



Newsletter: Summer 2023 Edition

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Our nonprofit charity foundation exists to honor the memory of thirteen-year-old Emily Rose Shane, who was tragically murdered on April 3, 2010 on Pacific Coast Highway in Malibu, CA. We transformed this tragedy into a positive mission of empowering underserved students.



The Emily Shane Foundation provides essential academic tutoring and mentorship to disadvantaged middle schoolers, particularly those in underserved communities in Los Angeles. The SEA (Successful Educational Achievement) Program's objective is to empower these children to be successful students, so they can achieve their goals and dreams. Participants are guided on a path to success in school and in life. The foundation's "Pass it Forward" motto encourages kindness and social consciousness, as each student performs one good deed per session with their mentor/tutor.

SEA makes a difference in the lives of the children we serve.

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A Message From the Executive Director



Dear Emily Shane Foundation Community,

We are closing the door on another successful school year, and what a year the 2022 – 2023 academic school year has been!

A highlight includes our second time presenting our annual gala spring fundraiser at Duke's in the Ocean Room. The setting was just so perfect, right over the beach. This year, we had a terrific turnout. Our live auctioneer, Jim Nye, did a great job. So many people contributed to the success of the evening; I am grateful to all our sponsors, guests, donors, and auction (silent and live) participants. Durrone, a former SEA Program student, candidly shared his experience in the SEA Program and how the program set him on a path to now studying business and marketing in college.

Our new website has been in the works for a few months. We are so lucky to have a team of dedicated and caring professionals volunteering their time and expertise to bring it to life. Special thanks to Kieran Guller, Lamiya Bodian, Rachel Choi, Marcela Paglione, Craig Hart and Tyler Vacca. The launch date of the new site is imminent and will be sometime over the summer. Look out for an email announcing when it will be ready!

We are in the process of awaiting final report cards from all our school sites to assess results, which will be analyzed by our amazing statistician Siyu, a USC Master's student. He is a wizard at compiling all our data and presenting it in both word and visual forms. In addition, he is working on assessing the other very key aspects of our SEA Program's results. We use the Likert scale as an assessment tool to check attitudes, motivation, and other key factors that comprise a student's performance.

The summer is a busy time to renew contracts, manage insurance needs and many other important requirements, so we can be prepared and ready for the next school year.

Our new SEA Program coordinator, Genesis, a freshly minted graduate from USC, joined us in May, and we are delighted to welcome her. She described this work as her "dream job." We all hope she will find it rewarding and fulfilling – even if challenging at times!

Stay tuned for our fall events. We will again be collaborating with the high schoolers from Three Heart Strings to present our bracelet fundraiser. We have the date of Thursday evening, November 16, 2023, set for our fall fundraiser event to be at a new location due to the imminent closure of the venue from last year. We aim to present a similar event, as it was warm, fun, positive and enjoyable for all!

We look forward to continued talks with other nonprofits as we move towards potential collaborations and/or partnerships. One of these potential partners is the nonprofit Urban Promise LA. We are working towards our SEA Program operating at their premises in Canoga Park, serving 6th and 7th graders attending Columbus Middle School. We are continuing talks regarding starting at a new middle school site in Inglewood.

Lastly, we are happy that a new Emily Shane Foundation Club was formed at Malibu High School (see page 8), where our children attended school. Emily attended Malibu Middle School, which still shares a campus with Malibu High School. Our two older daughters attended both schools, and graduated from Malibu High School before attending university.

I want to wish everyone a relaxed and joyful summer! As always, my gratitude to all who make our mission and work possible.

Warmly,
Ellen Shane
Executive Director

Wings Over Malibu 2023

On April 27th, 2023, we presented our annual gala spring fundraiser at Duke's Malibu. At the event, guests were treated to the handcrafted, premium wines sponsored by The Narcissist Wine Company, a musical serenade presented by members of the Malibu Middle School Orchestra under the direction of Dr. Maia Zander, delicious food, an online silent auction and live auction, and more! The night was held in the Ocean Room at Duke's with a beautiful view for all the guests. Thank you again to our Gold Sponsor: The Waldheim Family and the Silver Sponsors: C.A. Hartnell, Shen Schulz Realty, The Cooley Family, SoCalGas, and all other sponsors and donors that made WOM '23 a success!

Click [here](#) to watch the video shown at Wings Over Malibu, profiling our SEA Program. The video showcases inspiring testimonials from individuals who have actively participated in our SEA Program, illustrating the profound impact of our work on those who share our mission and support our cause.



