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Tribute Concert to Cynthia Woods Mitchell

April 29 • 7:30 p.m.

Celebrate the life of Cynthia Woods Mitchell and the music she loved at the Houston Symphony's **Tribute Concert to Cynthia Woods Mitchell** April 29 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for orchestra seating. Mezzanine and lawn seating are free courtesy of The Wortham Foundation.

This celebratory event features some of Cynthia Mitchell's favorite works and composers including Mozart's *Overture to the Magic Flute*, Bizet's *Suite from "Carmen,"* Webber's *Interlude from "Evita,"* Tchaikovsky's "Capriccio Italien" and more, all under the direction of Robert Franz.

Cynthia Mitchell first dreamed of creating a performing arts center in The Woodlands while visiting her daughter in Austin in 1976. They were enjoying a performance by Austin Ballet at Zilker Hillside Theatre, eating take-out chicken and sipping wine on a quilt, surrounded by families on blankets, children in swimsuits, frisbees and dogs. She loved the fact that everyone, not just the elite, could

enjoy the performance. She soon convinced her husband, George P. Mitchell, founder of The Woodlands, that a venue such as Zilker would be perfect in The Woodlands.

Under her influence and with her charitable support, The Pavilion also became the Summer Home of the Houston Symphony, the Home Away from Home of Houston Ballet and a presenting venue for Houston Grand Opera.

Prior to the concert, the annual **Hats Off to Reading** FREE literacy celebration takes place in The Pavilion's Event Tent from 5:30 - 6:45 p.m. Children can enjoy face painting, hat making, costumed characters, a book walk and coloring contest.

Pre-concert activities in the North Plaza begin at 6 p.m. with Radio Disney, strolling characters, arts and crafts, an Instrument Petting Zoo and more.

A public dedication of the "Cynthia Woods Mitchell Smokedance Garden" takes place at 7:10 p.m. in the plaza followed by a butterfly release. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m.



CELEBRATE THE ARTS IN 2010!

The Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion announces a season of the extraordinary and unexpected! The 2010 Performing Arts Season encompasses a journey filled with classical music, Broadway hits, patriotic fanfare, acrobatics and more.

The season begins with a special **Tribute Concert to Cynthia Woods Mitchell** that celebrates Mrs. Mitchell's life through music (see the story above for details).

Two great composers, showcased together in **Forces of Nature**, combine for a powerful night of classical music conducted by Maestro Hans Graf. Lively and grand, Mozart's *Symphony No. 14*, or "Jupiter Symphony," is in constant motion from start to finish. Beethoven's *Symphony No. 6*, or "Pastoral Symphony," represents the composer's affinity for nature and his love for taking walks through the Vienna countryside.

Artistry, balance and feats of strength take center stage under

The Pavilion's "big top" for **Cirque de la Symphonie** May 27. Under the direction of Michael Krajewski, the Houston Symphony breathes musical life into every move of world-famous performers including soaring aerial artists, amazing acrobats, a hand balancer and Spanish web artist. For the finale, concertgoers will watch in amazement as strongmen Jarek and Darek perform to Ravel's "Bolero."

On June 10, the Houston Symphony travels across Europe with a family concert for all to enjoy. With Robert Franz in the driver's seat, buckle your seat belts for an exciting **European Adventure**.

The free **Texas Music Festival Orchestra** returns June 18 featuring 100 gifted musicians from around the world. Under the direction of Horst Foerster, the orchestra performs Wagner's *Overture to Die fliegende Holländer* ("The Flying Dutchman"),



Picnics at all performing arts events welcome (no outside beverages).

Bartok's *Concerto for Viola and Orchestra* and Berlioz's "Symphony Fantastique." The finalists and winner of the Cynthia Woods Mitchell Young Artist Competition will be announced.

