

July 2009

Dear Friend and Patron:

Why does everyone need something now? What are the times we live in regarding the 'sharing' community? How do we prioritize our gifts? One might ask these questions which results in writing or not writing that check.

Marian Anderson wrote a check investing in the future of our youth, and the professionalism of our adult population. It may not have been just a 'paper' check, but rather an investment in what happened in American history for the African-American, and anyone striving for the opportunity to share a gift in the arts, in the media, and in global society. She opened heavy doors, and paved golden roads with her silvery, angelic voice. With courage and tenacity, commitment to excellence and humanity, her work has become our legacy. Marian Anderson's dream and reality, transported into light and sound, exist now for the entire world to know and embrace.

We are asking that you make a commitment to support the Marian Anderson's Scholars Program. Your tax exempt gift of \$1,000, \$10,000, \$100,000 or anything in between will help the Marian Anderson Scholars and serve as a gift to our youth.

We believe in LIVE, i.e. Legacy, Investment, Voice, and Excellence! Your gift will not only celebrate the life of a world-renowned American treasure, but will continue to "live" in the realm of the arts, the lives of our youth, and the Spirit of mankind's hope for unity and purpose.

Please visit our web site and the accolades of our scholars while remembering the gift of her work, as your pen glides over your check. We are looking forward to your participation in this campaign, and your legendary commitment of the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Blanche Burton Lyles
Founder

Marian Anderson Historical Society

Membership Application

MEZZO...\$100.00 General, Individuals, Artists and Scholars. Membership card and museum tour.

CONTRALTO...\$250.00

Eligible for Directorship and P4P compensation plan. Will receive membership card and museum tour.

SOPRANO...\$1000. Organizations. Membership card, museum tour for 5 guests and gift poster or note cards.

BRAVA...\$1500. Patron. Membership card, Marian Anderson shirt, museum tour for 5 guests, gift poster or note cards and subscription to OPERA NOW (the world's leading Opera magazine).

BELLISSAMA...\$5,000. Benefactor. Membership card, 14k gold Marian Anderson pin, resident tour for 5 guests, gift poster, Marian Anderson CD, note cards and subscription to OPERA NOW magazine, plus mini concert and dinner for 4 at residence. Tour of Birthplace. Includes annual scholarship to MA scholar.

BRAVISAMMO...\$10,000 Corporate. Membership card and Marian Anderson 14k gold lapel pin, resident and Birthplace tour for 5 guests, gift poster, CD, note cards and annual subscription to OPERA NOW magazine, plus a mini concert and dinner for 6 at residence. Includes annual scholarship to MA scholar and signage on the MarianAnderson.org/ web site.

Over \$10,000 is "GRANDIOSO" (Golden Benefactor)

Will receive all of the above and private dinner/concert for 10 at the residence.

All members will receive invitations to all MAHS events & other related events.

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