



# SPOTLIGHT 2026

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OHIO STATE SENATOR  
**NICKIE J. ANTONIO**

**Music Box**

OCTOBER 9, 2026



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# WELCOME TO SPOTLIGHT 2026!

Thank you for joining us at the spectacular Music Box Supper Club as we celebrate and shine a Spotlight on Beck Center for the Arts!

Your generosity tonight helps make it possible for Beck Center to inspire, enrich, and transform lives through dynamic arts experiences. From professional performances and arts education to exhibits, community programs, and opportunities to create, Beck Center welcomes people of all ages and abilities to discover the transformative power of the arts.

We are grateful to have you with us tonight and proud to celebrate the vibrant creative community we share.

Thank you for being a part of the Beck Center Community!

## **PRESIDENT & CEO OF BECK CENTER FOR THE ARTS**

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## **SPOTLIGHT HONOREE**

Ohio State Senator Nickie J. Antonio



## **HONORARY CO-CHAIRS**

Joyce & Wally Senney

## **COMMITTEE CO-CHAIRS**

Cindy Einhouse, Sandy Sauder, & Ellen Todia

## **SPOTLIGHT TABLE HOSTS**

Sandy Sauder | Kathy & Ken Haber | Wally & Joyce Senney  
Richard Fox | Brad & Marge Richmond | Robin Richmond

## **APPLAUSE ANGEL TICKET HOLDERS**

Cheryl Stephens | Judge Tess Neff | Linda Rich



## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Cocktails & Passed Appetizers  
Silent Auction with mobile bidding  
Raffle with mobile ticket purchase

### **COCKTAIL HOUR & ENTERTAINMENT**

Live Painting by Melinda Placko  
Live Piano by Denise Eikum  
Interactive Photo Booth

### **DINNER & WELCOME**

Food Prepared by Music Box Supper Club  
Welcome from Richard Fox, Chair, Board of Directors &  
President & CEO Edward P. Gallagher, LPMT, MT-BC  
Honorary Video by Joyce & Wally Senney

## **RECOGNITION OF HONOREE** **Ohio State Senator Nickie J. Antonio**

### **FEATURED PERFORMERS**

Emerson Gottlieb & Cooper Campbell  
with accompaniment by Sarah Nelson  
Performing selections from *How to Dance in Ohio* & *Dear Evan Hansen*  
Members of the Rocky River Adult Activities Center Choir  
and Beck Center's Next Level Theater  
with Tracy Ammon and Brooke Weaver  
**and a very special surprise guest!**

### **PADDLE RAISE**

Darren Toms

**AUCTION CLOSING & RAFFLE TICKETS ARE DRAWN AT 9PM**

### **EVENING ENTERTAINMENT**

**DJ Mike Radzimski - Full Length Audio**

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# MENU

## PASSED HORS D' OEUVRES

Margherita Bruschetta (V)

Mini Chicken & Waffle

## SALAD

Mixed Greens, Cucumber, Tomatoes, Red Onion &  
Carrots with a House Italian Vinaigrette  
served with rolls and butter

## ENTREES

Bourbon Apple Chicken Breast Seated with  
Apple Cider Bourbon Reduction Topped with a  
Graham Cracker Breaded Apple  
served with roasted potatoes & broccolini

Panko, Bacon, and Dill Crusted Walleye  
served with roasted potatoes & broccolini

Gnocchi with Basil Pesto (V)

## DESSERT

Crème Brûlée





# SPOTLIGHT

**State Senator Nickie J. Antonio (D-Lakewood)** is honored to represent District 23 and serve as Minority Leader in the Ohio Senate. Antonio, who was first elected to the Senate in 2018 and again in 2022, previously spent eight years in the Ohio House of Representatives representing District 13. Antonio has previously worked as a Lakewood City Councilmember, Executive Director of an outpatient drug and alcohol treatment program for women, Adjunct Professor and a teacher for children with special needs.

In addition to her role as Minority Leader, Antonio serves as Ranking Member on the Senate Transportation Committee. She also sits on the Rules and Reference, Joint Legislative Ethics Committee, Legislative Service Commission and has experience on the Senate Finance; Ways and Means; and Workforce and Higher Education Committees, in addition to the Ohio Redistricting Commission. Additionally, she is a member of the Ohio House Democratic Women's Caucus, previously as chair, and is the past State Director for the National Women Legislators' Lobby.

She has been a dedicated champion of workers' rights, high-quality education, equal rights for women and the LGBTQ+ community, health care for all and a leader in fighting the opioid crisis. Antonio has received numerous awards for outstanding legislative leadership, including the Cleveland State University Distinguished Alumni of the Year Award from the Maxine Levin College of Urban Affairs and the 2019 ACAR J. Howard Battle Equal Opportunity in Housing Award from the Akron/Cleveland Association of Realtors.