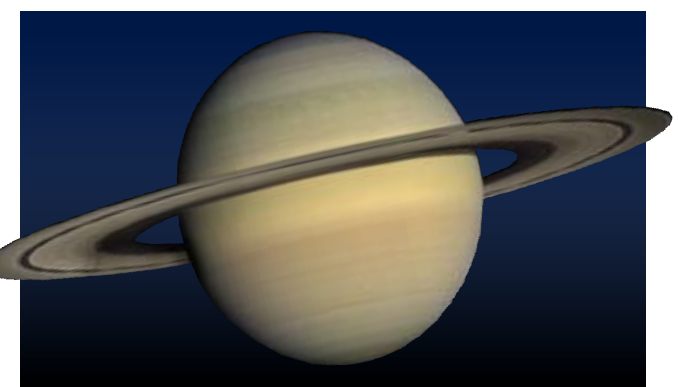
Returning July 3 is the annual **Star-Spangled Salute**. This free Independence Eve spectacular features the Houston Symphony in a selection of patriotic favorites. Led by Principal Pops Conductor Michael Krajewski, the Symphony performs a variety of traditional favorites, American classics, sing-alongs, and of course, Tchaikovsky's "1812 Overture" complete with cannons from atop the hill.

Houston Ballet's **Three for the Ages** Aug. 20 takes the audience on a journey through time and history. "Fancy Free" (1944) is set in New York City on a hot summer night and portrays three sailors on shore leave in the 1940s. "Apollo" (1928) traces the birth of the god of music, poetry and prophecy and his education by three muses. And "Falling" (2005) is a classical, playful piece for five couples set to the music of Mozart's "Salzburg Symphonies."

Similar to the lights of Broadway, The Pavilion lights up under the stars for **Broadway Showstoppers** Sept. 2. With show-stopping numbers from the latest generation of Broadway musicals such as "Wicked," "Rent" and "Mamma Mia," conductor Michael Krjewski will have you tapping your toes

and dancing in the aisles. Joining the Symphony Sept. 2 is the Gay Men's Chorus of Houston.

Under the direction of Maestro Hans Graf, the Houston Symphony and The Pavilion present **The Planets—An HD Odyssey** Sept. 30. For this production, the Houston Symphony collaborated with NASA, the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL), and award-winning producer/director Duncan Copp to craft a film of the latest, high-definition planetary images that accompany a live performance of Gustav Holst's suite, "The Planets." The beautiful and mystifying score is performed while the film is shown on a 24-foot screen above the stage.



You and your family have a ghoulish invitation to join us at **Hocus Pocus Pops** Oct. 21 for a "spooktacular" Halloween event featuring tricks, treats and enchanting music. Daddies, mummies and little ghosts and goblins can dress up in their favorite Halloween costumes. An imaginative blend of chilling music and spirited fun will spook you into the season.

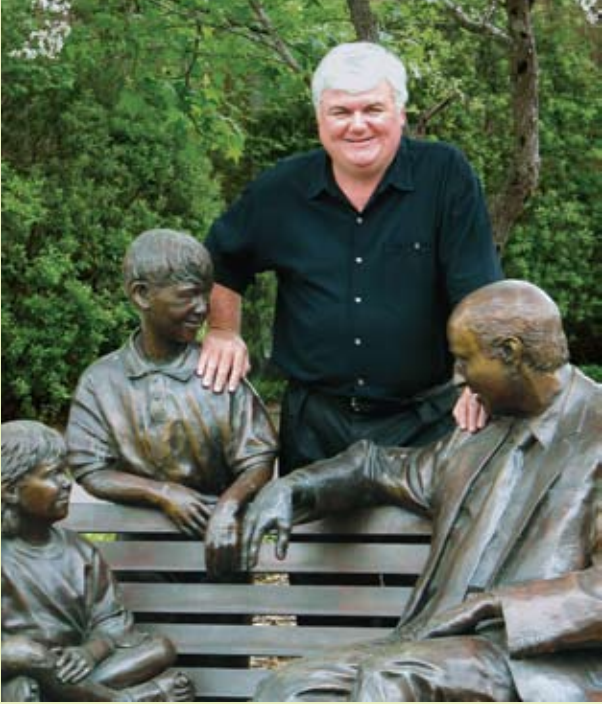
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Tickets for all of these performances are \$15 for orchestra seating. Mezzanine and lawn seating are free. Lawn chairs are free.

The Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion's 2010 Performing Arts Season

Presented by The Woodlands Development Company and sponsored by Donoho's Jewellers, Audi of America, official automobile of The Pavilion, The Woodlands Convention & Visitors Bureau, Houston Community Newspapers, The Pavilion Partners, The Wortham Foundation, and Continental Airlines, official airline of The Pavilion.

The North Plaza is sponsored by Fidelity Investments and Market Street-The Woodlands.



Welcome to The Pavilion's 21st season of the celebration of the arts. Our 2009 season was a huge success following a \$9.5 million renovation and expansion. More than 400,000 guests attended events in 2009 and we notched our 8-millionth visitor since opening in 1990. The Pavilion finished the year ranked sixth out of the top 100 amphitheaters in the world based on the number of tickets sold in 2009.

In December, we were saddened to lose Cynthia Woods Mitchell, our visionary and founder. Her dedication to the arts will guide us to continue to offer the best in performing arts. On April 29, the Houston Symphony presents a special concert celebrating the life of Cynthia Woods Mitchell through music. This concert will include some of Cynthia's favorite musical selections. Mezzanine and lawn seats are free for this performance.

In the North Plaza, we are creating a landscaped area called the "Cynthia Woods Mitchell Smokedance Garden" in Cynthia's memory. This specially designed space will feature the Smokedance sculpture, new landscaping, and seating for our guests to enjoy. Funded by the Mitchell family, the public dedication of this garden area will take place before the concert April 29.

Thank you for your past support and I look forward to seeing you at The Pavilion this season.

Jerry MacDonald
President and CEO

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For more information about season tickets, joining The Pavilion Partners or participating in our educational outreach programs, call 281-364-3010. Visit www.woodlandscenter.org for details.

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For information on guests with wheelchairs, hearing or visual impairments, call 281-364-3010.

Sponsor Spotlight

In each issue of CenterStage, we turn the spotlight onto one of our sponsors, a gesture of thanks for their invaluable contributions to the many things we work hard to accomplish.

The Pavilion Partners is All About Bringing People and the Arts Together

The Pavilion Partners, the official volunteer organization of The Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, is a dedicated group of volunteers who share a love for the performing arts. This dynamic group offers opportunities to volunteer, support the fine arts and network with others who have similar interests.

As a Partner, you can be an event volunteer, a performing arts volunteer, help plan fund-raisers/special events, promote the Partners scholarship program, network, or simply support the organization by making a donation.

"The Pavilion Partners organization is very passionate about the mission of The Center for the Performing Arts at The Woodlands, which is to provide diverse, high-quality performing arts events to a regional audience," said Keith Ferry, Partners president. "We enjoy participating in the numerous educational and community outreach programs that bring new and young audiences to The Pavilion. We feel very lucky to be part of such a great organization."

Partners is an integral part of The Pavilion and its education and fund-raising programs. Each year, Partners contributes more



than \$100,000 to The Pavilion through three fund-raisers including the annual Wine Dinner & Auction, Swing for the Arts Golf Tournament and the Pre-Concert Dinner & Fund-Raiser.

"The best part of raising funds for educational outreach is seeing the happy faces of the children. One needs only to attend a children's event at The Pavilion to enjoy the benefits of our efforts," Ferry said.

Partners also supports fine arts through its scholarship program. Since its inception, more than \$400,000 in scholarships have been awarded to high school seniors or renewing college students in music, voice, theatre, dance, visual arts and graphic arts.

