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Dear Friends:

On behalf of Grape Expectations Gala Dinner Co-chairs **Billie Jean King, Hon. Janice Hahn, LA County Supervisor, D4, Hon. Rex Richardson, Mayor of Long Beach, Noel Hacegaba, Port of Long Beach, Steve Goodling, Visit LB, and Greg Zinberg, Clark Construction** we invite you to join us for a truly special evening as we celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the Foundation at our signature fundraising gala, Grape Expectations, on **Sunday, September 27, 2026 at the Billie Jean King Main Library.**

By sponsoring Grape Expectations, you invest directly in the 12 public libraries that serve as vital hubs for our 700,000 + annual visitors. Your tax-deductible contribution fuels a lifetime of learning: from kindergarten readiness and one-on-one tutoring for students, to 3D printing and STEAM workshops that empower our teens. Whether it's providing job search support for career seekers or homebound reader services for our seniors, your generosity ensures these essential resources remain free for every member of our community.

The evening itself promises to be just as impactful. You will join over 400 of Long Beach's most influential business and community leaders for a curated gourmet dinner, featuring courses perfectly paired with premier wines. Beyond the dining experience, guests can participate in our live auction, featuring exclusive travel adventures and unique items curated specifically for our supporters. The special evening will include presenting the Durnin Family Award to Sharon Weissman, Long Beach Harbor Commissioner, in recognition of her outstanding contributions to our community, and the Library Leadership Award to the Dolly Parton Imagination Library for their incredible dedication to expanding literacy.

We would be honored if you would join us as a valued sponsor by returning the enclosed sponsorship form with your contribution. Please contact the development team at (562) 628-2441 or [info@lbplfoundation.org](mailto:info@lbplfoundation.org), or visit us at [LBPLfoundation.org/grapes](http://LBPLfoundation.org/grapes), for more information on how to participate. We look forward to a remarkable evening that will make a real difference for our Long Beach Public Libraries and the community they serve!

With Gratitude,

Olga G. Chavez  
Grape Expectations Committee Chair, President-elect

cc: Veronica Garcia Dávalos, Executive Director and CEO

# 2026 Sponsorship Opportunities

	<b>Pinot \$5,000</b>	<b>Cabernet \$10,000</b>	<b>Zinfandel \$25,000</b>	<b>Prosecco \$30,000</b>	<b>Champagne \$50,000</b>	<b>Presenting \$100,000</b>
Table(s)	One (8 guests)	One (8 guests)	Two VIP tables (16 guests)	Two VIP tables (16 guests)	Two prominent VIP tables (16 guests)	Two long VIP tables (20 guests)
Recognition in event materials including electronic program (if confirmed by Sept. 1)	Name	Logo	Logo	Logo	Logo	Logo
Recognition on event webpage	Name	Logo	Logo	Logo	Logo	Logo
Recognition on invites	Name	Logo	Logo	Logo	Logo	Logo
Recognition on video screen throughout the event	Name	Logo	Logo	Logo	Logo	Logo
Recognition in email newsletter		Logo	Logo	Logo	Logo	Logo
Inclusion on step and repeat		Logo	Logo	Logo prominent	Logo prominent	Logo prominent
Tickets to VIP reception		4 guests	8 guests	8 guests	10 guests	20 guests
Verbal recognition during the evening's program						
Dedicated social media posts to 5,000+ followers						
Ad in digital program book (if confirmed by Sept. 1)				Half-page	Full-page	Two-page
Opportunity to collaborate on digital content						
Logo printed on auction paddles						
Opportunity to be featured in a Long Beach Leaders Are Readers article						
Logo on registration and cocktail reception tables						
Logo on all photos taken throughout evening						
VIP reception sponsor with logo recognition on a VIP step and repeat						
Opportunity to address the crowd during the evening's program (3 minutes)						

## 2026 Sponsorship Opportunities

### Presenting Sponsor - \$100,000

#### Tables & VIP Access:

- Two prominent King VIP tables for ten guests (20 tickets)
- VIP reception sponsor; includes 20 VIP reception tickets and logo recognition on a special VIP reception step and repeat
- Prominent placement on the main event step and repeat

#### Recognition & Visibility:

- Two-page ad in electronic program book (if confirmed by Sept. 1)
- Logo on registration tables, reception tables, and auction paddles
- Logo prominently displayed on Foundation website banner, event webpage, and event invitations
- Logo on e-newsletters to 18,000+ library supporters as Presenting Sponsor
- Logo recognition on the video screen during the event
- Logo placement on all step and repeat photos taken during the evening

#### Marketing & Engagement:

- Email spotlight to 18,000+ library supporters
- Dedicated social media posts to 5,000+ followers: 2 static and 1 video
- Opportunity to collaborate on digital content and be featured in a Long Beach Leaders Are Readers article

#### Special Recognition:

- Opportunity to address the crowd during the evening's program (3 minutes)

### Champagne Sponsor - \$50,000

#### Tables & VIP Access:

- Two prominent VIP tables for eight guests (16 tickets)
- Access to VIP reception for 10 guests
- Prominent placement on the main event step and repeat

#### Recognition & Visibility:

- Full-page ad in electronic program book (if confirmed by Sept. 1)
- Logo on auction paddles
- Logo prominently displayed on event webpage and event invitations
- Logo on e-newsletters to 18,000+ library supporters
- Logo recognition on video screen at the event

