# "...an oasis of peace and culture."

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#### **MISSION**

Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization and is the historic home of the founder of the city of San Clemente. Casa Romantica provides programs for all ages in arts, music, history, horticulture, and literature and is a premier Southern California cultural center.

## **Donor Stories**

#### **DR. RON REDMOND**



Dr. Redmond has been an active supporter of Casa Romantica for more than 20 years. He and his late wife Margaret Redmond,

supported our children's music programs since inception. In 2021, he started a memorial fund in her honor to fund music education at Casa Romantica. Recently, Dr. Redmond has agreed to match every donation made to our 2023 End of Year campaign. In addition, he is underwriting our 23-24 Casa Jazz series. Both gifts are part of a larger pledge made in the wake of the landslide to give \$250,000 over the next five years for ongoing support of our amazing arts and historical preservation programs.

#### YVONNE BOSEKER



Yvonne Boseker is a proud supporter of the arts and a generous friend of Casa Romantica. Since 2021 Yvonne has donated to Casa Romantica's art exhibitions, cultural programming, and

Emergency Landslide Campaign. She also displayed select pieces from her esteemed collection of California masterworks alongside Rick J. Delanty's work at Casa Romantica's *Inspired by History* exhibition displayed in spring and summer of 2023. As an active President's Circle Member, Yvonne appreciates and supports every aspect of our core mission.



## Casa by the Numbers

FY 2022-23

**VOLUNTEER HOURS** 11,000

**CHILD VISITORS** 2,100

**CULTURAL EVENTS** 150

MEMBERSHIPS 1,000

SINCE 2013

**VISITORS** 221,944

**CHILDREN SERVED** 31,000





### Timeline

#### **July 2022**

Fiscal Year Begins

#### August 2022

August 30: Casa Romantica ended our 2021-22 Casa Captivating Season strongly

#### September 2022

September 4: 95<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the building. September 17: 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Toast to the Casa.

#### October 2022

October 27-29: Over 1,500 people are welcomed for Casa Creepy Haunted House.

#### **November 2022**

November 21: Casa Romantica hires a horticultural manager

#### December 2022

December 1-22: Over 1,200 people are welcomed here during Casa Lumina Holiday Walk.

#### January 2023

January 2: Unveils brand new website.

#### February 2023

February 5: Casa Romantica hosts the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Lunar New Year Festival on D. Yoder Family Sundays.

#### March 2023

March 10: An Evening with Alicia Olatuja is postponed due to unprecedented rain.

#### April 2023

April 27: Landslide closes our doors temporarily.

#### **May 2023**

May 26: Casa Romantica reopens to the public.

#### June 2023

June 5: Casa Romantica launches our digital guide on Bloomberg Connects, the free arts and culture app.

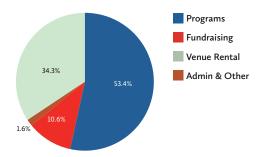
Fiscal Year Ends

### **Financial Health**

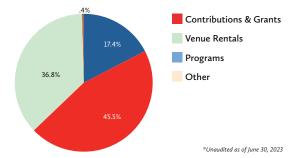
#### ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGETS



#### **ORGANIZATIONAL EXPENSES\***



#### **ORGANIZATIONAL REVENUE\***







## **Landslide Impacts**

#### In 56 days we lost:

- 20% of the Casa grounds which contained over 400 plants including unique varieties and rare, historic plants dating back to 1927
- 3 of 5 major performance and rental spaces that host everything from weddings and private events to Casa Romantica's arts and culture programming which provide vital revenue for our non-profit
- \$400,000 in private event revenue that was refunded due to the initial closure and ongoing diminished rental space

The city-funded bluff repair is underway and is estimated to take 12 months to complete which means Casa Romantica's typical revenue streams will be disrupted for the coming year. Our year-long Rebuilding Hope, Restoring History fundraising campaign must raise \$750,000 to offset the revenue disruption, allowing us to continue to care for our home and gardens. With your help, we will continue Casa Romantica's legacy.

## **Looking Ahead**

With the generous support of our members, donors, and volunteers, Casa Romantica will continue to serve our mission and provide artistic opportunities to students, children, and people of all ages.

## **Building Hope Preserving History -** *restoring our historic home*

Our goal in the next year is to rehabilitate our affected gardens and expand our historic preservation after the landslide.

# Endowment Fund - an investment in friendship, culture and world class entertainment

A donation to Casa Romantica's Endowment Fund at the Orange County Community Foundation adds to a growing funding base that will ensure Casa Romantica's mission is supported for years to come! Additionally, thanks to a generous anonymous donor, all gifts are currently being matched at a 1 to 3 ratio. For example, your gift of \$15,000 to Casa Romantica's Endowment Fund will be matched to become \$20,000.