In 2009, Partners volunteers worked more than 5,000 hours at The Pavilion at numerous educational events, performing arts concerts, contemporary concerts and fund-raisers. These volunteer hours save The Pavilion hundreds of thousands of dollars every year.

If you are interested in joining Partners or making a donation, visit www.woodlandscenter.org/partners.

Off Stage

The Pavilion Helps Students Reach for the Stars

Every year, The Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion hosts approximately 40,000 students and their families through a variety of educational outreach programs. **Hats Off to Reading, Musical Scores** and **Fine Arts Education Day** are just three of The Pavilion's educational programs taking place during the next two months.

Hats Off to Reading April 29 is held in conjunction with the Houston Symphony's **Tribute Concert to Cynthia Woods Mitchell** at The Pavilion. **Hats Off to Reading** is a free event sponsored by the Reading Odyssey Committee, a community coalition that encourages students to develop a lifelong love of reading. Children can take home a free book and participate in literacy-based activities such as a book walk, hat making, and face painting. The event takes place from 5:30 – 6:45 p.m. in The Pavilion's Event Tent, followed by activities and entertainment from 6:45 – 7:15 p.m. in the North Plaza. Guests are invited to stay



Photo by JD Villaseñor



Photo by Ted Washington

and enjoy the free concert at 7:30 p.m. Reading Odyssey is a partnership between Montgomery County Memorial Library System, Conroe ISD librarians, St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School Library, Chick-fil-A, Scholastic Books and The Pavilion.

Musical Scores, one of The Pavilion's signature educational programs, primarily serves "at-risk" middle school students who earn the opportunity to attend a special event and concert at The Pavilion by displaying model behavior and achieving specific scholastic goals. Administered by teachers and counselors from schools throughout the Greater Houston area, students are rewarded when they reach their goal or

"musical score." They are treated to a free performance, t-shirt and lunch at The Pavilion. Approximately 6,000 students are scheduled to attend **Musical Scores** May 4.

On May 18, nearly 6,300 students are slated to attend **Fine Arts Education Day: A David Dewhurst Symphony Explorer Concert**. This program was created for Conroe ISD fourth grade students to experience orchestral music and learn about instruments in band and orchestra. The purpose of the program is to expose students to music before they enter fifth grade and have to choose an elective. CISD sixth grade band and orchestra students also are invited to attend. The concert features the Houston Symphony, under the skillful direction of Brett Mitchell. Titled "Six Flags Over Texas," the program features music about, or by composers from, the countries of which Texas has been a part. This free program is produced in conjunction with Conroe ISD and supports the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS).

For more information, visit www.woodlandscenter.org.



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ShowTime

ShowTime is a list of events scheduled for The Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, including start times and ticket prices. Information is subject to change. Please check our Web site for the latest event information.



