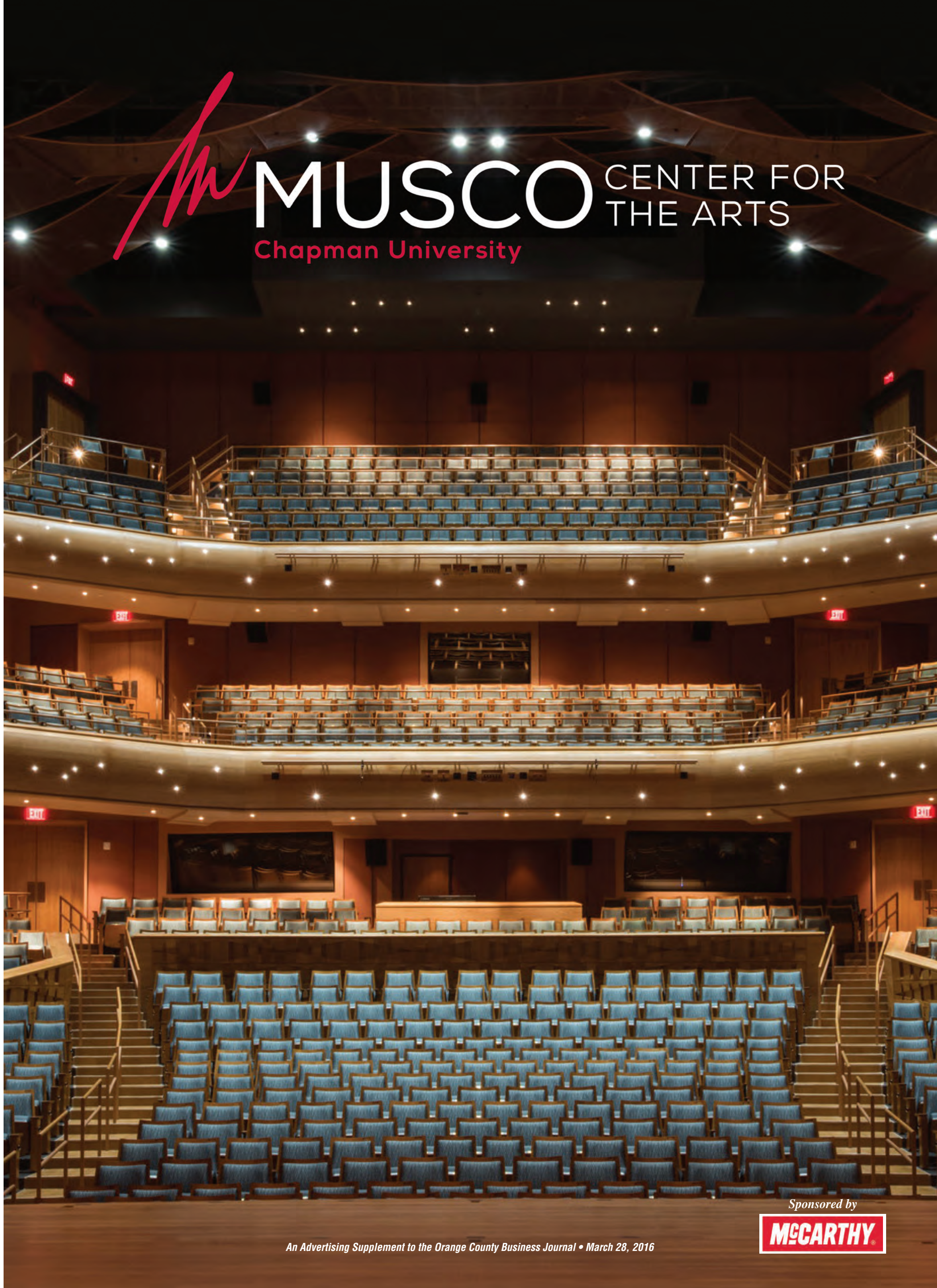




MUSCO CENTER FOR THE ARTS

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— Mark Swed, Los Angeles Times



