Winnick Family Foundation Thanked for Support to “Drawing Dreams,” Bringing Art and Artists to Support Hospitalized Children

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Los Angeles, CA (PR WEB) January 27, 2011 - The Drawing Dreams Foundation – which delivers artists, art-activity books and interactive art video games to children’s hospitals across the country, has thanked The Winnick Family Foundation for its support.

Said Derek May, Program Director: “The Winnick Family Foundation is an inspiration to us and people everywhere. Thank you for helping Drawing Dreams brighten the lives of hospitalized children in Los Angeles.”

Gary Winnick stated: “Drawing Dreams, based in Berkeley, California, transforms lives with the art supplies it delivers to sick and recovering young patients at U.S. children's hospitals through its Artist-in-Residence and Child Life programs. I also enjoy the Drawing Dreams website online galleries featuring the beautiful work created by these children and by more than one thousand professional artists who work with these remarkable youngsters during their convalescence.”

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During the past year, Drawing Dreams has also provided art supplies and support to other pediatric care centers including New York Presbyterian Morgan Stanley Children’s Hospital, Boston Children’s Hospital, Maine Medical Center’s Barbara Bush Children’s Hospital, Miami Children’s Hospital, Seattle Children’s Hospital, Benioff Children’s Hospital UCSF, Oakland Children’s Hospital, and Berkeley’s Alta Bates Summit Medical Center and Herrick Cancer Hospital.

About the Winnick Family Foundation

The Winnick Family Foundation encourages project-specific programs but also selectively supports capital campaigns and unrestricted gifts to grantee organizations. There is a preference for projects in Los Angeles and New York – or for those having an international component.
Foundation naming grants include:

- Winnick Family Clinical Research Institute at Cedars Sinai Hospital
- Winnick House at the C.W. Post campus of Long Island University
- Arnold S. Winnick Student Center at the C.W. Post campus of Long Island University
- Winnick International Conference Center at the Simon Wiesenthal Center / Jerusalem
- Winnick Children’s Zoo in Los Angeles
- Winnick Faculty Scholar at the Graduate School of Business at Stanford University
- Winnick Hall at the Skirball Cultural Center
- Arnold & Blanche Winnick Popular Library and Karen Winnick Children’s Gallery at the Los Angeles Central Library
- Winnick Hillel House at Syracuse University
- Winnick Board Room at the Museum of Modern Art in New York City
- Winnick Winners Mentoring Program for the Los Angeles Unified School District
- Winnick Fellows at UCLA School of Medicine
- Winnick Gallery at Yeshiva University Museum, Center for Jewish History

Karen and Gary Winnick and the Foundation have endowed university and high school literacy and scholarship programs at Brown University, at Mrs. Winnick’s alma mater Syracuse University, and at Gary Winnick’s alma mater, Long Island University.

They have also funded the transformation of the on-campus C.W. Post mansion administrative center – renamed Winnick House – as well as the main cafeteria which is now named in honor of Mr. Winnick’s late father.

In California, the Foundation has supported educational programs at the California Science Center, the Museum of Contemporary Art, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, KOREH L.A., the Los Angeles Zoo, L.A.’s Best Afterschool Program, the Wonder of Reading, the Fulfillment Fund and Noah’s Ark at the Skirball Center.

Among the many other Foundation grantees are the Special Olympics, The Center for Jewish History, Children’s Scholarship Fund, Partnership for Better Schools, Teach for America, The Gettyburg Foundation, The National Parks Foundation, Best Friends Animal Society, The Los Angeles Police Foundation, Shoah Foundation, and the Center for Public Leadership at Harvard University.

The Foundation also supports charities operating outside the United States, including the International Medical Corps, Flora and Fauna, World Wildlife Fund, the David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust, the Israel Museum, the Israel Philharmonic, the Jerusalem Zoo, Heifer

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