Executive Director, Ellen Shane, with her husband and ESF Board Chair Member, Michel Shane, at WOM 2023



Former SEA Program Student, Durrone, now in college, addressing guests at WOM 2023



WOM 2023 Live Auction



Silver Sponsor Shen Schulz and his wife Ema



Malibu Middle School performing at WOM 2023

We want to express appreciation to our event sponsors and donors who made Wings Over Malibu 2023 possible. This event would not have been a success without their participation! We would also like to express our gratitude to everyone who participated in our auctions and to all who so generously donated in support of our SEA Program. It is because of you that we can pursue our mission of making a difference in the lives of the students we serve.

*Please see a list of our donors and sponsors for Wings Over Malibu 2023 at the end of this newsletter.

Foundation Happenings

Our new SEA Program Coordinator!

Genesis Guerra



The Emily Shane Foundation would like to welcome our new SEA Program Coordinator, Genesis Guerra! Genesis joined us in May of this year. She studied American Studies and Ethnicities (Chicanx/Latinx Emphasis) and International Relations at the University of Southern California and hopes to use the skill sets she learned to make a difference in underserved communities!

Genesis' personal journey has given her firsthand experience of the invaluable support provided by nonprofits. Growing up, she relied on her community and nonprofit organizations to pave the way for her success, and she recognizes that she wouldn't be where she is today without their assistance. It is this profound understanding that led Genesis to join The Emily Shane Foundation—a nonprofit that directly transforms the lives of those it serves. Her unwavering passion for helping the very students our foundation serves makes her an invaluable addition to our team. We are thrilled to have Genesis on board, ready to make a lasting difference together!

ESF Joins Community Partnerships



We have officially joined the Ralphs Community Program, an initiative that makes fundraising effortless. By simply linking your Ralphs Rewards Card to our organization, you can support ESF every time you shop.

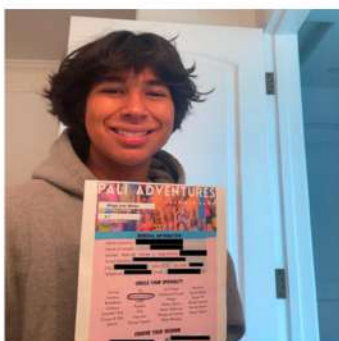
If you have the Ralph's app, simply click on the "Rewards" sections, click on "Community Contributions," type in "The Emily Shane Foundation" and be sure to click save! Together, we can make a significant impact by turning your purchases into valuable contributions for our foundation.

Click [here](#) to learn more!

We are thrilled to announce that we have joined the AMEX Round-Up program. With AMEX Round-Up, you have the option to round up individual purchases to the nearest \$1, \$5, or \$10 in select transactions. Simply sign in to your AMEX account and select "Create an Impact Account," choose "The Emily Shane Foundation" and your desired "Round-Up" option. Click [here](#) to learn more and sign up!



Donor's Generosity Sends a SEA Student to Summer Camp



A generous donor, who won a certificate for a week at Pali Adventures Summer Camp at our Wings Over Malibu 2023 live auction, kindly donated the certificate to benefit a SEA Program student. Eighth grader Saul from our Malibu site was selected to merit this gift, as he went from failing grades in math and history to finishing the school year with a B- in math and a C+ in history. All his other grades were A's and B's. We are proud of Saul's improvement and grateful to the generous donor, as Saul will have a fantastic experience thanks to this gift.

SEA Student Successes 2022-2023 School Year

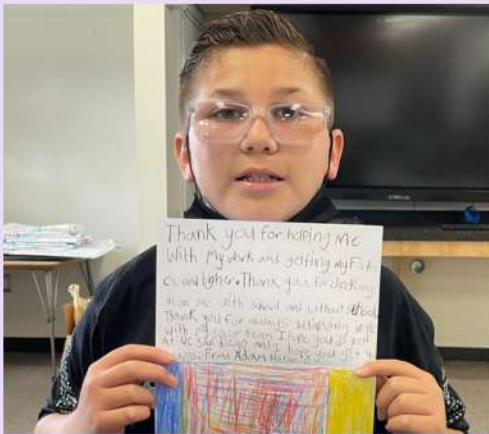


Matthew, 8th grade, Rio Del Valle Middle School, Oxnard
Matthew has improved in all core subjects including Science, Math, and History and feels prepared to embark on his high school journey!

"Julianna is nice, kind, and very helpful."

Leah, 7th grade, Clinton Middle School, South LA
All Leah needed was someone to believe in her. Thanks to her work with mentor/tutor Vian, Leah has passed all of her classes and is looking forward to a successful 8th grade!

"Vian does not make me feel dumb."



