



Amy Brenneman and Shiva Rose

FOOTLOOSE

THE EVENT Gala celebrating the Alvin Ailey dance company's 50th anniversary and honoring philanthropist Glorya Kaufman at the Music Center **THE PLAYERS** Liane Weintraub, Judith Jamison, Amy Brenneman, Angela Bassett **THE SCENE** Lithe and lovely dancers mingled with patrons and partiers as Sweet Honey in the Rock serenaded the crowd **BEST IN SHOW** Kaufman's spectacular \$20 million donation to Dance at the Music Center —*Luke Ungerleider*



GLORYA KAUFMAN Q&A

What motivated your generous donation? We are facing difficult times in our country and in the world. The arts are in trouble and we have to act quickly! Our president has called for all of us to do our part. I did this to call on others to step up and save the arts.

First dance performance you remember? In the living room of my childhood home, watching my parents dance.

Was there a performance that strongly impacted you? In the last few years, it has been seeing the Alvin Ailey company's *Firebird* and their signature piece *Revelations*.

What's the future of dance in America? Dance is emerging out of the shadows of the arts in this country. I have to say that dance is much more sacred as an art in other countries of the world. For example, the tango is a fine art in France. I want to see that level of relevance in our country.



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Peter Dacanic with Liane and Richard Weintraub



James Keach and Jane Seymour



Neicy Nash