



This year, bergenPAC's Board of Trustees is pleased to present you with our FREE 2021 annual gala – a star-studded livestream benefit concert to raise funds to save our stage and save our school.



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SAT, MARCH 13, 2021
7:30 PM ET



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Cast of Broadway's *Ain't Too Proud*

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A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT & CEO

Dear friends of bergenPAC,

The theme of our 2021 gala is Our Home, Your Home. We take great pride in serving as your home for cultural entertainment and arts education and hope to continue in the years to come. However, like many industries, the COVID-19 pandemic devastated performing arts centers.

It is hard to believe it has been a year since our stage went dark. While our spirit was challenged, it was never extinguished. We knew we had to deliver on our nonprofit mission to make live performing arts and arts education more accessible in whatever ways we could.

Live became livestream. The Performing Arts School at bergenPAC adapted to a virtual platform and our free weekly family-friendly shows at the Westfield Garden State Plaza aired on Facebook. We presented a summer drive-in concert series at the mall so people could safely enjoy live entertainment and returned to welcome the holiday season with a special drive-in production.

Thanks to the continued support of many of our corporate, foundation, and restaurant partners, we maintained our school's scholarship program. While it always ensured that no child was turned away because of financial hardship, it has proved even more essential during the pandemic.

The vaccine rollout brings a wave of optimism for a brighter 2021. But we must remain patient, as it could be several months before we safely welcome large crowds back into our theater. That means we are still in a fight to save our stage and school.

Your donation of any amount will make an incredible difference to secure our future as the region's home for cultural entertainment and arts education for generations to come. We can do this together.

Stay safe,

Dominic Roncace
bergenPAC President & CEO



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Congratulations on a beautiful Gala!



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**Judy and Bob Cook
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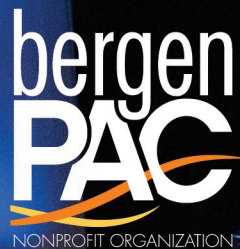
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-Miyako and Edmondo Schwartz



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We salute the bergenPAC

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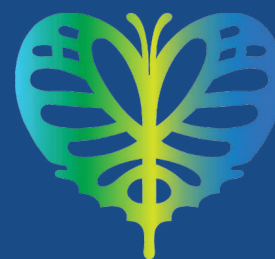
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