Adam, 6th grade, STEAM Academy@ Burke, Pico Rivera
Adam worked with his mentor/tutor Daniela to improve all his failing grades and has succeeded in doing so.

"Daniela helped me with my grades and showed me how to do better with school."

Ryan, 8th grade, Clinton Middle School, South LA
Ryan has shown a motivation to finish his school work and a new found hope that he will be able to attend higher education, thanks to his mentor/tutor, Solani!

"Solani is very helpful and patient."



SEA Program Staff Spotlights 2022-2023



Kristina

**Risk Associate - PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC)
Pico Rivera Mentor/Tutor**

"Hi my name is Kristina Matthews, I'm 23 and I live in Columbia, SC. I graduated from the University of South Carolina and I chose to volunteer for The Emily Shane Foundation because I've been volunteering since I was in middle school. When I got to high school, I began tutoring elementary students and even in college, I was providing mentoring/tutoring to younger students in college and high school. I've always found enjoyment from providing additional education help to students who need and deserve it. No one deserves to be left behind. My two students have been the highlight of my year. They are both funny and smart, made such great progress on their school work, and we've had great sessions together. Personally, I'd like to say thank you so much to The Emily Shane Foundation for this opportunity."



Daniela

**El Rancho High School
STEAM Academy @
Burke Mentor/Tutor**

"I loved being a mentor/tutor for The Emily Shane Foundation because I got to help out students in need of academic support. It was a great experience and made me feel a part of something bigger than myself."



Julianna

**California State University - Channel
Islands
Oxnard Mentor/Tutor**

"It's been great to be a part of the SEA program this past year and having been able to build relationships with the students. They've made so much progress and have achieved grades allowing them to walk the line at their promotion ceremony, which I am excited to attend!"

Testimonials & Quotes

Our Students and Mentor/Tutors Say...

Adam, 6th, STEAM @ Burke, Pico Rivera

"[Daniela] shows me how to do better with school and my grades!"

Isaac, 7th, Rio Del Valle, Oxnard

"I've gotten better at submitting my work on time, becoming better organized, and I feel like I have more support."

Mentor/Tutor Eva, Malibu

"I think our rapport comes from building trust and faith in each other to stay consistent with doing work. I believe in consistent support no matter what and celebration when she does well."

Mentor/Tutor Alex, Thousand Oaks

"The most satisfaction was seeing my student succeed by his learning from his past mistakes and turning in his work on time."

Our Site Liaisons Say...

Kayla, School Counselor, Wright MS, Westchester

"The SEA program has been a wonderful resource for our students at Orville Wright Steam and Gifted Magnets. The services that they provide help to support our students reach their academic goals."

Joey and Kelly, School Counselors, North Park, Pico Rivera

"The SEA Program's partnership with North Park Academy of the Arts has proven to be an effective intervention for our students throughout the years. The mentors have supported our students in grades 6-8 in various academic subjects and offer guidance to our at-promise students. One of the great benefits of the SEA Program is the flexibility they offer. They know that our students have diverse schedules and learning styles, so the flexibility of online tutoring and different mentors has been instrumental in making a positive impact on the lives of our students. We value our partnership with the SEA Program as they continue to support the academic success and personal growth of our student community."

Good Deeds

To embrace our "Pass It Forward" motto, we request that SEA Program students perform a good deed for every session received. We aim to spread kindness in the world. Here are samples:

Titus, 6th, Westchester

"I helped my dad paint the house."

Larry, 6th, Oxnard

"I helped my brother with groceries."

Arne, 6th, Westchester

"I cleaned my mom's car."

The Emily Shane Foundation Clubs at Local Schools

The Emily Shane Foundation Club

Malibu High School

2022-2023 School Year

In addition to ESF clubs at two universities, USC and LMU, students at Malibu High School have created an Emily Shane Foundation Club at their school. We look forward to what they have in store and are eager to witness the mission ESF carries through their club and into the community.



Please join us in welcoming our new LMU club president for the next academic year, Yvette Castellano! We bid farewell and send gratitude to Reese Garcia, who served as club president for the last academic year at LMU.



Yvette Castellano

Loyola Marymount University

Emily Shane Foundation Club

President 2023-2024 School Year

"This year, I was a student administrative assistant for the SEA Program. I am taking on the position as The ESF Club President at LMU because I believe in the mission of ESF and have seen the wonderful work that the mentor/tutors of the SEA program do. They truly provide struggling students with the guidance, support, and dedication they need to grow and thrive!"

Our terrific **USC ESF Club President, Martina, will resume her position** in the fall semester; however, as she will be abroad in the spring, a club member (yet to be confirmed) will take over during that period of time.

