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**FLORIDA SYMPHONY YOUTH ORCHESTRA BEGINS ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN**  
**Estate of Ms Mary Drake Legge donates \$620,000.00**

**Orlando, FL...** On Sunday, October 19, 2008, at the *Opener Concert* of the Florida Symphony Youth Orchestra, the personal representative of the late Ms Mary Drake Legge presented FSYO Board President, Norberto Katz, Music Director, Andrew Lane, and Executive Director, Kerry McGlone, with a check for \$620,000.00. This generous donation represents Ms Legge's commitment and love for music education in the Central Florida community.

Although Ms Legge gave FSYO no restrictions on her gift, the Board has decided to use the opportunity to form an endowment for the organization. FSYO is the premiere youth orchestra in Central Florida and currently in its 52<sup>nd</sup> season. Ms Legge's generosity ensures FSYO's ability to provide excellent experiences for many generations to come.

The mission of the **Florida Symphony Youth Orchestra** is to provide exceptional educational experiences that motivate students to reach their musical potential and leadership skills while expanding FSYO's presence in the Central Florida cultural and educational communities. The 2008-2009 season is serving 230 students from 70 different schools in 9 Central Florida counties and performs a full concert season.

For more information on the youth orchestra or how to contribute to the endowment, visit [www.fsyo.org](http://www.fsyo.org) or call FSYO's offices at 407.999.7800.

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