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The Cabot to Host An Evening With Patti Austin

*Fundraising benefit and concert to launch theater's year-long
100th anniversary celebration*

(Beverly, MA – December 19, 2019) The Cabot is pleased to announce the official details of its Cabot 100 launch party with “An Evening With Patti Austin” on Thursday, January 23rd.

Presented by [SV Design](#) and [Over My Shoulder Foundation](#), and [Northshore Magazine](#), the fundraising benefit will feature a performance from [Grammy winner Patti Austin](#), who is donating her time to help raise money for The Cabot. Patti Austin and songwriter Dawn Carroll founded the [Over My Shoulder Foundation](#) to raise awareness of the impact of mentoring, which Austin credits to helping her in her career. Austin also has a close connection with the design community. Thad Siemasko, a founder at The Cabot and a Principal of SV Design, along with Principals Jean Verbridge and Tobin Shulman, are hosting the fundraiser. Members of the design community will be invited to attend.

Proceeds directly benefit [The Cabot 100 capital campaign](#), which aims to raise \$6.8 million to [complete the renovations](#) started five years ago, culminating in The Cabot's 100th birthday year-long events and parties in 2020. Most recently, The Cabot raised \$1M at the conclusion of its fall fundraising event in October, featuring a performance by Michael Carbonaro of “The Carbonaro Effect.”

“We are so incredibly grateful to Patti and our presenting partners for donating their time, effort, and resources to our cause as we inch even closer to our 100th anniversary,” said J. Casey Soward, Executive Director of The Cabot. “The evening will be our true launch of our centennial year and we can’t wait to celebrate one hundred years of The Cabot with the North Shore community and beyond. This is just the beginning - we’ll be rolling out a full schedule of exciting events, so stay tuned!”

The evening will also pay tribute to former Cabot-employee Josh Robinson, who passed away earlier this year, with a portion of the funds raised going to the Northshore Recovery after school program held at The Cabot. Through this program, The Cabot seeks to mentor students from Northshore Recovery High School (NSRHS), where Josh was a graduate, as they explore the many aspects of the performing arts. It is The Cabot's hope to spark an interest in the arts as a profession, in much the same way that Josh was inspired, as he worked his way up from stage hand to director of lighting in a few short years.

There are two types of tickets available for purchase for the evening: VIP and performance only. Tickets for Patti Austin performance only can be purchased online at [TheCabot.org](https://thecabot.org) or at The Cabot box office. VIP tickets include premium orchestra seating for the performance along with an invite to the pre-performance party, which will include food, drinks, and a silent auction. More information about the fundraiser event and VIP tickets can be found on The Cabot's website at <https://thecabot.org/cabot100events>.

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About The Cabot

For nearly a century, The Cabot in Beverly has been a local treasure, a dream palace at the heart of the downtown, and a welcoming gathering place for generations of North Shore residents. Originally known as The Ware, this opulent, neoclassical-style theater was built in 1920 by the renowned architectural firm Funk & Wilcox. Originally used for vaudeville shows and silent movies, it was later owned by the movie chain E.M. Loews. In 1976, The Cabot was purchased by Le Grand David and his own Spectacular Magic Company, and for the next 36 years was home to this world-famous magic show. The Cabot is now being transformed into a 21st century venue for audiences of all ages, with nationally recognized live performers, current and classic movies and community events. Since its reopening in November 2014, The Cabot is once again a vital part of the North Shore's artistic life. The Cabot will celebrate its 100th anniversary all year long in 2020, with aim to complete renovations by its 100th birthday on December 8th, 2020. For more information, visit <https://thecabot.org>.