Chapman University Unveils Marybelle and Sebastian P. Musco Center for the Arts

**STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITY SPARKS A NEW ERA
FOR ARTS, EDUCATION, AND COMMUNITY IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
COMMUNITY OPENING APRIL 2, 2016**

Chapman University has made a highly visible investment in their performing arts program, evidenced by the magnificent new Marybelle and Sebastian P. Musco Center for the Arts which opened March 19, 2016. The 88,000-square-foot facility gives students and faculty an opportunity to achieve the highest standard of arts-related education, offering hands-on experience with renowned arts organizations. Musco Center for the Arts will flourish as a cultural beacon for campus life and the surrounding region, dedicated to the advancement of innovation, creativity, art, and community engagement.

The facility boasts design by the award-winning architects Pfeiffer Partners, and acoustics by Yasuhisa Toyota of Nagata Acoustics, arguably the top acoustician in the world today, whose projects include Disney Hall and Stanford's Bing Concert Hall, among many others. At the heart of the center is the Julianne Argyros Orchestra Hall with 1,044 seats on three levels and a full-scale stagehouse capable of grand spectacle or lush symphonic sound with its orchestral shell in place.

Musco Center for the Arts is expected to soon take its place among the nation's top university-based arts facilities, further bolstering Chapman's distinguished

College of Performing Arts. Through strategic partnerships, Musco Center has aligned with top-tier arts organizations willing to integrate their work into the academic curriculum. The result will be a working creative laboratory where students can engage with exemplars of their craft. The center is the only one of its kind on a Southern California campus, and is poised to become a national destination of choice for students of the arts.

The nine-week Opening & Preview Season began on March 19 with performances by opera legends Plácido Domingo, Deborah Voigt, and Milena Kitic. The grand opening also featured the LA Opera Orchestra, a chorus of more than 150 voices, and an array of artists and Chapman alumni led by esteemed conductor John DeMain. Mr. Domingo is more than a headliner for the sold-out event. The lauded tenor also turned the first ceremonial shovel of dirt in 2012 when the project broke ground, and was the first to sing in the new hall while it was still under construction. In addition, the Musco Center's Grand Curtain has been named for Mr. Domingo, as performers will note in perpetuity as they pass by the backstage bronze plaques emblazoned with his name.





hall. For example, string players can come in for an offshoot performance. Then our students will have an opportunity to take a master class with members of the Berlin Philharmonic's string section. The community wins, the students win, and education wins. It all works together."

Musco Center marks a cultural milestone in the life of Chapman University, but also for the City of Orange and the surrounding area. To celebrate the center's arrival to both the campus and community, a vibrant open house and arts festival will be held on Saturday, April 2 from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. The free festival is open to the public and features a cavalcade of performances, family activities, food, and backstage tours. The event will span four stages and stretch across the beautiful outdoor Bette and Wylie Aitken Arts Plaza and into Musco Center.

The all-ages festival will showcase the tremendous range of Chapman's College of Performing Arts, featuring an array of student clubs and organizations across all stages. The outdoor pavilion will host extraordinary live music, community-based theater and dance, and a lively outdoor concert by the Stooges Brass Band. The open house and arts festival will culminate with an indoor, ticketed performance by Pacific Symphony. Led by conductor Carl St.Clair, the symphony will perform Grieg's Piano Concerto with pianist Grace Fong and conclude with Beethoven's majestic Fifth Symphony.

"Every note was crystal clear...Musco's acoustics facilitate the ring in a soprano's high notes by picking up the overtones and letting the sound spill out over the audience like champagne bubbles." — Ellen Dostal, Broadway World



Musco Center photos by Doug Gifford



The grand opening was a celebration that paid homage to the Center's namesakes, Marybelle and Sebastian P. Musco, and the many others who gave so generously to fund the building, including George and Julianne Argyros and Bette and Wylie Aitken.