#### Marketing & Engagement:

- Email spotlight to 18,000+ library supporters
- Dedicated social media posts to 5,000+ followers: 2 static posts
- Opportunity to collaborate on digital content and be featured in a Long Beach Leaders Are Readers article

#### Special Recognition:



- Opportunity to address the crowd during the evening's program (3 minutes)

## **Prosecco Sponsor - \$30,000**

*One-time opportunity for our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration!*

### Tables & VIP Access:

- Two prominent VIP tables for eight guests (16 tickets)
- Access to VIP reception for 8 guests
- Prominent placement on the main event step and repeat

### Recognition & Visibility:

- Half-page ad in electronic program book (if confirmed by Sept. 1)
- Logo on auction paddles
- Logo prominently displayed on event webpage and event invitations
- Logo on e-newsletters to 18,000+ library supporters
- Logo recognition on video screen at the event
- Special 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary recognition as part of milestone celebration

### Marketing & Engagement:

- Email spotlight to 18,000+ library supporters
- Dedicated social media posts to 5,000+ followers: 2 static posts
- Opportunity to collaborate on digital content

### Special Recognition:

- Verbal recognition from stage during the evening's program

## **Zinfandel Sponsor - \$25,000**

### Tables & VIP Access:

- Two prominent VIP tables for eight guests (16 tickets)
- Access to VIP reception for 8 guests
- Inclusion on the main event step and repeat

### Recognition & Visibility:

- Logo recognition in event materials including electronic program book (if confirmed by Sept. 1)
- Logo displayed on event webpage and event invitations
- Logo on e-newsletters to 18,000+ library supporters
- Logo recognition on video screen at the event

### Marketing & Engagement:

- Dedicated social media posts to 5,000+ followers: 2 static posts

### Special Recognition:

- Verbal recognition from stage during the evening's program

## **Cabernet Sponsor - \$10,000**

### Tables & VIP Access:

- One table for eight guests (8 tickets)
- Access to VIP reception for 4 guests
- Inclusion on the main event step and repeat

**Recognition & Visibility:**

- Logo recognition in event materials including electronic program book (if confirmed by Sept. 1)
- Logo displayed on event webpage and event invitations
- Logo on e-newsletters to 18,000+ library supporters
- Logo recognition on video screen at the event

**Special Recognition:**

- Verbal recognition from stage during the evening's program

## **Pinot Sponsor - \$5,000**

**Tables & VIP Access:**

- One table for eight guests (8 tickets)

**Recognition & Visibility:**

- Name recognition in event materials including electronic program book (if confirmed by Sept. 1)
- Name recognition on event webpage and event invitations
- Name recognition on video screen at the event

## *Underwriting Opportunities*

These 100% tax-deductible opportunities do not include tickets but will be recognized at the corresponding sponsorship level. Available on a first-come, first-served basis.

- VIP Reception - \$10,000
- Valet Parking - \$6,500
- Auctioneer - \$5,500
- Wine - \$5,000
- Entertainment - \$5,000
- Centerpieces - \$5,000
- Videographer - \$2500 (Claimed)
- Photography - \$2500 (Claimed)

## *Electronic Program Book Advertising Opportunities*

Additional advertising space is available for purchase in our electronic program book:

- Inside Front or Back Cover - \$5,000
- Full Page Color - \$2,500
- Half Page Color - \$1,000

## *About Grape Expectations*

Your tax-deductible Grape Expectations contribution supports vital free programs available to the more than 700,000 annual visitors to the city's 12 public libraries. From kindergarten readiness programs for little ones, one-on-one tutoring for students, 3D printing and STEAM workshops to inspire teens, job search and employment skills support, homebound reader services for seniors, and a summer reading program for the whole family, your support makes a difference at the nationally recognized Long Beach Public Library.

Guests will experience a delicious gourmet dinner, each course perfectly paired with fine wine, in the company of more than 450 of Long Beach's prominent community and business leaders, library supporters, and wine and travel enthusiasts. They will have the opportunity to bid on adventures and other exclusive items from our live auction.

### *Sponsorship Selection*

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Presenting – \$100,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> Zinfandel – \$25,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Champagne – \$50,000   | <input type="checkbox"/> Cabernet – \$10,000  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prosecco – \$30,000    | <input type="checkbox"/> Pinot – \$5,000      |

### *Underwriting Selection*

Please note that some of these options have limited quantities. We will contact you if your selected choice is no longer available.

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|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> VIP Reception – \$10,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> Valet Parking – \$6,500 | <input type="checkbox"/> Auctioneer – \$5,500   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wine – \$5,000           | <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment – \$5,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> Centerpieces – \$5,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Videographer – \$2,500   |  |   |

### *Electronic Program Advertising Selection*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Inside Cover – \$5,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> Full Page Color – \$2,500 | <input type="checkbox"/> Half Page Color – \$1,000 |
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- I am unable to attend but want to make a 100% tax-deductible donation at the level marked above.**

**Sponsor Name** (for recognition): \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

### *Payment Options*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>CREDIT CARD</b> – Register online at <a href="http://LBPLfoundation.org/grapes">LBPLfoundation.org/grapes</a>                       |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>CHECK</b> – Please make check payable and mail to:<br>Long Beach Public Library Foundation<br>200 W. Broadway, Long Beach, CA 90802 | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>INVOICE ME</b> for the sponsorship level indicated above |