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Comedy Legend Paula Poundstone Returns to the Carpenter Center on Sat., Dec. 11

Stand-up show welcomes comedy back to the Carpenter Center after nearly two years

LONG BEACH, California — The Richard and Karen Carpenter Performing Arts Center welcomes comedian Paula Poundstone back to the stage for one night of highly anticipated stand-up comedy. Known for her ability to create humor on the spot, Paula Poundstone is a crowd-pleasing favorite, with her performance marking her fourth appearance at the Carpenter Center and her last West Coast show this year. Paula shares her whip-smart observations and her spontaneous wit on December 11th at 8 p.m.

"Paula Poundstone's comic sensibility is the perfect guide to help us navigate our times," says Carpenter Center's Executive Director Megan Kline Crockett. "I can't think of a more esteemed humorist to help welcome laughter back into our theatre."

Recognized as one of Comedy Central's 100 Greatest Stand-Ups Of All Time, the Emmy Award-winning humorist is the first woman to win the cable ACE for Best Standup Comedy Special, and the first woman to perform standup at the prestigious White House Correspondents' Dinner. *Time* magazine listed her HBO comedy special as one of their "5 Funniest Stand-Up Specials Ever." The author, host, and actor is also heard regularly as a panelist on NPR's popular weekly news quiz show *Wait, Wait...Don't Tell Me!*

Event Details

An Evening with Paula Poundstone

When: Saturday, December 11 at 8:00 p.m. / Doors open at 7:30 p.m.Venue: Richard and Karen Carpenter Performing Arts Center at 6200 E. Atherton St. Long Beach, CA 90815

Tickets: \$60, available online at <u>carpenterarts.org</u>.

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Additional ticketing information is available at <u>carpenterarts.org/ticket-office</u>.

Press photos are available at carpenterarts.org/press.

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Attendance Information

Attendees must be fully vaccinated and show proof of vaccination or a recent negative test result. Masks are required. For details, see <u>carpenterarts.org/faq</u>.

About the Carpenter Center

Now celebrating its 26th season, the Richard and Karen Carpenter Performing Arts Center located on the California State University, Long Beach campus gracefully accommodates large and small productions, seating 1,054 patrons. Each season, the Carpenter Center showcases emerging and established musicians, dancers, actors, speakers, comedians, and visual artists, as well as other artistic, educational, and cultural experiences that enrich lives, promote lifelong learning in and through the performing arts and serve as a gateway between the university and the greater community.

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