Over $450,000 Raised for LBC's Education and Community Engagement Programs at 16th Annual Art of Dessert

On March 30, 2019, vital funds were raised for the Luther Burbank Memorial Foundation, allowing the Center to continue engaging the North Bay community in the power of the arts, from world class performances to nationally-recognized education programs that change the lives of more than 40,000 children each year. We were proud to honor Sherry and Pete Swayne as 2019 Arts Benefactors of the Year. Since its inception, the Art of Dessert has raised almost $4.5 million to help provide the enrichment and joy of music, dance, drama and laughter.

This year's highlights by the numbers:

- 4 Culinary Celebrities
- 18 Inspiring Young Musicians from LBC's Mariachi Ensemble
- 30 Artisan Desserts
- 275 Generous Guests
- 40,000 Local Youth Educated through the Arts
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A special thank you to our generous event sponsors:

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2019-20 SCHOOL SHOWS

Education programs on-sale Wednesday, August 7 at 9:00am! More shows may be added. Check your inbox this summer for an email with all the details.

11:30am show times may be added based on demand. All information subject to change.
The Rainbow Fish
by Mermaid Theatre of Nova Scotia
Grades 3-8
Friday, October 18, 9:30am
This enchanting adventure about a beautiful, but lonely fish who learns the value of sharing, is based on the beloved books by Marcus Pfister, with blacklight, innovative puppetry, striking scenic effects, original music, and charming narration.

Sewam American Indian Dance Company
Grades K-6
Tuesday, October 22, 9:30am
History and tradition come to life in the dances and customs of the Plains Indians. Back by popular demand, this is a true favorite for students and teachers alike!

Mariachi Barragan
Grades K-6
Wednesday, November 6, 9:30am
Explore the vibrant culture of México with local favorite Mariachi Barragan. Share the history of this musical genre with your students, and instill a greater appreciation for Latino culture which influences California still today.

The Pout-Pout Fish
by TheatreWorksUSA
Grades PK-2
Monday, November 18, 9:30am
Swim along with pouty Mr. Fish and his friends in this new musical adventure! With live actors and puppets, this colorful adaptation of The New York Times best-seller is sure to turn the poutiest of frowns upside down.

A Very Electric Christmas
by Lightwire Theater
Grades 1-6
Monday, December 2, 9:30am
This unique and visually dazzling performance showcases a world of glow-in-the-dark characters created out of neon light. This magical holiday tale about a young bird named Max and his family uses cutting-edge blend of puppetry, technology, and dance.
Pete the Cat
by TheatreWorksUSA
Grades K-5
Monday, December 9, 9:30am
The minute Pete joins the Biddle family, he gets everyone rocking—except for Jimmy who just has too much on his mind to welcome a silly new pet. Soon they’ll learn the value of teamwork as they tackle a problem together in this musical based on the popular books.

Posada Navideña
by Calidanza Dance Company
Grades K-12
Friday, December 13, 9:30am
Featuring traditional Mexican folkloric dance and music, this performance—a beloved Sonoma County holiday tradition—celebrates the wonderful folk culture of Mexico during the Christmas season.

Super Scientific Circus
Grades 1-6
Wednesday, January 29, 9:30am
Using circus skills, magic tricks, boomerangs, bubbles, and bullwhips, this amazing duo returns to our stage to demonstrate and explain complex scientific principles including friction, inertia, static electricity, and magnetism.

Golden Dragon Acrobats
Grades K-12
Tuesday, February 11
9:30am & 11:30am
The Golden Dragon Acrobats showcase breathtaking skill and spellbinding energy in their sell-out performances at LBC.

Llama Llama – Live!
by Bay Area Children’s Theatre
Grades PK-2
Wednesday, February 12, 9:30am
After a long day of adventures at school and the store, Baby Llama can’t wait to put on his red pajamas and get some sleep—except he needs a bedtime story, a kiss goodnight, and a drink of water. This hilarious new musical based on the best-selling books turned Netflix series will warm every Llama and Llama Mama’s heart.
Hangin' with the Giants
by JazzReach
Grades K-4
Thursday, February 13, 9:30am
Meet Jazz music's greatest personalities in this multimedia presentation with a charismatic host and live musicians. With tunes from Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington, Dizzy Gillespie, and more, no one can help but tap their feet and clap their hands along with this show-stopper, back by popular demand!

Yes Indeed!
Celebrating the Great American Blues Tradition
by JazzReach
Grades 4-8
Thursday, February 13, 11:30am
Instill a greater appreciation, awareness, and understanding of the history of the blues in your students with this interactive program showcasing the blues as the core element of all indigenous American music including R&B, funk, gospel, rock, and hip-hop.

We the People
TheatreWorksUSA
Grades 4-8
Tuesday, February 18, 9:30am
This exciting musical revue brings civics lessons to life with rock, R&B, and hip-hop. Students will have a blast learning about the three branches of government, the First Amendment, presidential elections, democracy, the judicial process, and more.

Miss Nelson Has a Field Day
by Dallas Children's Theatre
Grades K-5
Wednesday, February 19, 9:30am
The meanest substitute teacher in the whole world returns to Horace B. Smedley School as coach of the failing and rambunctious football team! Kind-hearted Miss Nelson’s alter ego, Viola Swamp, whips them into shape with her trademark discipline. The team changes soon their attitude, pulls together, and sharpens their skills in this delightful musical based on the sequel to Miss Nelson is Missing.

Alphabet Rockers
Grades PK-2
Tuesday, March 3, 9:30am
Alphabet Rockers create dynamic hip-hop for young ages. With songs about the days of the week, bullying, colors, and eating healthy, this group makes learning fun and interactive!
Cinderella
by Panto Company
Grades K-5
Monday, March 9, 9:30am
The classic fairy tale based on a legend first told more than a thousand years ago comes to life with original modern songs, bursting with more hilarity than you can imagine, and a happy ending!

Click, Clack, Moo
by TheatreWorksUSA
Grades PK-3
Tuesday, March 10, 9:30am
Farmer Brown is at the mercy of his typing cows when they declare a strike. Find out if he gives into the animals’ demands in a hilariously moooo-ving musical about negotiation and compromise based on the Caldecott Honor book.

Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! The Musical!
by the Kennedy Center Theater for Young Audiences On Tour
Grades PK-3
Thursday, April 2, 9:30am
Don’t let the Pigeon star in his own musical production! Based on The New York Times best-selling and Caldecott Honor picture books and starring an innovative mix of actors, puppets, songs, and feathers, this musical is sure to get everyone’s wings flapping.

John Henry
by Mad River Theater Works
Grades 2-8
Tuesday, April 28, 9:30am
No one could match African-American folk hero John Henry’s skill or endurance laying railroad tracks in the late 19th century—until the invention of the steam-powered driver. This production uses storytelling, drama, and music to explore humanity in the face of changing technology and its relevance today.

Dog Man: The Musical
by TheatreWorksUSA
Grades 1-5
Tuesday, May 12, 9:30am
5th grade best buds George and Harold have created comics for years and figure it’s time to write a musical based on their favorite character, the crime-biting sensation, Dog Man! Based on the worldwide best-selling book series from Dav Pilkey, creator of Captain Underpants.