl." Additionally, ZFX will provide the opportunity to have some of our sea creatures "float through the water" to bring an added fantastic dimension of entertainment to our audience.

Returning for its fourth year as production team, Anaheim-based Chance Theater, under Artistic Director Oanh Nguyen, is one of the leading ensemble-driven theatre companies in Southern California. Chance Theater has won three Ovation Awards, an LADCC Award, and LADCC's Polly Warfield Award for Excellence. It has been named "Outstanding Arts Organization" by Arts Orange County. In 2016 Chance was a recipient of a National Theater Company grant from the Tony's Theater Wing. "TACFA is excited once again to bring the talent of the Chance Theater to its Broadway in the Park production in Old Town Tustin," stated TACFA President Kim DeBenedetto, "and I know that our audience will enjoy this classic story that they have re-created."

TACFA's annual BITP production will be staged in Old Town Tustin, at Peppertree Park, from August 7- August 11, 2018. This is a week earlier than past years' productions; so mark your calendars. Box offices open at 5:30 PM; gates open at 6:00 PM; and the performance begins at 8:00PM. Audiences may purchase food and beverages from local Tustin non-profits. TACFA will sell beer and wine. Bring your blanket, your chair, or purchase a table. Come to the Park and enjoy a fun-filled evening of music, dance, and good feelings! Come and be part of Ariel's world!

BITP tickets will be sold at the following locations: Mrs. B's, Benjie's, Chemers Gallery, Scooter's Hallmark, and Tustin Parks & Recreation Department. Tickets are also available on-line at the website. Prices are \$20 each; group tickets of 25 or more are \$16 each, with children age 4 and under free. There are two added features this year. First, is your ability to pay for a Reserved Seat on the night of your choice for \$30, and second reserve a parking space in a specially identified lot close to the Park for \$10. However there are but 20 seats available each night and a limited amount of parking spaces; so go to our website to get your reserved seat and reserved parking space! Additional information on how to purchase a Reserved Table is available on the TACFA website at [www.tacfa.org](http://www.tacfa.org) or by calling (714) 518-5519.

*For more information on how to support TACFA, become a Broadway in the Park Sponsor, or volunteer for Broadway in the Park 2018, please call (714) 518-5519 or visit [www.tacfa.org](http://www.tacfa.org).*

## Join TACFA!

The Tustin Area Council for Fine Arts (TACFA) is always looking for new board members who are interested in supporting the arts in Tustin through participation in TACFA's programs and events. Board members meet monthly to facilitate TACFA's diverse school and community art programs. Another arm of the TACFA Board is TACFA's ENCORE auxiliary group. ENCORE group members receive special invitations to member-only events, the opportunity to purchase tickets at a group rate discount, and receive the biannual TACFA newsletter. ENCORE members also volunteer at Broadway in the Park. There are endless possibilities and opportunities for you to support TACFA and the arts throughout the year. If you are interested in becoming a TACFA board member or joining the ENCORE group, please contact Eligia Nicolai at (714) 538-3755 or visit [www.tacfa.org](http://www.tacfa.org) to complete the online questionnaire. TACFA is committed to promoting, developing and showcasing the arts in the greater Tustin Area. Get involved in creating community through the arts in Tustin!



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Here we are halfway into the 2018 year and it has been a busy but successful spring for both the TACFA Board and ENCORE members. Our annual Student Art Invitational was held in mid-March at the Clifton Miller Community Center with close to 300 art entries from 9 middle and 4 high schools. With the help of the invitational chair, Betty Carle, the TACFA board/ENCORE members, and members of the City's Parks and Recreation Department, we held a two-day exhibit open to the public followed by a successful evening reception for students, parents and school staff members. Winning student entries were given cash prizes and stipends were awarded to participating teachers. In April, TACFA partnered with Chemers Gallery of Enderle Center for its annual juried art show, The HeART of OC, providing monetary prizes to the winning local artists. May brought us some very talented Tustin area high school seniors who were each awarded a \$1500 college scholarship given for their pursuit of a major in the arts. We ended May with a very entertaining concert given by the Voices of Tustin as they performed the lively tunes from the hit movie, The Greatest Showman. You can check out all these spring events on TACFA's new website at TACFA.org.

