

2009-2010 Season Membership Sign Up.

Brazosport Fine Arts Council Center Annual Fund Campaign



BRAZOSPORT CENTER STAGES

The oldest continuing community theater on the Texas Gulf Coast presents outstanding productions, both plays and musicals, at an affordable ticket price with the help of its many on-stage and off-stage volunteers and you, our members. Ticket prices for plays: \$11 for adults, \$9 for children (under 12); for musicals: \$15 for adults, \$10 for children.

Membership Benefits: Name listed in all programs, advance reservation privileges, tickets held until curtain, invitation to the annual Patron and Volunteer Appreciation and Awards Night and all special events, discounts and early registration for workshops, including Summer At The Center Childrens' Theater workshops.

Membership Level Benefits noted above plus:

Individual	\$75	1 ticket to each show
Patron	\$150	2 tickets to each show
Sponsor	\$300	4 tickets to each show
Benefactor	\$500	6 tickets to each show
Life	\$2,100	2 tickets to all productions for life (payable over 3 years)

Audience Development & Education Outreach

• Complement your membership by donating an additional \$10, \$25, \$50 or \$100 toward our campaign to expand Brazosport Center Stages' membership base as well as provide educational opportunities for our community. Fill in any amount to ensure Brazosport Center Stages' ability to reach new audiences and volunteers.

2009 - 2010 Theater Season highlights:

September: *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* by Tennessee Williams, directed by Wes Copeland

November: *Intimate Apparel* by Lynn Nottage, directed by Jean Warren

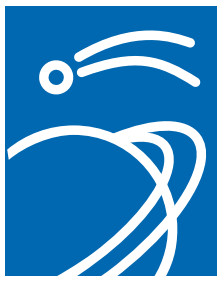
December: *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* by Barbara Robinson, a Brazosport High School production directed by Carol Kinder

February: *Our Town* by Thornton Wilder, directed by Craig Fritz

April: *Enchanted April* by Matthew Barber, directed by Judi James

May: *Love Letters* by Albert Ramsdell Gurney, directed by Gail Harris

July: *Guys and Dolls* music and lyrics written by Frank Loesser and book by Jo Swerling and Abe Burrows, directed by David Hill



BRAZOSPORT PLANETARIUM

The Planetarium features a 30-foot domed ceiling for viewing entertaining and educational shows. Programs for the general public are most Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. and during other special events at the Planetarium. Private shows can be arranged by calling 979-265-3376.

The Planetarium is a working high school classroom where BISD juniors and seniors take astronomy classes. It is also a part of the science education curriculum for many area school groups. Students can also enjoy hands-on science during Summer at The Center Spectacular Science classes for kids.

The Planetarium sponsors the Brazosport Astronomy Club, which offers telescope viewing and Star Parties at The Center and in the community. Club membership is free and open to all. For information call 979-265-3376.

Membership Categories and Benefits

All members receive a 10% discount at the Planetarium Lobby Gift Shop.

Individual	\$25	Single admission to all shows
Family	\$35	Family admission to all shows
Patron	\$50	Admission to all shows plus • Recognition in the Planetarium Lobby • \$10 off Summer at The Center Spectacular Science classes
Sponsor	\$100	Patron benefits plus • Free show admission for guests
Show Sponsor	\$350	Patron benefits plus • Free show admission for guests • Recognized in Planetarium shows
Life	\$1,000	Sponsor benefits plus • Lifetime admission to shows • Recognition on the Benefactor Board in the Planetarium Lobby

Membership fees above price of tickets are tax-deductible.

Non-member admission to Planetarium shows is \$4 adults, \$3 children. Shows change monthly. Call 979-265-3376 for more information about this season's shows or visit www.bcfas.org.



BRAZOSPORT MUSEUM OF NATURAL SCIENCE

Named one of the top 10 museums in Texas by *Frommer's Texas Travel Guide 2004*, the Museum hosts 15,000 visitors each year from nearly every continent, as well as children from every BISD school and many surrounding school districts.

The Museum is home to the largest seashell collection in the south, with more than 15,000 on display. In 1987, the Museum sponsored legislation creating The State Shell of Texas designation for the Lightning Whelk. Other exhibits include fossils of dinosaurs, mammoth bones, a megalodon jaw and a full-size mosasaur; rocks and minerals; Texas coastal wildlife; extensive jade and ivory collections, and a Discovery Corner for kids.

Throughout the year the Museum hosts school groups, Mondays at the Museum, and Dinosaur Day. Educational opportunities also include workshops, lectures, school tours, and traveling exhibits.

Memberships:

Individual	\$10
Family	\$20
Patron	\$50
Benefactor	\$100
Sustaining	\$250
Life membership	\$1,000

Membership fees are 100% tax-deductible.

The Museum is open Tues. - Sat. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. • Sun. 2 - 5 p.m. and during Center Stages productions.

The Museum is staffed by volunteers. Call The Museum at 979-265-7831 to find out how you can help.

