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## PASADENA SHOWCASE HOUSE FOR THE ARTS IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR ITS 31st ANNUAL INSTRUMENTAL COMPETITION

Submission Deadline is September 26, 2016

(JULY 29, 2016)--PASADENA, CA— Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts (PSHA) is accepting applications for its 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Instrument Competition to be held on Saturday, October 22, 2016. The competition is open to string and woodwind musicians ages 16-23 and brass musicians ages 17-24 who reside or attend school in Southern California. Up to \$30,000 will be awarded to finalists in these categories.

Applications and audition materials can be submitted online through <a href="https://www.PasadenaShowcase.org">www.PasadenaShowcase.org</a>. Contestant must demonstrate musical proficiency by preparing the appropriate classical repertoire listed in the application. Deadline for completed submissions is Monday, September 26 at 8:00pm.

The Pasadena Showcase House Instrumental Competition has awarded more than \$500,000 in prize money since it began in 1985. String, woodwind and brass musicians compete for individual prizes ranging from \$500 to \$6,000 to further their education. The judging panel includes members of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra. The prize monies for the Instrumental Competition are provided from the proceeds of the PSHA annual fundraiser, the Pasadena Showcase House of Design. Many competitors have gone on to have distinguished careers in music and it is a source of pride to PSHA to have contributed to their education.

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