



# TRANSFORMATION OF A WORLD-CLASS THEATER

The Next Act Campaign is unlike any philanthropic campaign Paper Mill has undertaken since its founding in 1938. The vision then was similar to the vision now—providing exceptional theater, with top-notch talent, to a broad community of audiences. The investment made on this property 86 years ago transformed this entire community.

Today, a new investment is required. Together with the State of New Jersey and the Township of Millburn-Short Hills, and with the philanthropic support and confidence of our community, Paper Mill Playhouse is positioned for its Next Act.

With a total goal of \$48.7 million, and with over \$39 million already secured as of September 2025, Paper Mill is poised to raise the remaining amount needed to achieve our goal. We invite you to join us in making a gift to the Next Act Campaign.

In 2025, more than 200,000 patrons will experience the wonder of musical theater at Paper Mill. More than 15,000 subscribers will commit to another season of shows. And a new generation of audiences, artists, and students will know Paper Mill as it takes on its next act.

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I feel incredibly fortunate to be in a position to support the Next Act Campaign. Paper Mill has always held a special place in my heart, and I've seen firsthand the transformative impact this organization has on families, students, and the community. The education and outreach programs go beyond the stage, reaching people of all ages and backgrounds, and offering experiences that open minds and build confidence.

From initiatives that make the arts accessible to all, including autism-friendly programming, to creating spaces where creativity and inclusion thrive, Paper Mill is truly making a difference. Knowing that my contribution will help sustain these vital programs and extend their reach fills me with immense gratitude. I'm proud to support something that touches so many lives in such meaningful ways.

Carolyn Ferolito, Chair,  
Paper Mill Playhouse Board of Trustees