The BIG NEWS of spring was the announcement of our upcoming Broadway in the Park show for summer, The Little Mermaid. Before I go any further, I hope you will mark your calendar for earlier dates for this summer's show... August 7th-11th at Peppertree Park. Tickets for this family-friendly show have gone on sale on our website and also at local venues on June 1st. All information about tickets, reserved tables, and a new feature – reserved seats- can be found at TACFA.org. Once again, the fabulous Chance Theater of Anaheim will be our production company. We've even heard rumors that the audience will see mermaids fly...err... swim during the show! Of course, we couldn't do any of the events mentioned in this letter without the dedicated support of our sponsors and contributors. Thank you for remembering TACFA! Together, we continue to Create Community Through the Arts!

Sincerely,

**Kim DeBenedetto, TACFA President**

## Sharyn Cable, The Face of Enderle Center



For more than 23 years, Sharyn Cable has faithfully served as the General Manager of Enderle Center. Under Al Enderle's watchful eye and sometimes reluctant support, Sharyn forged ahead integrating herself in a community she deeply loves and soon recognized the importance of bridging the Center's success with the City of Tustin. Because of Sharyn's dedication and drive, Enderle Center is highly regarded as one of the finest and most exclusive shopping centers in the country, celebrating 40 years of success this year!

Her day starts before the sun comes up, checking on the center and the many surrounding properties. Her responsibilities seem endless and include lease management, collecting rent, dealing with broken sprinkling systems, landscape design, leaky roofs, meeting with legal teams and financial organizations and of course, security to name just a few! She meets with law enforcement officers on a regular basis to keep abreast of the changes and safety issues involving our community.

Sharyn believes there is a critical need to support programs that improve the quality of life for those living in Tustin and realized long ago the impact of giving back. That support extends far beyond financial contributions to the local non profits, supporting education in our schools, the Classic Car Shows and the numerous other organizations that benefit and enrich our community.

You see, her work is never done! It would be highly unusual to attend most any event in Tustin in the evenings or on the weekends and not see her friendly smile and hear her contagious laugh! True to her Italian heritage, she greets everyone like family but, don't be fooled by her tiny stature! This tough, no nonsense Gal is small but mighty when it comes to her work and dedication to the causes she is so passionate about.

The Tustin Area Council for Fine Arts has been a fortunate recipient of Enderle Center's financial support because of Sharyn Cable. She loves and appreciates the arts. For 17 years, Enderle Center has served as a major Broadway in the Park Sponsor, advertiser, ticket sponsor and additionally, has been a major sponsor for TACFA's Student Art Invitational and Viewpoints OC. Sharyn donates beautiful, coveted gift baskets as opportunity prizes for Broadway in the Park with raffle proceeds funding other TACFA fine art programs.

We hope you will join the Tustin Area Council for Fine Arts in thanking our shining star and this amazing woman for her vision and extraordinary contributions to our community. You are loved and respected by so many and a treasured friend to all of Tustin. *Thank you Sharyn!*



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*You're the Best!*

## Student Art Invitational Winners

On March 15, 2018, the Tustin Fine Arts Council presented its annual Student Art Invitational to the public in a two day pop-up art show at the Clifton Miller Community Center. Over 250 pieces of artwork submitted by students from the middle and high schools in the Tustin area were displayed. The various mediums included ceramics, graphic art, photography, oils/acrylics/watercolors and pastels/graphite pen and ink. The art invitational is a juried contest in which students receive cash awards for first, second, third place and honorable mention. In addition, teachers who submitted their student's art work receive a stipend to be used to purchase art supplies for their classes.

**TACFA proudly salutes the 2018 first place winners:**

Graphic Design	Currie Middle School	Lisa de la Rosa
Graphic Design	Beckman High School	Jessica Lee
Mixed Media	Orchard Hills	Amanga Fang
Oils/Acrylics/Watercolors	Beckman	Lilian Pan
Oils/Acrylics/Watercolors	Pioneer	Gina Yoo
Pastels/Graphite/Pen & Ink/Colored Pencil	Foothill High School	Piper Thyder
Pastels/Graphite/Pen & Ink/Colored Pencil	Beckman	Kelly Chung
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Photography	Beckman High School	Julia Vo
Photography	Fairmont - North Tustin	Yara Elatrozy
Ceramics	Foothill High School	Marquel Huston
Ceramics	Currie Middle School	Daisy Llinas
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## Barbara Benson Scholars



### TACFA Announces 2018 Barbara Benson Scholarship

**Beckman High School:** Nikki Herrington, musical theatre, San Diego State University; Lilian Pan, 2D art and fashion design, Parsons School of Design in New York City; Layne Takahashi, art studio, UC Davis; Foothill High School: Joy Bennett, theatre, Cal Baptist College Riverside; Justin Dupre, acting and film, Santa Monica College and UCLA; Isabella Valente, art and biology, Colorado College. Each graduating senior receives a \$1,500 Scholarship to pursue the arts at a college/university. Join TACFA in congratulating these six talented seniors!

