



SILVERLAKE CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC PRESENTS A NIGHT OF MUSICAL PERFORMANCES HEADLINED BY EDDIE VEDDER AT THEIR ANNUAL BENEFIT HONORING BELOVED BENEFACTOR RON BURKLE ON NOVEMBER 2, 2019



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LOS ANGELES, October 17, 2019 – Silverlake Conservatory of Music will host its annual Benefit on the evening of November 2, 2019, honoring businessman and benefactor **Ron Burkle** and celebrating almost 20 years as a thriving hub of inclusive music education in the Los Angeles community.

Hosted at the Silverlake Conservatory's **Barbara Bestor** designed building on Hollywood Blvd, friends and supporters of the Conservatory will unite for a night of musical performances, headlined by **Eddie Vedder**, over a fairy-light lit dinner in the School's parking lot.

The highly anticipated evening will once again be hosted by comedian and actor **Marc Maron** who will introduce the night's musical acts, including special performances by Eddie Vedder, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Silverlake's All-Star band, and much more.

This year's Benefit will mark almost two decades since musicians **Michael "Flea" Balzary** and **Keith "Tree" Barry** founded Silverlake Conservatory of Music as a non-profit music school in response to cutbacks in arts education programming throughout Los Angeles area public schools.

Together with its supporters, the Conservatory will celebrate the outstanding contribution of **Ron Burkle**, a successful businessman and dedicated philanthropist, who has been a leading supporter of the local Los Angeles community and a beloved benefactor of the Silverlake Conservatory of Music since its founding in 2001. Burkle is also the founder of the Ronald W. Burkle Foundation and The Ronald W. Burkle Center for International Relations at UCLA.

A silent auction, featuring works by preeminent contemporary artists from **Ed Ruscha** to **Raymond Pettibon**; photographic prints of performing artists **Freddie Mercury** and Red Hot

Chili Peppers; locally-designed goods; signed **Fender** guitars and a courtside **Lakers game** with Flea, will be on offer to guests throughout the night.

The annual Benefit is the most important source of fundraising for the Conservatory, which brings dynamic music education to the people of Los Angeles. Proceeds from the auction and the evening support the Conservatory's mission of providing extensive scholarships to kids whose families might not otherwise afford lessons.

The annual benefit remains a highly anticipated event for the Los Angeles community and an important moment to celebrate the diversity and richness of the arts and cultural community of Los Angeles.

In previous years, the Conservatory has welcomed prominent guests to the Benefit, including Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, Christina Applegate, Cindy Crawford, Thomas Houseago, Gus Van Sant, David Spade, Brad Pitt, Mo Ostin, Rashida Jones, Jill Soloway and Owen Wilson.

For more information on ticketing, please contact Silverlake Conservatory of Music Events at events.scm@outlook.com.

ABOUT THE CONSERVATORY

The mission of the Silverlake Conservatory of Music, a non-profit 501©(3) organization, is to facilitate a dynamic music education and to teach beginning and accomplished musicians of all skill levels. Its primary focus is on the youth of the community, but all are welcome and encouraged to participate. The Conservatory offers private music lessons on all orchestral and band instruments, as well as a variety of ensemble classes at a reasonable cost. The Conservatory grants scholarships to children who qualify, providing free lessons and instruments. The performances and recitals put on by the Conservatory are a fulfilling experience for the students and a beautiful outreach to the community. The Conservatory's goal is to keep its standard of teaching at the highest level while maintaining a friendly, fun and nurturing environment. The study of music enriches not only the lives of the student and teacher, but the community and society as well.

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