



SOUTH BAY COMMUNITY CONCERT ASSOCIATION  
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## BACKSTAGE WITH SBCCA

### *SBCCA President's Message*

Welcome to our fall 2017 issue of "*Backstage*". We wish to give a warm welcome to all our renewed subscribers as well as all of our new subscribers. This season should be another fabulous one, beginning with tonight's concert *Pavlo*, "A True World Artist".

#### **Subscriptions for 2017-18**

We are happy to announce to our members that we have met the first financial goal of this new season to cover this season's expenses. However, we are shy in meeting our annual membership goal and need your help to accomplish this. We are presenting 6 (six) outstanding live performances which should entice many more subscribers. They can enjoy **all** of these professional performances for \$75.00 per adult or \$35.00 per youth. As a matter of fact, one of our main presentations is also playing at a local venue at a cost of \$80.00 per ticket.

Our local Daily Breeze newspaper advises that we offer ***The Best Concert Deal in Town!***

For our season subscription of \$75.00 you not only get that performance but 5 (five) additional excellent performances. Help us by telling your friends, relatives and acquaintances about our superb programs and suggest they subscribe by visiting our web site or purchasing a subscription at the box office. Any question(s) about subscribing are to be directed to Noel Castle at (310) 374-4329.

#### **Dates and Times**

Note that all the dates in our brochure are current. Please be reminded that you can always trust your **tickets** for the **correct dates for all performances**. *F.Y.I.* Have you noticed that a single colorful ticket for each performance has replaced the single season ticket we have had in the past? If for any reason you cannot attend a specific concert, could you please think about giving your ticket to someone else? By doing so, you will be helping SBCCA attract potential new subscribers.



**Dave Knauer, *President SBCCA***

#### **Our Goals**

We wish to continue to improve our relationships with you, our subscribers. We have a great website...SEE [www.southbayconcerts.org](http://www.southbayconcerts.org). It is informative and will allow you to purchase memberships and single concert ticket(s). Lori Logan, our Vice President, can also be contacted for these tickets at (310) 567-6982.

Finally, our board is very excited about this new season. Your comments and suggestions are always welcome. Try Facebook or contacting a board member. I am hoping you will agree that this season will be one of the best in a long line of the 58-year history of SBCCA.

#### **Poet's Corner**

*So, comes fall with brown leaves falling.*

*With autumnal colorings like the sun.*

*Reminding us that summer is passing*

*And a new concert season has begun.*

*(Poem submitted by SBCCA member Tom Walsh)*

*Jacqueline Campion, Editor-in-Chief*





***Rick Finken, Treasurer***

Rick is a native Californian, born at California Hospital in downtown L.A. His family moved to Manhattan Beach in the late 40's and that is where he grew up. His house on 36<sup>th</sup> Street cost only \$8,000 at the time! He enjoyed the beach every day with his friends in the summer - swimming, belly boarding and surfing. In 1960 his family moved to Redondo Beach. Rick and his wife, Miki, live at that same location now, although in a home they built 10 years ago.

After graduating from Mira Costa High School in 1961, he attended Long Beach State, then USC graduating in 1966 with a BS in Petroleum Engineering and in 1968 with a MS in the same field. He was hired by Texaco in 1967 and stayed with them for 32 years, enjoying great assignments in California, Alaska, New York and Houston. He was able to travel the world – Australia, China, Europe, Scandinavia and Russia. While in Houston, he took a retirement package in 1999 and in 2000 moved back to Redondo Beach. Subsequent to his retirement, he did consulting work for the City of Long Beach, Department of Oil Properties from which he again retired in 2010.

He met his wife, Miki, at the dental office where she worked and has been married for 45 years. They have two daughters and a son. Now with 8 grandchildren, they can be assured frequent visits at their beach home.

They enjoy traveling and taking pilgrimages to Italy and Spain along with members of St. James Church. They keep busy enjoying cruises, road trips with family and friends, sightseeing the Pacific Northwest, Kansas, Georgia and Texas.

Rick looks forward to filling the huge “Treasurer” boots of his predecessor, Fayze Fendy whose capable stewardship is allowing for a smooth transition.



***Doris Gilchrist, Board Member***

Doris comes to us from Canada where she majored in Interior Design and graduated from Architectural School. And so it followed that when she came to southern California, she opened her own business locally, called Design 11.

*How did we join SBCCA?* Doris and Jim were given tickets to a concert about 12 years ago and the next thing they knew, Dick Johnson (on the board at that time and now Past President) talked Jim into joining the board. While Jim (who recently passed on) was busy with the efforts of the organization, Doris assisted for several years on the program committee. She continues to be active on our board helping with our mailings and promotions as well as greeting our members at the door when they arrive.

On a personal note, Doris has 3 children, all living in California and 3 granddaughters – twins 10 years old and the other, aged 25, is attending Long Beach State

Since retiring, Doris spends her time playing bridge and being involved in a Widowed Persons group as well as organizations that are both social and philanthropic.



## **OUR CONCERT LOCATION**

Redondo Union High School auditorium is once again providing us with a wonderful stage and seating location. We are grateful to them and to the band members who provide the refreshments for our performances. Please continue to support them.