

PLAY IT FORWARD



More music. More voices. More opportunities.

When you give a gift to both our annual fund and our 50th Anniversary Play It Forward campaign, you help sustain GTCYS' year-round programming and set the stage for the future!

Since 1972, GTCYS has inspired 16,000 Minnesota students, instilling lifelong values like teamwork, excellence, and self-expression through music. Creating opportunities for students throughout the community has and will always be at the heart of what we do.

Join us in celebrating GTCYS' 50th Anniversary as we set the stage for the next 50 years of music, mentorship, and community. Every gift to our Play It Forward campaign – be it \$50 or \$5,000 – impacts current and future students through GTCYS' access, diversity, excellence, and enrichment initiatives.



Your gift to GTCYS' Play It Forward Campaign will impact students through three key initiatives:

- **Expand private lessons program:** Private lessons are the great equalizer. By expanding GTCYS' scholarship program for private lessons, more students will excel individually and in GTCYS, benefiting in lifelong ways.
- **Launch "Pathway Scholarships":** By creating a new Pathway Scholarships program with multi-year tuition support, more students of color will benefit from longer-term participation, artistic growth, and personal development.
- **Support special artistic initiatives:** Special projects with professional artists, new commissions, and touring initiatives will create meaningful experiences and well-rounded learning opportunities to inspire every GTCYS musician.



"Now more than ever we need people to understand that the arts and music are essential to life, not just a luxury. Even if the students do not enter into a musical career, they will carry that feeling of accomplishing something as a group and feeling the beauty and power of what music can do."

– Kari Docter, GTCYS alum and cellist, Metropolitan Opera

Whether you make a first-time gift or add on to your annual fund gift, the outcomes are the same:

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- \$35:** 1 private lesson for a student
- \$70:** 2 private lessons for a student
- \$100:** 3 private lessons for a student
- \$250:** 7 private lessons for a student
- \$500:** 14 private lessons for a student
- \$1,000:** A full year of tuition for a student
- \$1,500:** An entire year of lessons for a student
- \$2,000:** A full 2-year scholarship for a student
- \$2,500:** 1 year of lessons and a full scholarship
- \$3,000:** A full Pathway Scholarship
- \$5,000:** A commissioned piece
- \$10,000:** 3 full Pathway Scholarships
- \$15,000:** 5 full Pathway Scholarships
- \$25,000:** 1 year of artistic initiatives



Give online at gtcys.org/donate/50years.

Thank you!