The Muscos are longtime supporters of Chapman, and the philanthropists' generous donation launched a multi-year drive to open the \$82 million facility debt free. The evening was also a reflection of Dr. William D. Hall, the founding dean and artistic director for Musco Center and a professor of music at Chapman University since 1963. In 2013 Hall was honored alongside the Muscos with the naming of the Hall-Musco Conservatory of Music, and the new Musco Center for the Arts allows the seasoned director to witness his dream of more than 50 years become a reality.

"The Musco Center is standing on the shoulders of what Chapman University has been doing right for a very long time," said Richard T. Bryant, Musco Center's interim executive director and former spokesman for Segerstrom Center for the Arts. "As a result of its presence here, there are hugely impactful opportunities on the horizon — both for the students and for the surrounding communities."

At its core, the center is an arts and education facility that will thrive through the College of Performing Arts. Musco Center's affiliates are currently comprised of the Los Angeles Opera, Pacific Symphony, Philharmonic Society of Orange County, and more, and will work as a gateway for elevated learning. Through alliances designed to unify the arts community and foster creativity, the center will bring aspects of larger touring companies to its stage. These strategic partnerships will give students and faculty access to once-in-a-lifetime opportunities.

"There will be programs like the one already announced with the Philharmonic Society of Orange County next year," Bryant said. "They're bringing the Berlin Philharmonic to Segerstrom Hall — it has the economic capacity and it's a fantastic room. Musco Center will work in a manner that's completely complementary, bringing components into our own

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Musco Center for the Arts
One University Drive, Orange, CA 92866

TICKETS:
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McCarthy Completes Work on Musco Center for the Arts at Chapman University in Orange County

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McCarthy helped bring to fruition the facility's design, created by the award-winning architects Pfeiffer Partners. The structure boasts acoustics by Yasuhisa Toyota of Nagata Acoustics, arguably the top acoustician in the world today, whose projects include Disney Hall and Stanford's Bing Concert Hall, among many others. At the heart of the center is the Julianne Argyros Orchestra Hall with 1,044 seats on three levels and a full-scale stagehouse capable of grand spectacle or lush symphonic sound with its orchestral shell in place.

As the general contractor on the project, McCarthy oversaw the building of the \$82 million structure and implemented Lean construction practices in order to maximize efficiency and reduce overall cost, as well as production time. During the extensive construction process, 42,000 cubic yards of earth were moved, and McCarthy poured 14,000 cubic yards of concrete to assemble and secure the building. Furthermore, in order to conform to Orange's height restrictions for the historic area Musco Center is stationed upon, the final building rises only 55 feet above the sidewalk elevation, with stage area footings nearly 45 feet deep.



Photo by Doug Gifford, Musco Center for the Arts

McCarthy leveraged its deep-rooted Lean culture to boost value and eliminate waste on the construction of the center. The 28-month-long project included not only the construction of a facility to house a multipurpose Proscenium-style theater hall, but also a rehearsal space, associated performer and support space and storage, administrative offices, and a multilevel lobby. By establishing a Lean culture, the collective actions of the project team successfully increased construction effectiveness and efficiency on this prominent performing arts project through improving logistics, team collaboration and building coordination technology. Lean solutions also ensured the project's schedule and quality of construction.

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NEIGHBORS

To the ones who raise expectations—work together with others to achieve new heights—and make our community a better place. Thank you to Paul and Marybelle Musco for their tireless fundraising efforts and gifts to help make the new Musco Center for the Arts at Chapman University a state-of-the-art reality. You are indeed a great Orange County neighbor. Congratulations!

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

APRIL

Saturday, April 2, 11am-10pm • Musco Center Presents
Community Open House & Arts Festival
Free day-long festival, open to all! On four stages inside and out, enjoy continuous performances for all ages — Southern California musicians, ensembles, singers, dancers and more!