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| <p>Apr. 29 Houston Symphony • 7:30 p.m.
Tribute Concert to Cynthia Woods Mitchell
Robert Franz, conductor
\$15 orchestra seating / FREE mezzanine and lawn seating courtesy of The Wortham Foundation</p> <p>May 1 Van Morrison • 8 p.m.
\$350, \$250, \$165, \$125, \$95 & \$65 Reserved / \$35 Lawn</p> <p>May 2 Buzzfest XXIV • 12 p.m.
with Limp Bizkit, Three Days Grace, 30 Seconds to Mars, Seether, Switchfoot, Metric and more
SOLD OUT!</p> <p>May 14 Houston Symphony • 8 p.m.
Forces of Nature
Hans Graf, conductor
\$15 orchestra seating / FREE mezzanine and lawn seating courtesy of The Wortham Foundation</p> <p>May 15 Styx, Foreigner and Kansas • 7 p.m.
\$125, \$85, \$65, \$47.50, \$35 & \$25 Reserved / \$20 Lawn</p> <p>May 16 Tom Petty & the Heartbreakers • 7:30 p.m.
with Joe Cocker
\$133.50 & \$107.50 Reserved / \$43.50 Lawn</p> <p>May 20 Jimmy Buffett & The Coral Reefer Band • 8 p.m.
\$136 & \$86 Reserved / Lawn SOLD OUT!</p> <p>May 27 Houston Symphony • 8 p.m.
Cirque de la Symphonie
Michael Krajewski, conductor
\$15 orchestra seating / FREE mezzanine and lawn seating courtesy of Woodforest National Bank and Anadarko Petroleum Corporation</p> | <p>June 10 Houston Symphony • 8 p.m.
European Adventure
Robert Franz, conductor
\$15 orchestra seating / FREE mezzanine and lawn seating courtesy of The Wortham Foundation</p> <p>June 11 Iron Maiden • 7:30 p.m.
with Dream Theater
\$95, \$75 & \$55 Reserved / \$35 Lawn</p> <p>June 18 Texas Music Festival Orchestra • 8 p.m.
Horst Foerster, conductor
Rita Porfiris, viola
FREE event</p> <p>June 25 Sting • 8 p.m.
with the Royal Philharmonic Concert Orchestra
\$209.50, \$134.50 & \$84.50 Reserved</p> <p>June 26 Chicago & The Doobie Brothers • 7:30 p.m.
\$200, \$85, \$45 & \$35 Reserved / \$25 Lawn</p> <p>July 3 Houston Symphony • 8 p.m.
Star-Spangled Salute
Michael Krajewski, conductor
FREE event presented by The Woodlands Development Company</p> <p>July 24 Robert Plant & the Band of Joy • 8 p.m.
\$150, \$95, \$75, \$50, \$25 & \$20 Reserved</p> <p>Aug. 18 Jack Johnson • 7 p.m.
\$55 Reserved / \$35 Lawn</p> <p>Aug. 20 Houston Ballet • 8 p.m.
Three for the Ages
\$15 orchestra seating / FREE mezzanine and lawn seating courtesy of The Wortham Foundation and George P. Mitchell</p> | <p>Sept. 2 Houston Symphony • 8 p.m.
Broadway Showstoppers
Michael Krajewski, conductor
Gay Men's Chorus of Houston
\$15 orchestra seating / FREE mezzanine and lawn seating courtesy of The Wortham Foundation</p> <p>Sept. 8 Paramore • 6:30 p.m.
with Tegan and Sara
\$39.50, \$35 and \$32.50 Reserved / \$20 Lawn</p> <p>Sept. 10 The Dave Matthews Band • 7 p.m.
with Black Joe Lewis and the Honeybears
\$70 Reserved / \$40 Lawn</p> <p>Sept. 30 Houston Symphony • 8 p.m.
The Planets-An HD Odyssey
Hans Graf, conductor
Women of the Houston Symphony Chorus
\$15 orchestra seating / FREE mezzanine and lawn seating courtesy of Audi of America</p> <p>Oct. 21 Houston Symphony • 7:30 p.m.
Hocus Pocus Pops
Robert Franz, conductor
\$15 orchestra seating / FREE mezzanine and lawn seating courtesy of H-E-B</p> <p>Nov. 13 15th Annual Childrens Festival • 10 a.m.
\$8 in advance / \$10 at door
presented by Devon Energy</p> <p>Nov. 14 15th Annual Childrens Festival • 12 p.m.
\$8 in advance / \$10 at door
presented by Devon Energy</p> |
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Ticket Information

Prices do not include service charge. Tickets are available at all [ticketmaster](#) outlets, including Fiesta, select FYE, Ritmo Latino and H-E-B locations and Media Magic, by calling 1-800-745-3000, or online at www.ticketmaster.com. Tickets also can be purchased at The Pavilion Ticket Office Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. and on event days through intermission. The Ticket Office is located at the north entrance to The Pavilion at 2005 Lake Robbins Drive in The Woodlands. For more information, call 281-363-3300 or visit www.woodlandscenter.org. Prepaid, preferred parking is available in the on-site Town Center Garage located along Six Pines Drive. Parking is \$5 per vehicle for most performing arts events and \$15 per vehicle for most contemporary events. Tickets for on-site parking can be purchased in advance at all [ticketmaster](#) locations and The Pavilion Ticket Office. Some service charges may apply. Advance purchase is not required, but guarantees a space the day of the show.

