



CULTURAL ARTS

Celebrating 25 Years

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Dear Patron of the Arts,

If you are reading this letter, you are most likely a friend or family member of an HST student. **You probably don't see yourself as a "patron of the arts" as much as a supportive relative or neighbor.** Perhaps you have been a regular attendee of your student's performances with HST, or maybe this is the first you've heard about our program. Whichever it is, you are someone who stands out in their life. We commend you for that fact and assure you that your support is priceless to them.

HST is a non-profit cultural arts program that offers acting, dance, vocal choirs, tech team, make-up team, and performance troupes for home schooled students. Our two middle school troupes each perform a one-hour musical while our two high school troupes perform a Broadway musical and a Shakespeare production. In addition, our Theatricals program offers a unique interactive performance experience at their Coffeehouse. HST also provides important social, leadership, and community outreach opportunities for our students. Students can earn Presidential Volunteer Service Awards, serve as leaders upon achieving membership in our Thespian Honor Society, support and run fundraising events, and participate in social events such as HST's high school prom. **For many students, HST is their favorite extra-curricular activity where strong, lifetime friendships are formed.** We have many testimonies from alumni about the important role HST played in developing their poise and confidence.

In the past 24 years, HST has produced 95 main stage productions, 18 Variety Shows, and 9 Coffeehouses, all with less funding than is humanly possible. We've done this because of God's grace, thousands of volunteer hours, and patrons like you. We are an organization where small donations make a big difference! **If you are able to give a tax deductible donation, your name and the name of the student(s) you are supporting will be listed in our program.** You will also receive the following thank-you gifts that can be picked up in the lobby during shows.

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| <i>Bronze Sponsor - \$25+</i> | <i>2020 Donor Pin</i> |
| <i>Silver Sponsor - \$50+</i> | <i>2020 Donor Pin and Free Refreshment</i> |
| <i>Gold Sponsor - \$100+</i> | <i>2020 Donor Pin, Free Refreshment, and Free Rose</i> |
| <i>Platinum Sponsor - \$250+</i> | <i>All of the above and limited Pre-reserved seating</i> |
| <i>Emerald Sponsor - \$500+</i> | <i>All of the above and Pre-reserved seating</i> |
| <i>Diamond Sponsor - \$1000+</i> | <i>All of the above, Pre-reserved seating, and backstage tour</i> |

25thANNIVERSARY APPEAL: \$15,000 needed to replace Wireless Microphones

We invite you to partner with us as we celebrate our 25th anniversary. The focus of this year's appeal is on equipment that is crucial to HST's performances. 16 of HST's wireless body-pack transmitters are 16 years old and desperately need replacing. The screw-in connectors for the headsets are stripped, causing connections to go in and out. Additionally, newer microphones use AA batteries, which are less expensive and have longer battery life than the 9 Volt batteries used by our current microphones. Eventually the new microphones will pay for themselves through battery cost savings.

If you are interested in donating you can mail a check to HST, PO Box 150, Rockville, MD 20848 or you can donate through our website www.hstonline.org. **Reserved seating & program recognition is guaranteed if the donation is postmarked by or submitted through the HST website by January 18, 2020.**

Many thanks & blessings,
Marilyn Mullan
HST Executive Director