Sunday, April 3, 2pm • Musco Center & Pacific Symphony Present
Charles Ives: *Concord Sonata*

Sunday, April 10, 7:30pm • Musco Center Presents
Los Angeles Percussion Quartet

Friday, April 15, 7:30pm • CoPA Theatre Presents
Shakespeare's *The Merchant of Venice*

Saturday, April 16, 2pm & 7:30pm • CoPA Theatre Presents
Shakespeare's *The Merchant of Venice*

Friday, April 22, 7:30pm • CoPA Music Presents
Puccini's *Gianni Schicchi* and *Suor Angelica*

Saturday, April 23, 2pm • CoPA Theatre Presents
Shakespeare's *The Merchant of Venice*

Saturday, April 23, 7:30pm • CoPA Music Presents
Puccini's *Gianni Schicchi* and *Suor Angelica*

Sunday, April 24, 3pm • CoPA Music Presents
Puccini's *Gianni Schicchi* and *Suor Angelica*

Tuesday, April 26, 7:30pm • Musco Center Presents
Vadym Kholodenko, Piano

Wednesday, April 27, 7:30pm • Musco Center Presents
EmCxBD: Emerging Voices in Choreography
by Backhausdance

Friday, April 29, 7:30pm • CoPA Music Presents
Chapman Wind Symphony

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Sunday, May 1, 2pm • Musco Center Presents
Arts & Lecture Series: Jeff Corwin

Tuesday, May 3, 8am-1pm • Thompson Policy Institute Presents
DisABILITY Summit

Tuesday, May 3, 7:30pm • Musco Center and CoPA Music Present
Jumpin' with Stan Kenton

Saturday, May 7, 7:30pm • Musco Center Presents
Great Voices Concert: Rod Gilfry, Baritone

Saturday, May 14, 4pm • CoPA Music Presents
Sholund Scholarship Concert

Sunday, May 15, 4pm • OCYSO Presents
Orange County Youth Symphony Orchestra

Friday, May 20, 4pm • Fish Interfaith Center Presents
Baccalaureate Interfaith Service
Featuring David Archuleta and Valarie Kaur

Sunday, May 29, 1pm-7:30pm • Chapman World CAFÉ Presents
World CAFÉ: El Latido del Corazon Mexicano

ARTISTIC AFFILIATES:

- LA Opera
- Philharmonic Society of OC
- Pacific Symphony
- OC Youth Symphony Orchestra
- Backhausdance

Artists, dates and programs subject to change.

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*Your commitment and generosity
to the arts, our great community
and education is an inspiration.
The Musco Center for the Arts will
provide a world class venue to
inspire students, faculty and guests
to excel and bring beauty through
creativity to Orange County.*

Salma and Hazem Chehabi, MD



Orange County School of the Arts Provides Students Unparalleled Preparation for Higher Education and a Profession in the Arts

The award-winning Orange County School of the Arts (OCSA) provides a creative, challenging and nurturing environment that offers bright and talented students unparalleled preparation for higher education and a profession in the arts.

Founded in 1987 by visionary educator Dr. Ralph Opacic, OCSA has grown from a small after-school arts program into one of the premier arts schools in the nation. This innovative public charter school embraces and encourages artistic creativity and academic excellence, and produces lifelong learners who matriculate to top tier college, universities and conservatory programs.



The school currently serves more than 2,100 gifted students in grades 7-12 and allows them to focus on one of the 14 arts conservatories offered. OCSA serves a diverse student body and is accessible to all students, regardless of their socioeconomic standing. The school is tuition-free, donation-dependent and no students are admitted or denied based on financial capacity. The school relies solely on private donations, totaling \$8.5 million annually, to fund the 14 arts conservatories offered.

The school is accredited by WASC and has been named a National Blue Ribbon School, a California Distinguished School, and has been recognized as a model arts education program by the Kennedy Center. In 2015, OCSA was named the Best Charter High School in California by *Niche Rankings* and is one of the top academic schools in the state, ranking sixth in California and 48th in the nation. OCSA has also been named one of the top high schools in America by *Newsweek* magazine.

For more information on the Orange County School of the Arts, visit www.ocsarts.net or call 714.560.0900. OCSA is located at 1010 N. Main St., Santa Ana, CA 92701.



THANKS FOR BEING A GREAT PARTNER!

