



OSF's 90th Anniversary

GALA

September 30th, 2024

Homecoming Extravaganza

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Order of Festivities

Welcome

*Rodney Gardiner / Master of Ceremonies
Fred Northup, Jr. / Auctioneer*

Performance by OSF Alumni

*Greta Oglesby / Vocalist
Karl Iverson / Accompanist*

Remarks

Diane Yu & Rudd Johnson / Board Co-Chairs

Thank You to Our Sponsors & Bar Cart Raffle

*Rodney Gardiner / Master of Ceremonies
Fred Northup, Jr. / Auctioneer*

Performance by OSF Company Members and Alumni

*Linda Alper, Terri McMahon, Robin Goodrin Nordli, Deidrie Henry,
Miriam A. Laube, Erica Sullivan, Jessica Ko, Nell Geisslinger and
Kevin Kenerly*

Video Presentation

Live Auction

*Rodney Gardiner / Master of Ceremonies
Fred Northup, Jr. / Auctioneer*

Starcatcher - Inspiring Humanitarian Award

Anthony Heald / Honorary Gala Chair & Presenter

Dave Hitz / Inspiring Humanitarian Award Recipient

Performance by OSF Company

Members and Alumni

*Tyrone Wilson, Greta Oglesby, Deidrie Henry, Kevin Kenerly,
Rodney Gardiner*

Remarks

Tim Bond / Artistic Director

Video Presentation

Paddle Raise

Rodney Gardiner / Master of Ceremonies

Fred Northup, Jr. / Auctioneer

Fiesta Quixote Nuevo Raffle & Closing Thanks

Kamilah Long / Chief Development Officer

Performance by OSF Company

Members and Alumni

Cedric Lamar & Eddie Lopez / Vocalists

Cedric Lamar / Musician

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Hearsay Restaurant Lounge & Garden
Le Mera Gardens
Mix Bakeshop

Special Thanks to Fred Northup Jr.

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Table Hosts

Thank You to OSF Gala Table Hosts.

The Spartan Group

Don Jones

The Standard

Bob Speltz

Co-Chair, OSF Board of Directors

Diane Yu

Play On Shakespeare

Lue Douthit, Dave Hitz

OSF Scenic & Theatre Designer Emeritus

Richard L. Hay

Cowhorn Vineyard & Garden

Starcatcher - Inspiring Humanitarian Award

The OSF Starcatcher Award symbolizes the rare ability to harness the luminosity of the stars and share that glow.

This year we are introducing a new category for the Starcatcher Award: The Inspiring Humanitarian Award, which illuminates individuals whose philanthropic work has a profound and far-reaching impact, particularly in the arts and global humanitarian efforts. Recipients of this award are visionaries whose generosity and commitment inspire others to create a better, more inclusive, and more compassionate world.

The recipient of this year's Starcatcher - Inspiring Humanitarian Award is Dave Hitz. His remarkable legacy extends beyond theatre and involves extensive work in environmental sustainability, education, and digital preservation. His support for numerous environmental and artistic causes has brought critical issues to the forefront and touched countless lives, exemplifying the impact we aim to honor.

Dave Hitz is an OSF Board Member, Vice President of the OSF Board of Endowment Trustees, and a longtime supporter of OSF. As Chairman of the Hitz Foundation, Dave's focus areas include Mayan archaeology, 3D scanning of ancient sites and museum collections, and global sustainability. As chairman of Deep Springs College, Dave helped guide the transition to coeducation after 100 years of all-male enrollment. He co-founded Play On Shakespeare, a non-profit that commissions contemporary translations and adaptations of Shakespeare to enhance the understanding of the plays.

Previous recipients of the Starcatcher Award: Sid DeBoer (Community Recipient) and Octavio Solis (Artistic Recipient).

Live Auction

1. OSF Retreat for Six at the Winchester Inn

Enjoy a two-night stay for three couples at the Winchester Inn, with tickets for six to see an OSF show each night. The first night starts with a curated five-course dinner for six at Alchemy, featuring a special menu from Executive Chef Michael Bryant with paired wines from co-owner and Sommelier Drew Gibbs. The second night features a four-course dinner for six at Chateaubriand 36 with local wines for the after party! Treat yourself to an outstanding weekend of theatre and merriment during OSF's milestone 90th Anniversary Season!

Value: \$5,000 **Donated By:** Laurie Gibbs & Drew Gibbs

Restrictions: Mutually agreeable dates for the winner, Winchester Inn & OSF box office, within one calendar year from Sept 30, 2024. Does not include gratuities.