Antonio is recognized in the General Assembly as a leader who reaches across the aisle to get things done and an established expert in health policy. She championed Ohio's historic bipartisan adoption open records law and step therapy reform law, as well as passed legislation abolishing the shackling of pregnant inmates and requiring pharmacist education for dispensing life-saving naloxone. During her tenure, Antonio has introduced the Ohio Fairness Act in every General Assembly since 2011, which would provide civil rights protections for members of the LGBTQ+ community. She continues to work to end Ohio's use of the death penalty, as well as on many other bills to improve the lives of all Ohioans.

# HONOREE



**OHIO STATE SENATOR  
NICKIE J. ANTONIO**



Antonio has made a number of historic firsts in the Ohio General Assembly. In 2010, she became the first member of the LGBTQ+ community ever elected to the Ohio House of Representatives in the 208-year history of the Ohio General Assembly. She was also the first LGBTQ+ member to hold a leadership position when she was elected Minority Whip in the 131st General Assembly. In 2018, she became the first woman elected to hold the Senate District 23 seat and the first member of the LGBTQ+ community ever elected to the Ohio Senate. She continues historic firsts with her Senate leadership position of Minority Whip, followed by Assistant Minority Leader in 2021, and current position of Minority Leader.

The first in her family to graduate from college, she holds both an M.P.A. and a B.S. Ed. from Cleveland State University. She was named a CSU Distinguished Alumni in 2013. She is also an alumnus of the Bohnett Fellow of the Kennedy School Harvard Leadership Program (2011).

Her daughters, Ariel and Stacey, have made Antonio and her wife, Jean Kosmac, very proud as the girls engage in their adult life journeys.



## **SPOTLIGHT AUCTION ITEMS**

**Silent auction bidding will close at 9:00 p.m.**

1. Checkout stations will open 20 minutes after the final auction activity.
2. There is no early checkout. Winning bids will be charged to the credit card associated with the winning bid number. Checks may be made out to Beck Center for the Arts.
3. Unless otherwise noted, gift certificates and items are non-transferable and expire one year from today.
4. For scheduled items, please make arrangements well in advance with the donor, as instructed
5. Silent Auction will close at 9:00 pm. Notifications regarding the silent auction will be made via text. If you are bidding via a "Bid Buddy," remain in contact with them regarding your bid status, or stop by the checkout station to speak with Beck Center staff.
6. Beck Center for the Arts disclaims all warranties for any auction goods or services. Items purchased are "as is" with no warranties, express or implied. Descriptions of quality, characteristics and qualifications related to auction items are not guaranteed.



**TO PLACE YOUR BID ON SILENT AUCTION ITEMS,  
SIMPLY SCAN THE QR CODE, ALSO LOCATED  
ON THE BACK PAGE OF THE PROGRAM.**

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Beck Center for the Arts dedicated staff, faculty, and volunteers

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## **PAST SPOTLIGHT HONOREES**

Tony Stewart and Rock & Roll Hall of Fame (2013) | Paul Clark & PNC (2014) | Tom Fraser & First Federal Lakewood (2015) | David Dombrowiak & Community West Foundation (2016) | Cecilia Render & Nordson Corporation Foundation (2017) | Iris November & Rosemary Corcoran (2018) | Better Kemper, Lynda Sackett, and Melanie Szucs (2019) | Wally & Joyce Senney and Scott Spence (2021) | The George Gund Foundation (2022) | Richard Kay (2023) | Fowler Family Foundation (2024) | Tom & Cindy Einhouse (2025)

## **HOUSE INFORMATION AND WIFI**

Restrooms are located on the left when you are headed towards the rooftop deck. Wifi information will be provided by Music Box Supper Club.

**We encourage you to post any of your Spotlight Gala related fun  
to social media with #BeckSpotlight**

*Thank you!*



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Share the joy of learning together, build confidence side-by-side, and turn dance into a family tradition. From ballet basics to expressive movement, there's a place for every dancer at Beck Center.

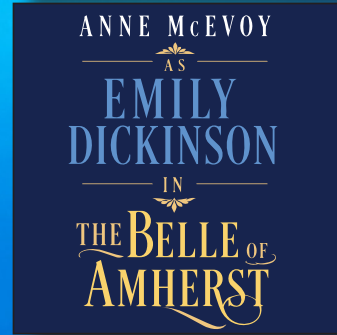
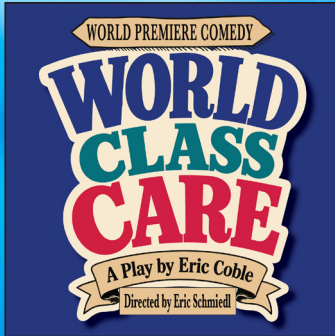
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