Be the Biggest Winner!

Step right up for a chance to win big at The Pavilion's performing arts concerts. Fidelity Investments and Tommy Bahama offer guests chances to win at all performing art events.

Fidelity Investments holds a "Seat Exchange" where guests can register to upgrade their seats to center orchestra at that evening's performance. Guests who plan to sit in mezzanine, lawn or even orchestra seating can win the opportunity to exchange their seats for Fidelity's special seats. The seat exchange offer is for four guests.

"We love coming out to The Pavilion each year and offering the Seat Exchange opportunity to guests," said Robert Schneider, vice president/branch manager Houston North Investor Center for Fidelity Investments. "Fidelity is pleased to



continue its association with The Pavilion and is proud to be part of the outstanding performing arts community in The Woodlands."

Tommy Bahama offers guests the opportunity to register for the "Best Seats in the House!" The prize package includes four VIP tickets, VIP parking and dinner for four catered by Tommy Bahama at the next performing arts event. All you need to do is go to the Tommy Bahama booth in The Pavilion's North Plaza before each performing arts event to register to win this fabulous evening.

Join the fun at The Pavilion this season. You just might be the next biggest winner!

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The Pavilion on Top in 2009



Photo by Ted Washington

According to the March 2010 edition of *Venues Today* magazine, The Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion ranked second in its listings of the top venues with 15,001 capacity or more based on tickets sold in 2009. The Pavilion's ticket sales totaled 346,519 for concerts played between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31, 2009.

The Pavilion had 14 sold-out concerts in 2009 including The Dave Matthews Band May 1, Kenny Chesney May 3, Buzzfest XXII May 10, No Doubt May 31, Aerosmith July 17, Coldplay July 22, Def Leppard Aug. 19, Incubus Aug. 21, Lil' Wayne Aug. 22, Crosby, Stills and Nash Aug. 28, Depeche Mode Aug. 30, Nickelback Sept. 12, Blink-182 Sept. 24 and Buzzfest XXIII Oct. 24.

Venues Today is a leading international trade publication that covers the business side of entertainment and sports, particularly as it relates to venues. Its readers include managers, owners, operators and bookers of arenas, amphitheatres, stadiums, performing arts centers, convention centers, fairgrounds and equestrian centers.

For a complete list of concerts and events scheduled in 2010, see ShowTime in this issue.

Single Ladies...

Ladies (single or not) can bid on the bachelor of their dreams at the "Frosted" bachelor auction and help raise money for the arts.

Join Wine & Food Week's "Frosted" June 18 where The Pavilion is the beneficiary of a unique bachelor auction. Ten of the area's most eligible bachelors will be auctioned off with exclusive "Frosted" date night packages. The Pavilion is receiving 100 percent of the funds raised from the auction.

"Frosted" takes place at the Avia Hotel in Market Street from 7 - 10 p.m. The night shines with the bachelor auction and a fashion show by Chloe Dao, winner of Bravo's "Project Runway 2." Diamonds are a girl's best friend at "Frosted" with a jewelry showcase where you can get your photo taken with a select piece



Put Your Hands Up

of stunning diamonds, rubies, topaz, opals and other incredible gemstones. Ladies can sip on frosted martinis and champagne and delight in frosted cupcakes. Fashionistas can get sparkly makeovers and more.

"We are excited to be partnering with a great organization like Wine Week in The Woodlands. The money raised from the bachelor auction will greatly benefit our educational outreach programs and the event will raise awareness of our mission," said Christine Scully, director of development for The Pavilion. "We really appreciate the bachelors who are participating in the auction on behalf of The Pavilion. It's going to be a fun night for everyone!"

The Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion is home to The Center for the Performing Arts at The Woodlands, a nonprofit 501 (c)(3) organization. The Pavilion offers a diverse assortment of educational and community outreach programs that touch the lives of nearly 40,000 students and their families annually throughout the Greater Houston area.

Sip, sparkle and shine with your friends. This unforgettable evening promises to be dazzling. Tickets are \$50 per person. For more information, visit www.wineandfoodweek.com.

BE TREATED LIKE A ROCK STAR!

Pavilion Season Tickets Still Available

Don't like long lines? Hate to look for parking? How about lounging in the VIP club? Or are you looking for the perfect way to entertain clients? What about a special treat for your employees or yourself? Look no further...Pavilion season tickets are the answer to your entertainment needs.

The Pavilion offers one of the world's greatest entertainment experiences right in your own backyard. From classical music to rock, jazz, country, opera and ballet, The Pavilion offers something for everyone.

Season tickets for The Pavilion's 2010 Performing Arts series are available for only \$150 per seat. Season tickets include VIP orchestra-level seating to all Houston Symphony concerts and the Houston Ballet at The Pavilion, as well as preferred seating for the Houston Symphony's **Star-Spangled Salute** and **Texas Music Festival Orchestra** performances, VIP on-site parking and admission to the Woodforest Bank VIP Club for each show.

Packages that include the Performing Arts series plus all The Pavilion's exciting contemporary concerts start at \$4,000 per seat. Along with having the best seats to all Pavilion concerts, packages include VIP parking, VIP club access, a private entrance into the venue, e-mail updates and the exclusive opportunity to purchase tickets to other Live Nation events in the Houston area before they go on sale to the general public.

Season and box seat tickets are the easiest way to make sure you have the best seats for all The Pavilion's great live music in 2010. Experience world-class entertainment as only The Pavilion can offer.

For more information about 2010 season ticket packages (contemporary and Performing Arts combined), contact

JD Villaseñor, director of premium seat sales, at 281-210-1121 or jvillasenor@woodlandscenter.org. If you are interested in Performing Arts series subscriptions only, contact Josie Reeves, ticket office manager, at 281-210-1127 or jreeves@woodlandscenter.org.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

According to the Americans for the Arts national public opinion survey, 91 percent of respondents believe the arts are vital to a well-rounded education. Those polled also agree that arts education is important enough to get personally involved, yet only a small percentage get involved because they simply do not know how. So, how can you get involved in our community?



The Pavilion Partners is the official volunteer organization of The Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion and we are fortunate to have The Pavilion right in our own backyard with many opportunities for volunteers to promote the arts for children of all ages.

The Pavilion Partners assists The Pavilion in a number of ways. Partners offers exciting, hands-on activities before most performing arts events including the arts and crafts booth and Instrument Petting Zoo.

Partners volunteers also get the chance to greet thousands of school children and families for The Pavilion's educational outreach programs each year. Events including Musical Scores, Fine Arts Education Day and Children's Festival are part of that. Partners also contributes financially through fund-raising events such as the annual Wine Dinner & Auction, Swing for the Arts Golf Tournament and Pre-Concert Dinner & Fund-Raiser to support our belief in the importance of "bringing people and the arts together."

So, how can you help? Partners is currently seeking interested volunteers for The Pavilion's 2010 season. For more information, visit www.woodlandscenter.org/partners.

I encourage you to choose this opportunity to get involved in supporting and promoting the arts.

Keith Ferry

Keith Ferry
The Pavilion Partners President

For more information about Partners, please visit www.woodlandscenter.org/partners.



The Pavilion Partners recognized 16 members for 10 years of membership and dedication to the organization at its Annual Meeting Feb. 19, 2010. Members were presented certificates signifying 10 years of membership in Partners.

