# INVITATION

#### CLEVELAND POPS ORCHESTRA G-CLEF BALL

April 26, 2025



Honoring Gina Vernaci

Past President of Playhouse Square
for her continued work in the community

and presenting arts in Cleveland.

### The 2025 Cleveland Pops G-Clef Ball

Please join us for an elegant evening benefiting the Cleveland Pops Orchestra.

Saturday, April 26, 2025

Landerhaven 6111 Landerhaven Drive Mayfield Heights, Ohio 44124

6:00 pm V.I.P. Champagne Reception

6:30 pm Cocktails - Hors D'oeuvres - Silent Auction

7:00 pm Dinner - Entertainment & Dancing to the Cleveland Pops Orchestra

Tickets \$350 per person
Table Sponsorships (see enclosed card)

## Gina Vernaci

#### Our 2025 G-Clef Ball Honoree



As President and Chief Executive Officer of Playhouse Square Center in Cleveland, Ohio, Gina Vernaci was responsible for all operations of the not-for-profit performing arts center. This included five (5), fully restored historic theaters and six (6) additional performance venues, more than 1,000 annual performances, a real estate portfolio of 6.5M sq.ft., and an education program which served over 200,000 students annually from

across the Northern Ohio region. She led a full-time and part-time staff of 500 employees as well as a volunteer corps of 2000.

Gina pioneered initiatives that have positioned Playhouse Square as the region's premier cultural, tourist and entertainment destination and the country's largest performing arts center, second only to New York City's Lincoln Center. She built the center's KeyBank Broadway series into a powerhouse of 48,000 subscribers, the largest subscription base in North America at the time.

Nationally, Vernaci is a Lifetime Tony voter and former Vice Chair of the Broadway League, the trade association for Broadway. She is a co-producer of Broadway musicals in New York, London and US tours as noted with her involvement with *The Wiz, Real Women Have Curves* and *Clueless*. In addition, she has joined forces with B Scene, an agency dedicated to helping secure sponsorships for Broadway tours across America.

She holds a BA from the University of Missouri Kansas City, an MS in Urban Studies from Cleveland State University and an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from Baldwin Wallace University.

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