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Stephanie Simas



Karen Kennan

PACE “Tapas & Tunes at the Triton” Event *un Suceso!* *Preschool Parent, Stephanie Simas, was Keynote Speaker*

Santa Clara, CA, Nov. 13, 2015 – On Sunday, November 8th, supporters of Pacific Autism Center for Education (PACE) came together to celebrate the program, which benefits children and adults living with autism in the San Francisco Bay Area. After past event attendees mentioned “gala fatigue,” the PACE team offered up “Tapas & Tunes at the Triton,” a Spanish-themed event held at the Triton Museum of Art in Santa Clara. The event was a great success, and the gross numbers show that supporters raised over \$92,500 for PACE programs! The silent auction was buzzing all night and the Fund a Need brought in \$35,000. PACE’s Sunny Days Preschool parent, Stephanie Simas, was the keynote speaker at the event, noting the difficulty for most parents to find appropriate services for their child with autism.

The funds raised will support PACE’s mission of providing high-quality programs for individuals with autism and its related developmental disabilities. These programs include early intervention therapies, the preschool, a school for students aged 6-22, and 6 residential group homes.

“We really tried to give our many generous supporters a break from the same event year after year. We wanted to create a unique, enjoyable, and uplifting event for our parents, staff and benefactors,” noted Assistant Executive Director Karen Kennan. “We are so pleased to offer a relaxing way for parents and caregivers to have an evening of fun while having a chance to support their child’s school or group home.”

PACE would like to thank all guests, corporate and individual sponsors and supporters who made this event successful. Special thanks go out to Platinum Sponsor, TurnKey Mortgage Solutions, and Gold Sponsors, Marcia and John Goldman.

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About PACE: Founded in 1989, Pacific Autism Center for Education provides high-quality programs for individuals with autism and its related developmental disabilities. PACE operates a non-public school for ages 6-22, offers Early Intervention therapy services including Sunny Days Preschool (www.sunnydayspreschool.com), and operates two children and four adult group homes in Santa Clara County. EIN: 77-0259858. www.pacificautism.org facebook.com/pacificautismce

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