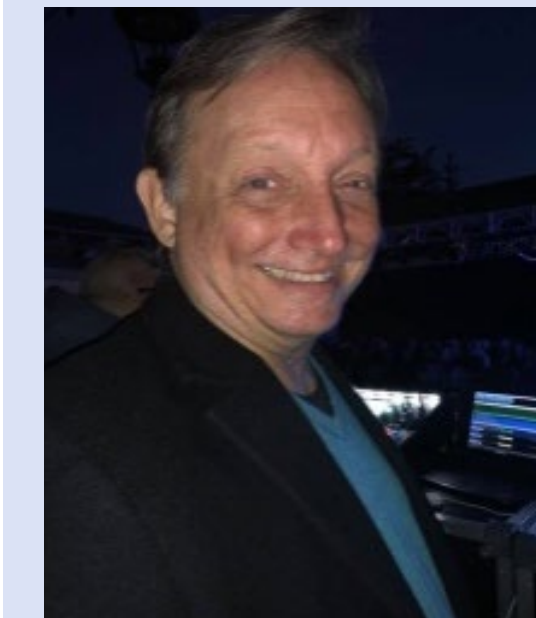
## Tustin's Crown Jewel for Art - 2018 | HeART OC



Congratulations to Chemers Gallery on its 40th year in business at Enderle Center. This "Crown Jewel" of the art scene in Tustin was started by mom, Rita Chemers, and now run by daughter, Karen Raab. The gallery is a full service art gallery with fine and decorative art in all mediums, custom framing, original award winning children's book illustrations and books, contemporary crafts of artisan jewelry, ceramics, fiber, glass and wood, art and frame restoration, and USPAP certified appraisals. There's always something new to stop in and see and regularly scheduled events, workshops, and artists' signings.

Rita is a past TACFA Board Director, and Karen is a current Encore member. Both have supported our fine art programs over the years. TACFA is proud to partner with Chemers Gallery for their annual, The HeArt of Orange County All Media art exhibition. This year 67 artists participated with nearly 100 pieces of artwork juried by LCAD's Jonathan Burke and Hope Railey. Cash prizes totaling \$3900 were awarded in three categories: Contemporary Craft, Contemporary, and Traditional, and additional sponsor prizes were chosen by Sharyn Cable of Enderle Center. The artists' reception was a huge success with a packed house, and was also the occasion for the big "Reveal" of the 2018 Broadway in the Park musical, The Little Mermaid.

You can see all the winning artwork or find out what's coming up by visiting Chemers website/Blog or on Chemers Facebook.



### Voices of Tustin and TACFA Say "Thank you, David Peay!"

This month marked the finale performance by the director of a program dear to TACFA and the Tustin residents. David Peay, a former TACFA Board Member, reestablished TACFA's Community Chorus and renamed it Voices of Tustin, is retiring from TUSD as music teacher and moving out of state with his lovely wife, Faith, one of TUSD acclaimed art teachers. We are sorry to see them leave, but thank them for all that they have done to offer this opportunity to the many vocalists and audience both with their talented performances. Voices of Tustin has been directed since 2011, and Foothill High School acclaimed alumni, Corey Hirsch, has been the accompanist. David's humor was endless and his inventions of special phrases for his group are what made David endearing to all. Remember these? "Once we get the notes, we'll really be able to do something with the song;" "We've sung chords that haven't been written;" "Sing boldly and loudly and make the mistake a good one.....so we can fix it." David also gave us many "singable" moments. But, as David Peay would say "There's no crying in choir!" He would not want us to cry at his leaving. For your endless hours of volunteer service to the families of Tustin, TACFA says a hearty "Thank you, David!" and wishes YOU all the best in your new home.



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