2. Portland Trail Blazers Courtside Tickets

Immerse yourself in the heart-pounding action of an NBA basketball game with these two front-row courtside tickets! Secure your spot to witness the thrills and skills of the Portland Trail Blazers in the 2024–2025 season. Rose Garden Garage parking is included, ensuring convenience from the moment you arrive until the final buzzer sounds.

Value: \$4,000 **Donated By:** Mary and Brett Wilcox

Restrictions: Date of game and opponent to be mutually agreed upon.



3. Brown Cow Walk-On Role on the Elizabethan Stage

Join the cast of OSF's 2025 production of *Into the Woods*! You'll play the Brown Cow during a live performance in the Allen Elizabethan Theatre! Experience the magic of this Sondheim classic on the stage, and when something tragic happens to the Baker and his Wife, you get to help them on their journey. This is a one-of-a-kind experience you don't want to miss. Available for the Opening and Closing performances – two opportunities! The highest bidder chooses their date first. Each winner receives two tickets for the show.

Value: Priceless **Donated By:** Oregon Shakespeare Festival

Restrictions: Winner sits in the back of the theatre during the first act and can join their guest for the second act after the magical on stage moment.

4. Custom OSF Homecoming Letterman Jacket

How many years have you been coming to OSF? What was your first season? Show it off with your own custom OSF Letterman Jacket! Choose from three beautiful designs, including a special Pride Edition. Curate your own patches with the year you first came to OSF, the Elizabethan patch, the Black Swan patch, and more. Wear your custom OSF Letterman Jacket proudly as OSF launches into its next 90 years!

Value: \$600 **Donated By:** Oregon Shakespeare Festival

Restrictions: For custom jackets, allow 6-8 weeks for the creation of your custom jacket after your size and preferences have been confirmed.



5. Immersive Retreat at Cowhorn Vineyard & Garden

Enjoy a two-night stay for up to six guests at The Overlook at Cowhorn Vineyard & Garden, plus a Portfolio Tasting with Sommelier Dhruv Singh for up to eight guests. Once you're perched above the vineyard, you'll have the opportunity to enhance this immersive vineyard package with luxurious *à la carte* experiences, such as indulgent meals prepared by the winery's culinary team, private barrel tastings with Winemaker Vince Vidrine, tours of the extensive library selection, and Cowhorn's curated Supper Club.

Value: \$3,090 **Donated By:** Cowhorn Vineyard & Garden

Restrictions: Lodging for adults only. No pets. Maximum of three automobiles. Force majeure. Guests liable for any damages caused on the property.

6. Chef for a Day at Osteria La Briccola

Learn some of the secrets behind the outstanding Northern Italian cuisine at Osteria La Briccola in downtown Ashland! Don your own monogrammed chef's jacket and become apprentice for a day alongside celebrated Chef Davide Ghizzoni. Plus, you'll be on a short list of celebrities to have their picture taken with Chef. See your day commemorated in a fine frame behind the bar. Surprise your family and friends with new culinary skills that can last a lifetime. *Buon Appetito!*

Value: Priceless **Donated By:** Osteria La Briccola

Restrictions: Mutually agreeable date for the winner and Osteria La Briccola.

7. *New York, New York!*

Be magically transported to NYC with two ticket vouchers from Alaska Airlines, then enter the wizarding world of Harry Potter with 4 tickets to see the Tony Award-winning *Harry Potter & the Cursed Child* live on Broadway, featuring OSF alum Ted Deasy. Next, be dazzled by the amazing works of the Perelman Center for Performing Arts, with four tickets and a private tour with former OSF Artistic Director Bill Rauch in his new artistic home.

Value: \$4,500

Donated By: Alaska Airlines, Ted Deasy, Andrew Lowy, PAC NYC, Bill Rauch & Diane Yu.

Restrictions: Alaska Airlines ticket vouchers are valued up to \$1,250 each. Mutually agreeable dates for the winner, Perelman and Bill Rauch. Harry Potter Ticket certificate is valid between Oct 8, 2024 – April 13, 2025. Offer excludes Oct 11-13, Nov 22-Dec 1, Dec 13-Jan 5, Jan 18-19, Feb 15-16.

8. *The Magic behind the Magic - A Night in the Stage Manager's Booth*

Sit alongside the Stage Manager of an OSF show! You'll hear the Stage Manager make the technical calls in concert with the language of the performance while you watch the whole show unfold. Experience the play behind the play and the symphony of departments working together behind the scenes. Plus, enjoy an exclusive tour of the set!