Affiliate groups:

Brazosport Archaeological Society
Brazosport Birders & Naturalists
Sea Shell Searchers of Brazoria County



BRAZOSPORT FINE ARTS COUNCIL

BRAZOSPORT FINE ARTS COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP & CENTER ANNUAL OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE FUND DRIVE. The operation, maintenance and upkeep of The Center are funded and managed by the Brazosport Fine Arts Council (BFAC). BFAC is a volunteer, non-profit organization. Volunteers play a major role in the operation of The Center and in managing programs and events, and BFAC employs an administrative staff and maintenance staff to run the day-to-day operation and maintenance of the facility.

BFAC depends on donations from the community to fund the \$600,000 annual expense of operating and maintaining The Center.

You can help through:

- BFAC Memberships
- Endowment Fund Gifts
- In-kind Gifts of goods and services needed by The Center.

BFAC Memberships

Individual	\$10 - \$99
Century	\$100 - \$499
Patron	\$500 - \$999
Sponsor	\$1,000 - \$4,999
Benefactor	\$5,000 - \$9,999
Sustaining	\$10,000 or more

BFAC Endowment Fund

Gifts in any amount to the Endowment Fund are held in perpetuity. Earnings provide an important source of operating and maintenance funds for The Center. Your gift can be in the form of cash, stocks, bonds, property or other assets and can benefit The Center and community as part of your estate planning.

In-Kind Services

Please call Administrator Orren Gaspard at The Center, 979-265-7661 to find out how you might help in this way.

All gifts are 100% deductible and recognized in The Center Lobby for the season.



Center Staff member Jordan Lara in front of the BFAC Donor Board in The Center Lobby.



BRAZOSPORT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Performances are at The Clarion at Brazosport College. Concert tickets are \$12 for adults and \$8 for students. View seating chart at www.bcfas.org.

Membership Categories & Benefits:

Member	\$55	1 season ticket. Program recognition
Subscriber	\$110	2 season tickets. Program recognition
Patron	\$190	2 season tickets. Program recognition. Gala invitation
Benefactor	\$400	4 season tickets. Program recognition. Gala invitation
Maestro	\$1,000	6 season tickets. Program recognition. Gala invitation
Concert Underwriter	\$2,500	8 season tickets. Program recognition. Gala invitation
Flex Tickets	\$60	6 tickets that may be used in any configuration for any concert. Seats are assigned on a best available basis.

Membership fees above price of tickets are tax-deductible.

2009-2010 Season "Timeless Treasures"

Saturday, October 10 • Pops Concert: "Broadway Bounce"

Saturday, November 14 • Subscription I: "Baroque Masterpieces" "Gloria" by Vivaldi with Brazosport College Choir; Brandenburg Concerto No. 3 by Bach; Horn Concerto No.1 by Mozart, soloist Susan Zollers, Horn

Saturday, December 12 • Holiday Concert: "A Southern Christmas." Collaboration with the Brazosport Young Peoples' Chorus and selected students from Rasco Middle School Choirs

Sunday, February 21 • Family Concert: "It's a Zoo" Carnival of the Animals by Saint-Saens

Saturday, March 27 • Subscription II: "Symphonic Jewels" Young Artist Winner (TBA); Symphony No. 2 by Wetz

Saturday, May 22 • Subscription III: "Masters of Melody" Piano Concerto No.1 by Brahms, soloist Steve Hunt, Piano; "Death and Transfiguration" by Strauss

Auditions for the 2009-2010 Brazosport Symphony Orchestra will be held Sunday, August 30, 2009, 2 - 4 p.m. at The Clarion. For audition information call 979-285-3963.



BRAZOSPORT ART LEAGUE

The Brazosport Art League (BAL), is a non-profit organization of more than 250 members and artists. BAL offers ten shows annually in the Art Gallery at The Center. Internationally recognized artists, as well as regional and local artists, display a wide variety of works for public enjoyment. Exhibition works are often for sale. Art League satellite galleries, with rotating exhibits of BAL member works, are found throughout the community.

In the adjacent Art Studio, BAL members meet weekly for communal artistic effort and fellowship. Workshops, demonstrations, and life drawing classes are routinely offered. For children, BAL hosts Summer At The Center Art Odyssey, Any Kid Kan workshops for children with disabilities, art experiences for BISD third- and fifth-grade students, art competitions and college scholarships.

Membership Benefits:

Discounted prices for classes/activities; exhibit art in the Members Only and Open Juried Shows; exhibit and sell artwork year-round in the Thelma Martin Members Gallery & Art Shop; use of the Art Studio during Paint-In days; membership meetings and art demos; newsletter; access to an art reference library.

Memberships:

College Student	\$5	Age 18-21 & currently enrolled
Artist Single Membership	\$35	Before Sept. 1, 2009 \$40 After Sept. 1, 2009 \$20 After March 1, 2010 first-time members
Artist & Family	\$40	Before Sept. 1, 2009 \$45 After Sept. 1, 2009
Friend of the Arts	\$50	
Exhibit Sponsor	\$375	Call Amy Chen, 979-265-9764
Life Membership	\$1,000	

Membership fees are 100% tax-deductible.

Art Gallery Hours:

Tues. - Sat. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. • Sun. 2 - 5 p.m. and during Center Stages productions

The Gallery is staffed by volunteers who work one morning, or one afternoon a month. Call The Center office for more information: 979-265-7661.

Gallery: 979-265-7971 • Studio: 979-265-1582 • www.bcfas.org

