



Winnick Family Scholarship Awarded to Theodora Wingert at UCLA School of Medicine

Born in Seattle, Wingert has worked in Europe with physicians at Danish, German and Polish hospitals and has broad experience in genetic research from summer internships at the University of Washington and Seattle Children's Hospital.

Los Angeles, CA (PRWEB) October 11, 2010 - The David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA has awarded the Winnick Family Scholarship for 2010-2011 to student Theodora Wingert, Class of 2012.

Said Dr. Gerald Levey, Vice Chancellor and Dean of the School of Medicine: "Theodora Wingert is a highly intelligent, motivated and empathetic young woman who has a clear focus on the career path she wishes to follow. We are certain she will be leader in the medical field and we are happy to make this grant to her."

Said Winnick Family Foundation Founder, [Gary Winnick](#): "Throughout her young life, Theodora Wingert has always excelled, finding time for community service - working as a volunteer in inner-city schools and hospitals in California, returning each summer to support genetics research at the University of Washington's and Seattle Children's Hospital. Theodora is currently her class representative for the UCLA Well-Being Initiative working on research in autism genetics as well as performing at the top of her class in the core science curriculum. We are proud to present this extraordinary young woman with this scholarship."

The David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA is an internationally respected leader in research, medical education and patient care. The school has more than 2,000 full-time faculty members, almost 1,300 residents, more than 750 medical students and roughly 400 Ph.D. candidates. The Geffen School is ranked ninth in the country in research funding from the National Institutes of Health and third in the United States in research dollars from total sources.

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 and 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

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- 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 Gettysburg 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 International and the Bloomfield Science Museum at Hebrew University in Jerusalem. For more information on the Foundation and its work, visit <http://www.winnickfamilyfoundation.com> on the Web.