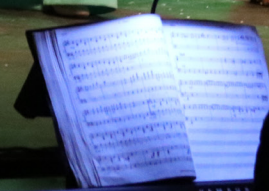




PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
CAMPAIGN





More than 75 students participated in the Middle School production of *The Little Mermaid Jr.* Students also managed lights, sound, costumes and provided stage support.

THE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER CAMPAIGN

VISION

We are committed to building a modern Performing Arts Center that will greatly enhance the educational experience for every student who passes through its doors. The Center will include community, learning, practice, and performing spaces that inspire intellectual curiosity, creativity, artistic expression, and build community.

NEED

Gwynette Auditorium is nearing the end of its useful life, has limited seating capacity, and ongoing maintenance costs are unsustainable.

COST

Design work and construction for the Performing Arts Center is estimated at \$8.5 million.

TIMELINE

With your support, design work will begin in 2019, construction will start in 2020, and our grand opening performance will be in 2021.



Every year, every student in the Lower School participates in a performance as part of our history, spiritual life, and arts programs.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO LEAD?

To be one of the leading independent schools in the Southeast, Porter-Gaud is committed to offering a dynamic learning experience with modern facilities and a progressive curriculum taught by passionate faculty.

The multi-purpose spaces in the new Performing Arts Center support the value of creativity in our students and graduates and strengthen community-building activities and connections.

"I wanted to say thank you to PG for making my daughter Cinnie who she is - a very self-confident young woman. I am just so grateful. It didn't take me a second to consider giving to the campaign."
Stephanie Saunders, Parent of Cinnie Saunders '16



New York Times best-selling author Michael Thompson, Ph.D., discusses the stresses of school with Upper School students.

This is where I first learned to **fly** and continue to **soar**. I can't imagine my life without the **well-rounded education** of Porter-Gaud. May I **never land!**"
Matthew Shingledecker '04, Broadway Performer in shows such as *Les Misérables*, *Wicked*, *Rent*, *West Side Story*, and *Spring Awakening*



THE HEART OF CAMPUS

Life 101



Parent events



Visiting speakers and alumni



Awards Days



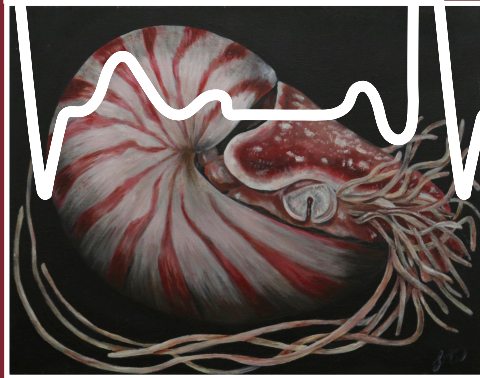
Visiting Writer Series



Theatrical and music performances



Seven major productions per year



Student art exhibits and gallery space



Student Performances



Chapel services



Grandparent's Day



Student wellness programs



Founder's Day



The nationally-renowned Matsiko Orphan Choir performs for our students.

IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

Will all Porter-Gaud students benefit from a new Performing Arts Center?

Yes! Every student will be inspired multiple times each week. Some students will perform, some will speak, some will simply listen, but all will learn and be impacted.

Why are we building a new auditorium?

As it was originally built as more of a music hall, Gwynette Auditorium has no dressing rooms, backstage, storage areas, or offices, and the sound, lighting, and HVAC systems are outdated. Because the building no longer meets modern building codes, renovations are not feasible.

Who is being asked to support this Performing Arts Center Campaign?

All members of the Porter-Gaud family, including Trustees, alumni, parents, grandparents, faculty, staff, and friends.



The Middle School Choir sings at the annual Holiday Concert.

IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

Will my gift be tax deductible?

Yes. Donations to the Porter-Gaud Foundation for the new Performing Arts Center are tax deductible. As always, you should consult your tax advisor on this question.

Can I make a multi-year pledge?

Yes. Donors may make pledges for up to five years.

Are there naming opportunities?

Yes. There are numerous naming opportunities in the Performing Arts Center. Visit portergaud.edu/PAC to find out more.

Will the new Center be a potential venue for outside performances?

Yes. In addition to our own students' performances and events, we can host outside concerts, plays, speakers, and other large events—a great chance to show off our campus.



The new Performing Arts Center could also serve as a potential venue for the Charleston community.

BE BOLD! BE GENEROUS!

GIVING LEVELS

- Visionary** \$5 million+
- Leadership** \$1 million – \$4,999,999
- Benefactor** \$500,000 – \$999,999
- Sustainer** \$250,000 – \$499,999
- Patron** \$100,000 – \$249,999
- Sponsor** \$50,000 – \$99,999
- Promoter** \$25,000 – \$49,999
- Believer** \$10,000 – \$24,999
- Booster** \$5,000 – \$9,999
- Supporter** \$1,000 – \$4,999

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2. Make a stock gift. Donate highly appreciated stock and avoid capital gains taxes. Contact Craig Stewart at 843.402.4690 or Lisa Ward at 843.402.4754.
3. Make a pledge. You may spread your gift over five years.
4. Ask about a naming opportunity. There are several naming opportunities in the new facility. Contact Craig Stewart at 843.402.4690 or Lisa Ward at 843.402.4754.
5. Give online at portergaud.edu/give

Learn more at www.portergaud.edu/PAC.

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