Dean Robert Cutietta of the USC Thornton School of Music has been appointed the inaugural dean of the USC Glorya Kaufman School of Dance. The vision of a USC dance school came from a casual conversation between Kaufman and Cutietta when they met in November 2011. One year later, that vision has turned into a reality.

The Glorya Kaufman International Dance Center will be constructed near the USC Thornton School of Music on the site of the former student health center located on West 34th Street. Construction of the dance center is scheduled to start in early 2014. The USC Glorya Kaufman School of Dance hopes to admit its first class in fall 2015. Students will be accepted based on academic achievements and on their performance during an extensive audition process.

Kaufman’s generous choice to invest in USC will transform the future of dance and change the lives of future USC students for many years to come. For more information please contact the USC Associates Office at 213-740-8722 or uscassociates@usc.edu.

In November, President C. L. Max Nikias announced the formation of the university’s newest academic unit, the USC Glorya Kaufman School of Dance. Glorya Kaufman, a Los Angeles philanthropist and renowned name in the world of dance, has given the university one of the largest gifts in the history of American dance. Kaufman’s major gift provides significant support to The Campaign for the University of Southern California and will allow the university to continue its commitment to arts education.

This will be the first USC school to be established through an endowment in nearly 40 years, joining USC’s five arts schools — architecture, cinematic arts, dramatic arts, fine arts and music — which comprise one of the strongest arts offerings in the United States.

Because the university previously offered only a dance minor, the new school will allow students to earn a Bachelor of Fine Arts in dance. “The university’s ambition is to make the USC Glorya Kaufman School of Dance the most elite on the West Coast and in the Pacific Rim” said Nikias.

Additionally, Kaufman’s gift will fund the construction of a new academic building, the Glorya Kaufman International Dance Center. The dance center will offer a central location for all dance classes, which are currently housed in various buildings on campus. The gift also will help support the development of the school which includes creating the curriculum of contemporary and classical dance, recruiting distinguished faculty and providing scholarship opportunities for future students.

“I want the school to prepare dancers to be extraordinary performers, to take care of themselves physically and also to have the knowledge to advocate for themselves from a business perspective,” Kaufman explained. “USC provides an exceptional education across the board and will make sure this happens.”

“Glorya Kaufman’s generosity will have a profound impact on the art of dance - not only at USC, but throughout the world.”

-- President C. L. Max Nikias
A Message from Jane Popovich

This year an incredible number of the most talented high school seniors from all over the world applied for admission to USC. Yet a very select few were accepted this fall, placing USC in the top 1% of all colleges and universities in terms of selectivity. But it is not just the high-caliber of our students and the highly networked Trojan Family that makes USC great. Our wonderful campus is growing and expanding at an extraordinary pace.

This fall groundbreaking were held for the new Uytengsu Aquatics Center; the Verna and Peter Dauterive Hall for Social Sciences; the Wallis Annenberg Hall; and for new medical office buildings on the Health Science campus. In January we opened the doors to the new, state-of-the-art Engemann Student Health Center and reopened a beautifully revitalized Cromwell Track and Field. In addition, the announcement of the creation of the USC Glorya Kaufman School of Dance, the first school to be established by an endowment in over 40 years, is scheduled to begin construction in 2014.

The creation of these world-class facilities is in direct relationship to the academic superiority that has quickly advanced USC to its undisputed position as a global research institution. And it is because of you, USC Associates, who continue giving your time, spirit and funding to ensure that USC maintains this path of excellence for years to come.

Jane Popovich
President, USC Associates

USC Associates Trustee Scholarship Recipient
Alex Fullman

Speaking to the Associates Board of Directors at their annual fall meeting, graduating senior Alex Fullman expressed his heartfelt gratitude for being selected as the recipient of a full ride scholarship through the USC Associates.

A political science major with a minor in communication law and media policy, Alex recently topped his USC academic accomplishments by being awarded a highly coveted Marshall Scholarship. He plans to attend the University of Oxford next fall to earn a master of philosophy in comparative government. Upon completion, he plans to pursue a law degree.

Alex is always challenging himself, and following his freshman year, stayed on campus that summer to do research with Provost Elizabeth Garrett. He complimented those studies with Professor Alison Renteln’s course “Cultural Diversity and the Law,” which Alex described as “a wonderful and fascinating course that I don’t think undergraduates at other universities would be able to take.”

In 2011 Alex was selected to participate in the Presidential Fellows Program at the Center for the Study of the Presidency and Congress. His fellowship paper concerned the landmark Supreme Court campaign finance case involving Citizens United and was one of 20 chosen for publication in The Fellows Review.

Alex also had the opportunity to study abroad, joining 15 students at USC’s International Summer School at Cambridge. Favorite course topics ranged from Shakespeare’s plays and sonnets to climate change and the Kyoto Protocol.

Alex’s diverse student leadership activities have included, but are not limited to, reviving the USC Journal of Law and Society and serving as its editor-in-chief, and also serving as vice president for the USC Hillel Center for Jewish Life.

A native Angeleno, Alex was recruited by several elite schools, but USC sky-rocketed to his top choice after his very first visit to campus. “The people here are extraordinary human beings, with a real warmth and excitement that surpasses the energy you might find on most college campuses. Other schools may talk about community, but The Trojan Family is a true, tangible thing.”

Class of 2012 Freshman Profile

This fall, only 20% of students were accepted from the 46,104 freshman applications received. This year’s new freshman class ranks among the strongest in the nation with average GPA and SAT scores higher than ever.

