

The Women's Leadership Group
presents

Fearless Woman Award

To Benefit
Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington

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❧ Fearless Woman Award Honoree ❧



Barbara Brown Hawthorn is receiving the 2018 Fearless Woman Award for her consistent and selfless dedication to advancing art and educational opportunities for children in the Washington, DC area, across the country, and throughout the world. As a member of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington (BGCGW) Women's Leadership Group (WLG) since 2004, Barbara has given her time, energy, enthusiasm, and

creativity to enhancing the STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) programs offered to club members. She was instrumental in the creation and funding of the "ArtMobile" that travels between clubs offering children experience and training in the world of arts and crafts. Barbara serves on the WLG Executive Steering Committee and chaired both the 2010 and 2011 benefits.

Her other philanthropic activities include the Heart of America, which focuses on children's literacy and community service (2010 and 2011 gala chair); Good Weave International, dedicated to eliminating forced child labor and providing educational opportunities to these children throughout India, Afghanistan, and Nepal (board member); In a Perfect World, dedicated to educational and support opportunities for children globally (Advisory board member); The Phillips Collection (Museum "Ambassador"); and the McLean Project for the Arts (board member).

Barbara is President and CEO of Barbara Hawthorn Interiors, Ltd. where she has created and directed award-winning residential and commercial projects throughout the United States for over 34 years. She has been named one of the DC area's best interior designers in numerous publications. Many of her innovative designs have been featured on Home & Garden Television (HGTV), and in national and regional newspapers, magazines, and designer show houses. In 2009, she was named "Hall of Fame Designer" by Home and Design Magazine. In 2011, the National Association of Professional Women named Barbara their Professional Woman of the Year.

While growing up in New York, Los Angeles, London, and Paris, Barbara traveled to major European and Far Eastern cities, developing her appreciation for architecture and the decorative arts. During her summers in high school, she worked for her father's engineering firm, which pioneered the energy-saving application of cogeneration to commercial facilities.

Barbara graduated from the Fieldston School and Vassar College (Phi Beta Kappa). She received a prestigious Ford Foundation Fellowship and earned a Masters of Public Policy degree from University of California, Berkeley.



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