Value: Priceless **Donated By:** Oregon Shakespeare Festival

Restrictions: Mutually agreeable dates and production for the winner and OSF.

9. Private Jet to an OSF Weekend

Step aboard a Cessna 510 Citation Mustang, your private plane from Hayward Executive Airport in California to Medford, Oregon. Next, check in for an overnight stay at the iconic Ashland Springs Hotel. Then, enjoy world-class theatre at a show of your choice in OSF's 2025 Season. Plus, enjoy a curated behind-the-scenes OSF experience. This one-of-kind package can be enjoyed by up to four people.

Value: \$19,000

Donated By: Nick Pliam & Vivian Lee, Ashland Springs Hotel and Oregon Shakespeare Festival.

Restrictions: Mutually agreeable date for winner, pilot Nick Pliam, Ashland Springs Hotel & OSF, in spring or summer of 2025. Production experience to be determined.

All sales and bids are final. No refunds, cancellations or exchanges will be issued for date or time changes, partial performances, or loss.

Raffle

Raffle #1: Tableside Bar Cart Tonight

Award-winning mixologist Freddie Herrera will mix cocktails for you and your friends at your table throughout the evening. Delight in uniquely crafted cocktails thoughtfully selected for the Gala. \$100 ticket for a chance to win.

Cocktail Menu | Inspired by OSF's 90th Anniversary Season

Be Careful What You Wish For | *Into the Woods*

Rye whiskey, lemon, pineapple, cinnamon, coconut cream, clarification

Fat Ham Old Fashioned | *Fat Ham*

Bacon-washed bourbon, maple, black walnut bitters, cherry bitters

Rocinante | *Quixote Nuevo*

Mezcal, strawberry black peppercorn shrub, lemon, Cynar, demerara

Love Will Find a Way | *As You Like It*

Coconut oil-washed rum, grapefruit, lime, Aperol, bubbles

The Berry Wives of Windsor | *The Merry Wives of Windsor*

Huckleberry vodka, lime, basil, Peychaud's Bitters, egg white

Value: \$1,500 **Donated By:** Hearsay Restaurant, Lounge & Garden

Raffle #2: Fiesta Quixote Nuevo

Immerse yourself in a fantastic evening with renowned playwright Octavio Solis and talented cast members from OSF's upcoming 2025 production of *Quixote Nuevo*!

You'll have the exclusive opportunity to mingle with the brilliant mind behind the beloved OSF productions of *El Paso Blue*, *Gibraltar*, *Mother Road*, and *Quixote Nuevo* in an intimate setting at Octavio Solis's own home.

Savor delicious cocktails, indulge in a gourmet dinner, enjoy live music, and revel in a night of laughter and wonderful conversations with Octavio Solis and his fellow artists. \$100 ticket for a chance to win.

Value: Priceless **Donated By:** Jeanne Sexton & Octavio Solis

Restrictions: Mutually agreeable date in Summer 2025.

Raise Your Paddle

OSF education is the soul of this company.... When I see the school buses roll up and all these kids coming out, then when I see them leave the theatre in serious conversation, or laughing from what they went through, or kind of blown away and just chattering with each other, I just know that we've changed people's lives.

- OSF Artistic Director Tim Bond

Tonight's Paddle Raise is dedicated to supporting Tim Bond's Homecoming Season, and to changing the lives of students and young people, to growing and inspiring the theatre-makers and theatre-goers of tomorrow.

In addition to OSF on-campus Education & Engagement Programs, the 2025 season will see:

The School Visit Program – This 40-year-old program lives again with two teams of Teaching Artist/Actors who travel the West Coast and bring theater to communities that cannot get to OSF. They perform, teach workshops, have talkbacks, and inspire hundreds of students.

The FAIR Experience – Founded in 2005 by Associate Artistic Director—now Artistic Director—Tim Bond, FAIR (Fellowships, Assistantships, Internships, and Residencies), creates a doorway for aspiring theatre artists, artisans, and administrators to access training, experience, and mentorship at OSF, and to take that precious learning forward.

Please raise your paddle high for the theatre-makers and audiences of tomorrow!

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“Home” - lyrics and music by *Charlie Smalls*

“Coming Home Oregon” - lyrics and music by *Matt Kearney*

Excerpts from plays by *August Wilson and William Shakespeare*

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