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The Musco Center joins a long list of impressive projects McCarthy has completed in Orange County. McCarthy worked on a design-assist for the Children's Hospital of Orange County, which included a 424,000-square-foot patient tower, 50,000-square-foot renovation of the existing north tower chiller/boiler room and ER remodel. The company's airport construction team also built the new terminal C and made improvements to terminals A and B of the John Wayne Airport in Santa Ana. McCarthy also serves as the program manager at Newport Mesa USD, providing nearly 15 years of construction management services on their new construction and renovation projects throughout the district. Additional Orange County projects include 20-40 Pacifica Office Buildings and the Hyundai Corporate Headquarters Parking Structure.

Founded in 1864, McCarthy Building Companies Inc. has been building communities across America for more than 150 years, delivering certainty for clients in a diverse range of markets. Throughout all phases of a project, from early integrated design phase services, through construction and after completion,



Photo by Doug Gifford, Musco Center for the Arts

McCarthy builders utilize industry-leading construction techniques and the most sophisticated technology to deliver the highest quality, job-site safety and ultimately, the best value. Repeatedly honored as a Best Place to Work and Healthiest Employer, McCarthy is ranked the 12th largest domestic general contractor (*Engineering News-Record*, May 2015), the 6th largest general contractor in California (*ENR California*, July 2015) and the largest commercial builder in Orange County (*Orange County Business Journal*, June 2014). The company has built state-of-the-art teaching and research facilities, parking structures, athletic complexes, performing arts centers, historic renovations, green buildings and more.

For more information, contact Sara Hill at 949.851.8383 or shill@mccarthy.com.



Orange Knows BUSINESS

Congratulations to Chapman University on the grand opening of the Musco Center for the Arts!

We are a hub for manufacturing, a leading office market, and a regional center for medical industry. In addition, downtown Orange is consistently voted the Best Downtown in Orange County, with excellent restaurants and shops.

We are centrally located in the heart of Orange County, served by five freeways, and conveniently accessible by your customers and suppliers.

Let us show you how easy it is to make Orange your new home.

Contact the City of Orange at (714) 744-2203 to discover how Orange is at your service or visit us at www.cityoforange.org.

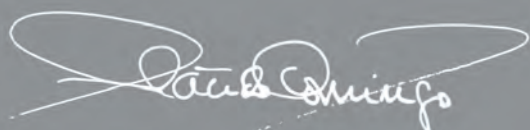
On behalf of Los Angeles Opera's Board of Directors and the entire LA Opera Family, we want to congratulate Marybelle and Paul Musco on the opening of the Marybelle and Sebastian P. Musco Center for the Arts.

Their shared passion and support for opera and the performing arts has had a tremendous impact across all of Southern California. The creation of this magnificent, world-class facility will benefit audiences today and all future generations.

We are grateful for their years of steadfast generosity and unwavering vision that have helped to establish a place where students will discover their artistic voice and the community will experience world-class performances on a grand scale.



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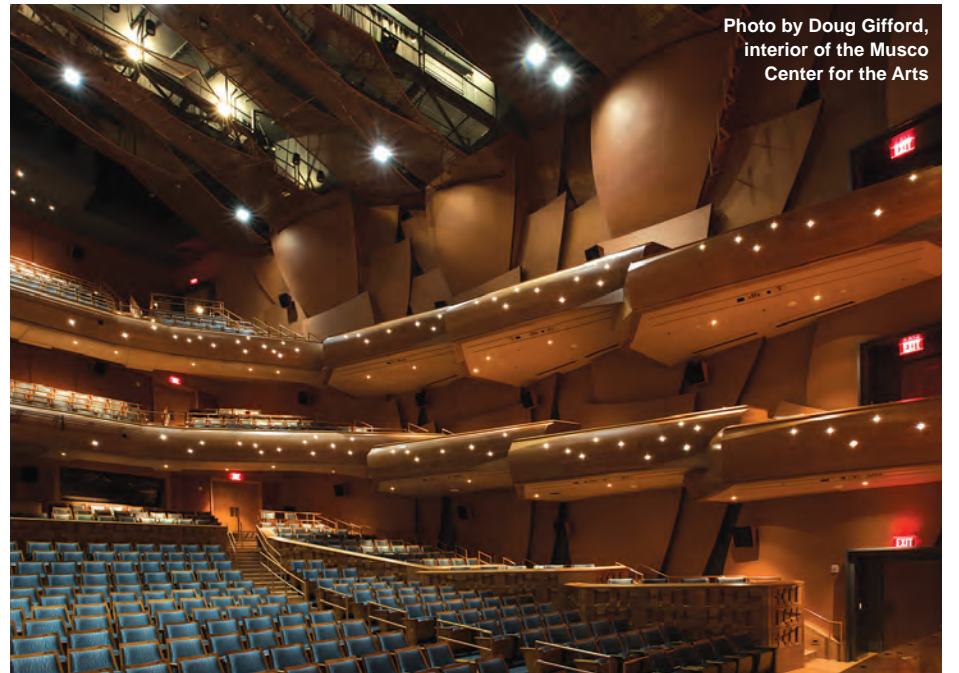


