

15 Years of **Excellence!**



2008
AnnualReport



Rick Dissinger
Board President

Dear Friend:

Did you know that Pacific Crest directly serves 1,500 youth each year? You're already familiar with our World Class Drum and Bugle Corps, and its 150 amazing and talented performers. Our December Workshops enroll another 200 students who spend two days in intensive rehearsals and master classes. And you've likely been to one of our Corps at the Crest events sometime in the past.

Many people know Corps at the Crest as two of Drum Corps International's Tour Events. By hosting these events, however, Pacific Crest creates a stage for more than 1,100 youth from around the world to perform in front of Southern California drum corps fans.

In addition to those students we *directly* serve, there are hundreds more who are powerfully affected by our performances. In 2008 alone more than 500 students attended *Corps at the Crest* with their high school band. There are also countless others who attended shows on their own. All these students are inspired by the excellence that is drum corps, and they return to their music programs reinvigorated and ready for the start of band camps all across Southern California.

Our 2008 Annual Report celebrates the great work of our staff, Board, and volunteers, who worked countless hours on behalf of 2,000-plus young people we serve. Please join me in congratulating them on their great work. I hope you enjoy reading about our accomplishments this past year.

Sincerely,



Stuart Pompel
Executive Director

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Stuart Pompel

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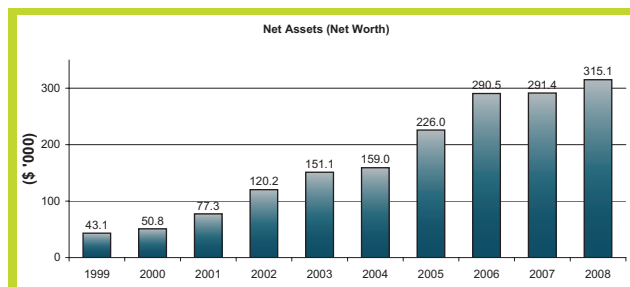
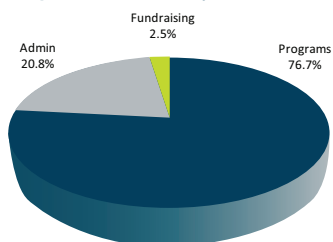


Merchandise managers Rick Dissinger and Guy Hutchison take a moment to pose with Pacific Crest parent, Ava Schumacher.

Summary of Financial Data

Fiscal Year Ending: December 31, 2008

Expenditures by Function



Beginning of Year Net Assets \$291,403

Revenue

Program Revenue	\$303,639
Gifts and Grants	\$89,578
All Other Income	\$111,397
Total Revenues	\$504,614

Expenditures

Program Services	\$376,753
Administrative Support	\$92,020
Fundraising Expenses	\$12,162
Total Expenditures	\$480,935

Excess of Revenue over Expenditures	\$23,679
End of Year Net Assets	\$315,082



2008 Highlights

Completed our 48-foot mobile kitchen. Project cost \$175,000, and was funded entirely by gifts from individuals, corporations, and foundations.

\$205,000 raised from sources other than Drum Corps tuition and Workshop fees.

Provided a stage for more than 1,000 performers at the Corps at the Crest Series.

Completed a three-year strategic plan, outlining goals and objectives for 2009 – 2011.

Toured 12,000 miles and performed in 25 events as part of the Drum Corps International Tour.

Executive Director Stuart Pompel was appointed to the Drum Corps International Board of Directors Finance Committee.

Staff

Master's Degrees: 5
Credentialed Teachers: 7
College Instructors: 2

2008 Corps Members

Performers: 145
Cities: 60
High schools: 48
Colleges/Universities: 21
Minority Representation: 42%
Average Age: 18.2

This organization promotes the development of high school and college aged performers to a level of maturity and sophistication beyond that of their peers. I learned the discipline, personal responsibility, and sense of duty I use everyday in my career.

Spencer Bayha, 1996 - 2000

California Highway Patrol, South Los Angeles Area Office



We began in 1993 with 33 students. Today Pacific Crest is one of nation's most respected performing arts programs, and touches the lives of 1,500 students each year. In the past three years, over 750 students have enrolled for our two-day Fall Workshops. The Workshops provide intensive training in music, dance, and movement for high school and college students. Our Drum and Bugle Corps (an audition-only group of 150 performers) has traveled 35,000 miles and performed in over 70 competitions, concerts, and parades around the country. During this period, Pacific Crest also provided performing opportunities for 3,000 young performers by hosting nine competitions as part of the Drum Corps International Summer Music Games Tour. Pacific Crest has also appeared in cinema broadcasts, on television shows and commercials, and in world-class venues, including the Orange County Performing Arts Center and the Rose Bowl.

The staff was passionate about their craft and trained us with drive, but also respect. It was one of the first experiences I had where I felt I was treated like a musician, a colleague, instead of a child.

Ami Custodia, 1996

Instrumental Music Teacher, Suzanne Middle School

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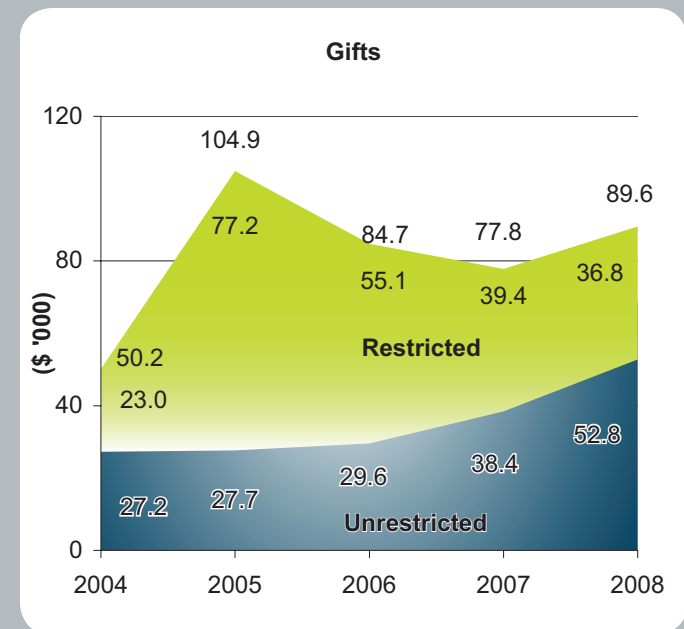
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I've met parents who are willing to provide time and resources to help this corps. I was amazed at the way the staff interacts with and values their volunteers.
Steven Schell
Parent of Ryland Schell, percussionist since 2007



Mission Statement:

The mission of Pacific Crest Youth Arts Organization is to provide superior educational and competitive performing arts programs that change the lives of young people in the greater Southern California region and prepare them for leadership in a fast-moving world.



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