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**Broward Performing Arts Foundation Shines at its  
Annual Benefit for the Broward Center**

Musical Evening Raises More than \$250,000 for the Broward Center

**Fort Lauderdale, Fla. – April XX, 2015** – With Grammy Award®-winning singer Sarah McLachlan center stage, the Broward Performing Arts Foundation raised more than \$250,000 for the Broward Center for the Performing Arts at its annual benefit, “Shine On,” on March 28. The evening, which attracted a capacity crowd, was presented by the Four Seasons Hotel & Private Residences, Fort Lauderdale, a project by Fort Partners of Miami. “We are committed to building community through the arts,” said Kelley Shanley, president & CEO of the Broward Center. “The funds raised will allow us to continue to provide outstanding theatrical experiences and award-winning educational programs for South Florida audiences.”

It was a full evening of entertainment, which showcased the best of the Broward Center. There were cocktails in the Peck Courtyard; dinner in the Amaturio Theater, transformed into an elegant multi-tiered supper club; McLachlan’s electrifying “Shine On” performance in the Au-Rene Theater; and a festive post-show party under the stars at the Huizenga Pavilion and Wendt Terraces.

“We are enormously grateful to all of the donors and sponsors who came out to support us, with special thanks to our presenting sponsor Four Seasons Hotel & Private Residences, Fort Lauderdale,” said Lisa Kitei, executive director of the Broward Performing Arts Foundation.

Additional supporters included: Silver sponsor Weston Nissan Volvo; Bronze sponsors Beverly Raphael and Joel Altman, AutoNation, Bahia Mar Fort Lauderdale Beach, Baker Concrete

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**About Broward Center for the Performing Arts**

The Broward Center for the Performing Arts, located at 201 SW Fifth Avenue in Fort Lauderdale, is one of North America's premier performing arts venues and the cultural heart of Broward County. Presenting more than 700 events each year to more than 700,000 patrons, the Broward Center offers a wide range of exciting cultural programming and events to South Florida residents and thousands of tourists annually. The Broward Performing Arts Foundation, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation, receives and maintains funds to promote, foster, sponsor and develop the Broward Center for the Performing Arts.

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