Members who were honored are: Nelda and Jim Blair, Bunny and David Benditz, Louise and Henry Bethea, Gaye and Bill Craig, Linda Eissler, Annice and John Nanninga, Sandra and Matthew Novak, Arlene and Sol Sachs and Nancy Watts.



The Pavilion Partners wined and dined 150 guests on the Main Stage at The Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion for the 12th Annual Wine Dinner & Auction March 28. The event benefited The Pavilion Partners Fine Arts Scholarship Program and The Pavilion's educational outreach programs. Northern Trust was honored at the event for its generous support of the arts.



FORE the Arts!
Swing for the Arts Golf Tournament
Set for June 7

Golfers tee off June 7 at The Pavilion Partners **Sixth Annual Swing for the Arts Golf Tournament** at The Woodlands Country Club Palmer Course. Registration begins at 10:30 a.m. followed by a shotgun start at noon. The Scoreboard Happy Hour starts at 4:30 p.m. followed by the awards presentation. Proceeds from the tournament benefit The Pavilion's performing arts events and educational outreach programs.

The format for the tournament is an 18-hole, four-man scramble in which participants have two options for tournament play: The Pavilion Cup Challenge or the Performing Arts Challenge. Prizes are awarded to the top three teams in both categories.

The Pavilion Cup Challenge is available for company-sponsored teams that compete for the title of "The Pavilion Cup" champion. The winning team holds the title for one year and the company name is displayed on "The Pavilion Cup" at The Pavilion year-round.

The entry fee for a team of four in The Pavilion Cup Challenge is \$1,250 and includes four tee packages, lunch, Scoreboard Happy Hour, dinner and tournament signage on the course.

For individuals and groups not competing for "The Pavilion Cup," the entry fee for a team of four is \$1,000 and for individuals is \$250 - both include tee packages, lunch, Scoreboard Happy Hour and dinner.

Register before April 30 to take advantage of the Early Bird Special - \$200 off the registration fee (\$50 off for individual players).



Pavilion Cup winner Wing Aviation at the 5th Annual Swing for the Arts Golf Tournament.

All tournament participants can participate in the **John Mahaffey Golf Clinic** at the tournament. Mahaffey is a professional golfer who recorded 10 victories during his regular PGA career. Golfers also can compete for individual prizes including closest to the pin, longest drive and hole in one. Putting and chipping contests also are held prior to the shotgun start.

Sponsorship packages are available ranging from a \$200 hole sponsorship to a \$10,000 tournament sponsorship.

Major sponsors of the 2010 **Swing for the Arts Golf Tournament** include Audi of America, Chili's Bar and Grill, Houston Community Newspapers, Kilgore Industries, The Pepsi Bottling Company, Willie's Grill and Icehouse and The Woodlands Country Club and Silver Eagle Distributors.

For more information, visit www.woodlandscenter.org or contact Christine Scully at 281-210-1102 or cscully@woodlandscenter.org.

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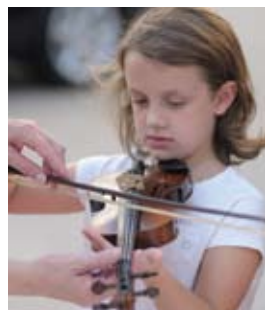
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The Pavilion Partners hosts an arts and crafts booth where kids can get creative and experience the performing arts through an arts and crafts project that directly relates to that evening's the performance.



Partners also hosts the Instrument Petting Zoo giving children an opportunity to experience the fun side music. Kids can see, touch and play violins, trombones, flutes and various percussion instruments. The Instrument Petting Zoo provides kids with a broader understanding of an orchestral performance.



While the kids are working hard on their craft or playing one of the instruments at the petting zoo, adults can listen to Pavilion Talk, an informative pre-concert discussion led by noted music scholar and college professor Ira J. Black. Pavilion Talk offers insight into the evening's program and historical background on the music and composers.

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