



**THE STEVE SILVER FOUNDATION & BEACH BLANKET BABYLON
ANNOUNCE THE RETURN OF
THE ANNUAL “SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE ARTS” PROGRAM**

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\$30,000 to be awarded to Bay Area high school seniors

SAN FRANCISCO (February 12, 2008) – **Producer Jo Schuman Silver, The Steve Silver Foundation** and **Beach Blanket Babylon**, the nation’s longest running musical revue, are proud to announce the return of the annual Steve Silver Foundation and Beach Blanket Babylon “Scholarship for the Arts” program. Created in 2002 as part of its commitment to the arts, the Scholarship program has grown into an event eagerly anticipated by San Francisco Bay Area high schools and the community.

Last year’s program proved, once again, to be extremely successful, with Beach Blanket Babylon receiving hundreds of submissions from high school students all over the San Francisco Bay Area. **Samantha Siegel** (Dance) from Castro Valley High School, **Kim Fischer** (Acting) from Lick-Wilmerding High School and **Angela Travins** (Voice) from San Francisco School of the Arts all received \$10,000 each toward their college education.

High school seniors throughout the San Francisco Bay Area are asked to submit a completed entry form (available online at beachblanketbabylon.com or by calling 415-248-1667) along with a VHS tape, DVD or CD-Rom of a three-minute performance. Entries must be postmarked by Friday, April 25th. Nine finalists (three from each category) will be selected by a panel of performing arts professionals and notified on Monday, May 12th. The top three finalists in each category will perform their three-minute piece live at Club Fugazi on Monday, June 9th in front of celebrity judges and an invited audience made up of their family and friends. One winner from each category will be presented with a \$10,000 check from The Steve Silver Foundation and Beach Blanket Babylon toward higher education.

Steve Silver’s Beach Blanket Babylon has a long-standing commitment to philanthropic efforts in the community and has been involved with numerous charities including the UCSF Cancer Center, Legal Community Against Violence, Make-a-Wish Foundation, the Child Abuse Prevention Society and AIDS Memorial Grove.

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