Emily Shane Foundation in the News



WATCH: CBS Los Angeles KCAL News presented a segment featuring The Emily Shane Foundation in March of this year. Suzie Suh spoke on the inspiring work ESF has done, despite the 2010 tragedy. Click [here](#) to watch!

21 MILES IN MALIBU - Documentary Film

The Emily Shane Foundation's Board Chair Member and father of Emily, Michel Shane, produced 21 Miles in Malibu - a feature documentary highlighting the dangers of PCH. The community gathered together to show their support for the documentary at a screening organized by the City of Malibu. It turned out to be a great success, as Michel Shane won Best Feature Documentary in the Malibu International Film Festival. To watch the trailer, click [here](#)!



Lifetime Legacy Award

The Lifetime Legacy Award was given to co-founder and executive director Ellen Shane. Founded in honor of her daughter, who was murdered on Pacific Coast Highway 13-years ago, the foundation provides its flag SEA Program which is a unique initiative that serves middle school students in underserved communities with academic tutoring and mentorship at sites across Los Angeles and Ventura Counties. Click [here](#) to read more!

ESF Executive Director featured on the cover of Malibu Coast Lifestyle Magazine

Ellen was featured on the cover of the May issue of the magazine, much to her surprise! The article inside featured an interview in which Ellen relates much about her life and work.



Upcoming Events

Three Heart Strings September 2023



We are happy to continue our partnership with the high school student-run nonprofit charity Three Heart Strings. We will again present their bracelets' designs for sale during the entire month of September both online and at tabling events, with specific dates to be announced.

Annual November Fundraiser November 2023



We are excited to announce that we will be debuting a reimagined version of our annual fall fundraiser event this year. Stay tuned and be on the lookout for the upcoming announcement of the date, time, and location!

In Loving Memory



Emily Rose Shane
(as a child)

08/09/1996 - 04/03/2010

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Pali Adventures Summer Camp
Peju Winery
Porto Elounda Golf & Spa Resort, Greece
Sojourn Cellars
The Phoenician

Silent Auction

A Noise Within	Feel Beauty	Malibu Eye Center Optometry	Sheraton Sand Key Resort, Florida
A.O.C Brentwood	Fiesta Village Family Fun Park	Mama's Comfort Food And Cocktails	Six Flags Magic Mountain
Ace Hotel & Swim Club, Palm Springs	Fleet Science Center	Mehrnoosh, Architect	Skirball Cultural Center
Angels Baseball	Fountain Valley Skating Center	Moye Thompson, Ceramist	Sky Sailing Inc.
Aquarium Of The Pacific	Geffen Playhouse	Museum Of Tolerance	Smoke House Restaurant
Aviator Nation	Gorjana	Natural History Museum	Snowbird Ski Resort, Utah
Barone's Pizza	Hershey Felder	Newport Landing Whale Watching	Solé Soups
Belly Up	Hollywood Wax Museum	New West Symphony	South Coast Repertory
Broad Street Oyster Company	Hotel Paradox, Santa Cruz, Ca	Olio E Limone, Bottega, Pizzeria	South Point Hotel Casino & Spa, Las Vegas
California Botanic Garden	Illusion Magic Lounge	Pacific Park Santa Monica Pier	Spirit Cruises
Canyon Club	In-N-Out Burger	Pali Adventures Summer Camp	Tahoe Donner Ski Resort
Carole King	Island Packers	Pasadena Playhouse	Theatre Palisades
Castelli's Ristorante	Kendra Scott	Pasadena Symphony And Pops	The Genesis Invitational
Chance Theatre	Kidspace Children's Museum	Perry Ellis	The Wallis
Chipotle	Kiehl's	Porter Valley Country Club	Universal Studios
Corison Winery	LA Kings Pickwick Ice	PRP Wine International	USS Midway Museum
Coronado Playhouse	La Mirada Theatre For Performing Arts	Saban Theatre	Verde Canyon Railroad
Desert Adventures Kayak Las Vegas	Libbey Bowl	Saloncentric	Weaudition
Domenico's Italian Restaurant	Linksoul	Salon Jazmeina	Will Geer Theatricum Botanicum
Dos Amigos Cantina	Lorin Backe Photography	Santa Monica Playhouse	Wines For Humanity
Doubletree By Hilton Claremont	Los Angeles Clippers	SGR Skin Studio	Zero Negative
El Capitan Hotel, Merced	Los Angeles Laker	Sharon Segal And Nina Segal The Closet	Zuma Orchids
Emerald Isle Golf Course	Lucky Strike		

Special Contributions

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