Incoming Freshmen
Average High School GPA
3.021
Middle 50% SAT Composite
3.8
1950-2190
Middle 50% ACT Composite
29-33
First Generation College Students
14%
Chairman Associate Michael Felix has always displayed an enthusiasm for contributing to his alma mater. As the Senior Vice President of Capital Guardian Trust Company, he has long supported the Trojans, but it was a work colleague that introduced him to the Associates as the primary support group for academic excellence at USC. “We wanted to expand our giving to all of the education that USC has to offer. We are so grateful for the success that Presidents Sample and Nikias have achieved in significantly raising the academic standing of USC,” said Michael.

Now he and his wife Debbie are serving as pioneers for helping to make USC an elite institution for the art of dance. While admitting to having no dance skills of his own – his degree is in Business Administration – Michael related that he and Debbie were inspired to become modern dance patrons through daughters Taylor and Jordan, who have participated in competitive dance since age 4. When Taylor attended the USC dance summer program before her senior year, the importance of the art really sunk in for the Felix family.

The family began to cultivate a relationship with Dr. Margo Apostolos, Director of Dance at USC. “She was such an inspiration to Taylor,” Michael said, “and believed in what Taylor had to offer.” After seeing firsthand the exhilarating work being done by Dr. Apostolos and the other esteemed dance faculty, Michael and Debbie felt that dance was “the perfect direction for [their] Associates contribution.” Not surprisingly, the recent announcement of the soon to be established USC Glorya Kaufman School of Dance has thrilled the family.

Michael considers his Associates membership “the highlight of engagement with USC.” Pre-game picnics, special events, dinners and lectures are all on the list of activities that the Felix family values as their way to maintain a connection with USC. He admitted that of all the favorite memories of his time at USC, the one that comes first to mind is last year’s Hawaii football road trip. “It was the best of everything,” Michael gushed, “Hawaii, football, family, friends, parties and celebrations, and USC.”

The USC Associates thank Michael and Debbie for their unyielding dedication to the university. We are proud and honored to have such passionate and generous Trojans as Associates.
If you’ve traveled around Los Angeles lately you may have noticed the Keck Medical Center of USC has a greater presence in our community than before, having opened a 14,000-square-foot location in Beverly Hills which offers top specialists in ophthalmology and urology, and a 22,000-square-foot medical office in Pasadena which is now home to more than 40 USC faculty physicians.

These new centers “bring the care and expertise of the Keck Medical Center of USC closer to the Westside and San Gabriel Valley communities, and is a dramatic demonstration of the Keck School of Medicine’s commitment to advancing the art and science of medicine for our local communities,” said Keck School Dean Carmen A. Puliafito, who is one of several physicians who will see patients at the Beverly Hills location. An expert in macular degeneration, Puliafito is joined by fellow ophthalmologists including Neda Shamie, a leader in corneal transplantation, who serves as medical director at the facility.

Some exciting features of the Beverly Hills center include well-equipped patient exam and treatment rooms, an on-site pharmacy, a clinical laboratory and convenient valet parking. The Pasadena office includes many of these same features along with an on-site infusion center.

The Keck Medical Center of USC, which includes the USC Norris Cancer Center and the Keck Hospital of USC, also offers patients medical office locations in downtown Los Angeles and La Cañada Flintridge.

If you would like more information about how to give to the Keck School of Medicine or information about the Keck Medical Center of USC, please contact Office of Development, Keck School of Medicine of USC at 323-442-2358.
Medicine as a business is a familiar topic for Dr. Steven Nagelberg, M.D., a spine surgeon who received his Executive MBA degree from USC in 2009. He holds a strong belief that educating aspiring physicians in successful business practices is essential.

“To succeed in the changing health care environment, today’s leaders in medicine must blend the business savvy of a CEO with the knowledge and compassion of a top-notch care giver. Without education in health policy and the health care system, physicians are missing critical tools in their professional toolbox,” Dr. Nagelberg explained.

A generous gift to the Keck School of Medicine from Steven and his wife Jerrilyn has been given to establish the Nagelberg Business of Medicine Fund, which will support the development of a core business of medicine curriculum and help to prepare students for the realities of medical practice in today’s world. The fund will also support a faculty stipend, curriculum development and administrative costs, helping to deliver a solid foundation in the fundamentals of business practices in medicine.

The Nagelberg’s daughter Jodi will get a first-hand look at the immediate benefits of the curriculum enhancements as a second-year medical student at the Keck School.

If you would like more information on giving to this or other great programs at the Keck School of Medicine please contact the office of Development: Keck School of Medicine of USC at 323-442-2358.
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**2013 Associates Events**

**March 9**
6:30pm
Fundraiser co-sponsored with USC Athletics at a private residence with Pat Haden, USC Admissions, Trojan Olympians and student athletes.

**March 14**
6:00pm Reception
7:30pm Performance
Carl St. Clair leads the USC Thornton Symphony Orchestra in “Concerto Night” featuring the winners of the USC Thornton Student Concerto Competition.

**April 7**
2:30pm
Bing Theatre
Special performance of “The Most Happy Fella” co-sponsored with USC School of Dramatic Arts. Private reception with cast and crew to follow.

**April 18**
11:30am - 1:30pm
USC HSC
Luncheon co-hosted with USC Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center, featuring a presentation on “Stem Cells and Regenerative Medicine.”

**April 26-28**
St. Regis
Dana Point, CA
“Vibrant Living Retreat” co-sponsored with the USC Davis School of Gerontology. Keynote speaker USC Dean Hassy Cohen, M.D.

**July 20**
Catalina Island
Associates Day on Catalina Island. Exploration, adventure and fun! A co-sponsored event with USC Wrigley Institute for Environmental Studies.

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