Photo by Doug Gifford, interior of the Musco Center for the Arts

The City of Orange Congratulates Chapman University for the Grand Opening of the Musco Center for the Arts

The Musco Center for the Arts is about to become a major destination for lovers of music, live theater and artistic expression. Chapman University is making history, and in Orange, history is a way of life.

If you are planning to come and see a show or concert, we invite you to arrive early so you can explore one of Southern California's best kept secrets: The Old Towne Orange Plaza.

Home to the largest historic district in California, Old Towne Orange has been consistently voted the "Best Downtown in Orange County." Come and see for yourself why we call it, "A slice of Old Towne Charm."

Be sure to allow enough time for a meal in one of our restaurants. More than 35



unique culinary experiences await your exploration, including "Best Gastropub in Orange County," and the "Best Mexican food in Orange County." Organic rice bowls? Cuban food? Greek? Gourmet hamburgers? Juicy steaks? The Plaza has it all.

After your meal, take a stroll through a few of our 60 antique stores and specialty shops. Clothing boutiques, reclaimed furniture showrooms and estate treasures are all waiting for your discovery.

Just before your show, be sure to grab a coffee at one of our many gourmet coffee shops. No matter if your passion is organic, Australian-style, single bean, house roasted, or even slow-drip cold brewed, you'll find them all here. Each of our coffee houses offer a unique take on the traditional cup of "Joe."

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OPENING OF THE NEW



Abacus has managed Chapman University's capital improvement program over the past 15 years, completing more than 100 projects. We're proud to have been part of the team on this recent success.

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Thank you Paul and Marybelle



for all your generous support of the arts.

-Jim and Kelly Mazzo



Old Towne Orange is a reminder of a bygone era. The Plaza, and its signature "crown jewel," Plaza Park, will transport you to a time that now lives only in our memories. Over at the Orange Public Library and History Center, the original Plaza Park fountain from 1886 is still bubbling away, just two blocks from where it once stood.

While you walk through Old Towne, be sure to look around. Orange is home to many historic buildings and homes built in architectural styles that are now rarely seen. In the neighborhoods surrounding the Old Towne Plaza, you'll find homes that are more than 100 years old. Perfectly preserved, they are a living testament to Orange's rich history.

Once you've enjoyed a taste of Old Towne Orange, there is an entire city to

explore. In fact, the City of Orange is a great place to do business. Centrally located in the heart of Orange County, we are one of the strongest retail markets in Southern California. If you are thinking of relocating your business, we invite you to consider coming to Orange.

Why not take in a show or concert, and think about making Orange your home, too?

Old Towne Orange and the Chapman University Musco Center for the Arts; together they are a perfect match for an amazing night out.

For more information about Old Towne Orange, call 714.744.2203 or visit www.cityoforange.org.

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The student artists of the Orange County School of the Arts applaud Marybelle and Sebastian P. Musco for believing in and supporting arts education and for creating a world-class center for all to enjoy!

BRAVO!