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CSMA Announces Plan to Expand at Finn Center Campus

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA – The Community School of Music and Arts (CSMA) in Mountain View announces plans to expand the current Finn Center campus, located at 230 San Antonio Circle. The new project will include a 3,350 square foot state-of-the-art wing, allowing CSMA to greatly increase the number of students engaged and inspired through arts education.

As the region's largest nonprofit center dedicated to arts education, CSMA brings quality art and music education to thousands of students across Silicon Valley each year. Since CSMA's Finn Center opened in 2004, demand for programs has increased, along with waiting lists. The School's capacity to serve more students will grow by the addition of more private lesson studios, classrooms and multi-purpose space, as well as much-needed additional parking.

In 2006, with the assistance of longtime supporters Ruth and Roy Rogers, CSMA purchased the property adjacent to Finn Center. Ruth, who passed away in September of this year, was a dedicated music teacher and founder of the music education programs in Mountain View. When she retired from teaching, the programs were transferred to CSMA, where they have continued to grow to more than 50 schools in Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties. Both Ruth and Roy Rogers have been dedicated to the School's mission of *Arts4All* for decades.

The new wing, to be named in the Rogers' honor, will serve approximately 25% more students with arts education programs. The new state-of-the-art classrooms and digital lab will offer a 21st century learning experience. In addition, the space will host the school's extensive collection of sheet music for all instruments and all musical genres, as well as provide much-needed expanded storage space for CSMA's instrument collection.

"Every day we see the power of the arts to transform lives," said Vickie Scott Grove, Executive Director of CSMA. "It's time to transform our space to ensure we can continue to serve our community with meaningful engagement in the arts. We will launch the public campaign to support the new wing in January and invite the entire community to be part of the project." Seed funders of the project includes members of CSMA's Board of Directors, the David and Lucile Packard Foundation, the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, the Morgan Family Foundation, Asset Management Company, Ruth and Roy Rogers, and Stephen Finn.

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Founded in 1968, the Community School of Music and Arts is Northern California's largest non-profit provider of arts education programs. With a \$6 million budget and 160-member staff and faculty, CSMA is one of the ten largest community schools in the United States. Located in the heart of Silicon Valley, one of the global capitals of creativity, CSMA is dedicated to making the arts and arts education accessible to all, regardless of age, experience, background or financial means. Headquartered in the award-winning Finn Center in the City of Mountain View, CSMA directly serves over 26,000 people of all ages, skill levels and economic means each year, including over 18,000 students at 50+ schools in San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties.

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