



Brian Doherty
Legacy Circle

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Leave a Legacy

Leaving a legacy helps to create the lasting impact of our world-class repertory theatre.

Your gift will help to secure the financial footing upon which we can continue to generate and present thoughtful, moving and engaging theatre for generations to come.

As you consider a Legacy Gift to the Shaw Festival, know that ...

- The Shaw Festival celebrates the life and spirit of Bernard Shaw by creating theatre that is as entertaining and provocative as Shaw himself
- We are committed to play development, new Canadian plays and adaptations
- The Shaw provides training and support to Canada's leading actors and directors
- We prioritize audience engagement through unique beyond the stage experiences
- We engage children and students through significant education and outreach theatre programmes.
- Your gift will strengthen the role of arts and culture in Canada.



"When you choose to give to theatre, your contribution is ephemeral as it does not exist in a building or a plaque but as an imprint on the soul of an audience member, who engages with the world more elevated after their experience of world-class theatre. You have contributed to a better Us"

- Kimberley Rampersad, Intern Artistic Director

"You see a play, you love how it transports you: investment into that miracle for the future is critical!"

- Suzanne Herbert, Brian Doherty Legacy Circle member and Docent, Shaw Guild



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The Shaw Festival recognizes generous individuals who commit to future support through a bequest or other legacy gifts as **members of the Brian Doherty Legacy Circle**. With your permission we express our thanks and publicly acknowledge your generosity through our publications along with invitations to exclusive events. No information will be given out regarding the details of any planned gift, and only those donors who have agreed will be acknowledged in our donor listings.



How to Leave a Legacy

Leaving a legacy gift to the Shaw Festival can be easy for both our Canadian and US Donors with many options available to you. Please consult with your own professional advisor such as a lawyer, financial planner or accountant as you make changes to your existing will or for creating a new will.

You can include us in your legacy giving plan through:

Bequests

- Either a percentage or specific amount
- A residual gift where Shaw Festival would receive the remainder of your estate after friends and family have been looked after

Life Insurance

- Purchasing and donating a new policy
- Donating an existing policy naming the Shaw Festival as beneficiary

Registered Saving Plans

So that your planned gift does not have to pass through probate you can name the Shaw Festival as full or partial beneficiary of your RRSP, ROTH IRA or your company pension plan

Legal Names • For charitable purposes, the legal name of the Festival is **Shaw Festival Theatre, Canada**. Donors may also wish to designate their gifts to the **Shaw Festival Theatre Endowment Foundation**. The Shaw has a section 501(a) organization in the United States; American donors may allocate their planned gifts to the **Shaw Festival Foundation**.

If you wish to make specific arrangements for a **designated gift** to The Shaw or to establish a **named fund through the Endowment Foundation**, we would be honoured to discuss with you in person or by phone.



“Our planned gift to the Brian Doherty Legacy Circle ensures that Shaw Festival will continue to provide thought-provoking theatre for future generations. The lessons of theatre have brought us such joy – we want to give back!”

- Wendy & Wayne Smith, Brian Doherty Legacy Circle and Governors Council supporters

For more information or to leave your legacy, contact Kimberley White, Senior Development Officer, Individual Gifts & Legacy Giving at 1-800-657-1106 ext 2397 or kwhite@shawfest.com

Front: Kimberley Rampersad with Tara Rosling and Gabriella Sundar Singh in rehearsal. Back: Ric Reid in *The Ladykillers*. Madelyn Kriese and Matt Nethersole in *Brigadoon*. Peter Fernandes and Gabriella Sundar Singh in *The Russian Play*. Jonathan Tan in *The Glass Menagerie*. Photography by David Cooper Photography.