

For Immediate Release—

Judge Luckey, Managing Artistic Director of the Palo Alto Children’s Theatre to be honored as the 2022 Kiwanis Angel Award recipient on November 10, 2022.

The Kiwanis Angel Award, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Palo Alto, honors an individual who has had a significant, positive impact on children and youth and provides a \$2,500 contribution to the recipient’s organization.

The award reception will be held on November 10, 5:30–7:30 PM, at the El Palo Alto Room, Mitchell Park Community Center, 3700 Middlefield Rd, Palo Alto, the event is co-sponsored by the City of Palo Alto. 100% of the sponsor funds raised for the Angel Award in 2022 will benefit programs, services, and scholarships for children and youth in the greater Palo Alto area through the Kiwanis Club of Palo Alto Charitable Foundation. Information on sponsorship opportunities or to buy event tickets (\$60 per person) can be found online at <http://kiwanisangelaward.org>.

The Kiwanis Club of Palo Alto is an inclusive, welcoming community service organization. We do not discriminate in our membership, service projects or financial contributions, on any basis other than the desire to serve. We work to eliminate barriers to participation against any group.

The 2022 Kiwanis Angel is:



Judge Luckey, Managing Artistic Director of Palo Alto Children’s Theatre

In his thirteen years as Managing Artistic Director of the 90-year-old institution, Luckey has made it his mission to include every child with an interest in theatre in the Children’s Theatre programs. The programs include: a theatre outreach program to 6 of the 12 Palo Alto elementary and middle schools each year, a movement and dance program in all K-3rd grade schools in Palo Alto, a theatre program with adult performers that provide a theater show during the school day that PACT helps transport over 11,000 school kids from all over the Bay Area to the performances, a Teen Arts Council started in 2009 as a way to give voice to local teens and a

place to express themselves, a joint program with the Magical Bridge Foundation performing “Hot dog shows” for children with special needs and many other shows performed at the Lucie Sterne Children’s Theatre.

For the children who participate at the Palo Alto Children’s Theater program, Mr. Luckey becomes a life-changing mentor, fierce advocate, and trusted advisor to the entire family, a man who is deeply committed to the wellbeing and success of each child under his direction.

Praise from parents in the PACT community:

“The best part is building community and working together to make a show great. Learning new skills and the kids being trusted to carry them out.”

“Participating in this program is always one of the highlights of my daughter's year. I can see how much it helps her, in terms of self confidence, and in finding a community of peers who are both creative and kind. We are so lucky to have the Children's Theatre in our community!”

“Mr. Luckey is that rare individual, truly a community treasure, whose extraordinary service and exemplary dedication to positively influence our youth cannot be overstated.”