

# THE KATY GRAND THEATRE PROJECT

Andrew Noyes and Dr. Debbie Siebert, advocates of art and music, are creating a venue for Katy's performing arts groups

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Dr. Debbie Siebert will be the director of Education for Katy Grand Theatre



Andrew Noyes is the founder and executive director of NFAF

## Information About the Theatre

- Established programs are youth choir, Katy youth symphony, and Book Bash
- Through events, pledges, and private donors, the foundation has been able to raise a large percentage of their goal
- It will be 21,000 square feet and seat 400 people
- The building is scheduled to open the first quarter of 2018

If you would like to donate, visit [nfaf.org](http://nfaf.org).

Andrew Noyes and Dr. Debbie Siebert first established the Noyes Fine Arts Foundation (NFAF) in 2011 after seeing the need for a local, state-of-the-art performance venue. Since then, the foundation has worked toward the goal of building the very first community performance center in the area.

## BLOCKING IT OUT

The theatre project will be located near the Katy Mills Mall, close to the site of the proposed Katy Convention Center and new Boardwalk, and will become home to a community theatre, arts education classes, children's choir, and local symphony. The educational programs will feature a variety of classes including acting, opera, instrumentals, musical theatre, lighting and sound, Broadway singing, and dance.

## A COMMUNITY COLLABORATION

The overall budget for the construction and opening is estimated at \$5 million. The U.S. government has committed \$3 million to the Katy Grand Theatre construction, based on the condition that the NFAF raise \$400,000 by September 15, 2016 in order to receive this federal assistance.

NFAF shares, "Noting the successful theatre companies in smaller neighboring communities, Katy will easily benefit from having its own community-minded, professional quality fine arts company and venue. With a focus on producing the highest quality music and theatre presentations tapping into community involvement, building this new venue fills that need."

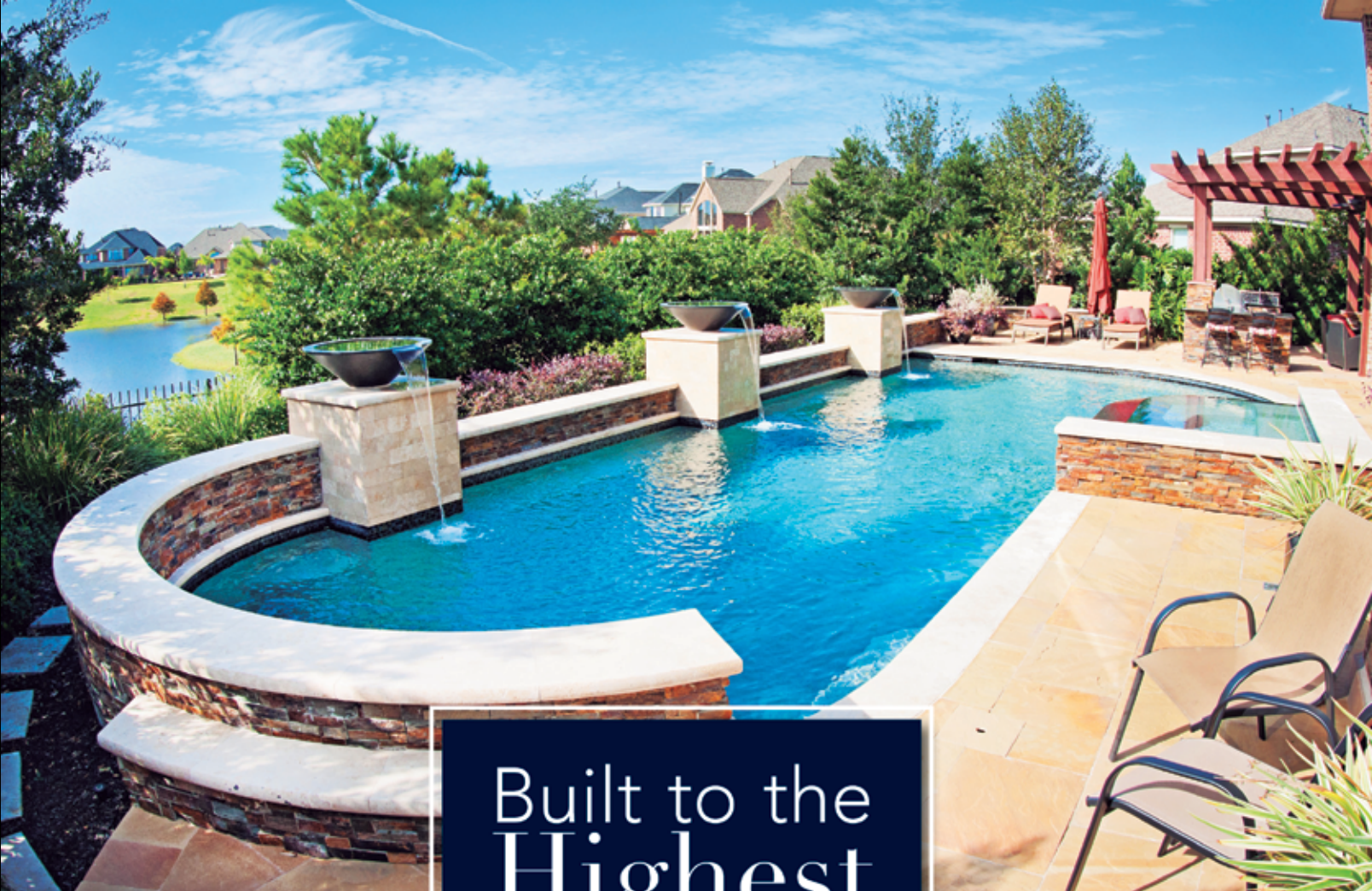
## TAKING CENTER STAGE

As founder and executive director of NFAF, Noyes brings his vast experience and network of professional artists to ensure the highest quality and overall success of upcoming programs. Co-founder Dr. Siebert will assume the role of director of education at the theatre and brings with her the experience and credentials to ensure the highest professional quality programming.

As an advocate of the arts, Dr. Siebert believes in the great benefit the theatre will soon bring to the area. "I have witnessed the performing arts uniting communities and I firmly believe the Katy Grand Theatre Project will be a strong force bringing the Katy community together to enjoy and grow in the arts." KM

*DEBBIE MCDANIEL is a writer whose family of five loves theatre, music, and acting. It's probable that one of them is singing a Broadway tune even now.*





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