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## club scene

### Organista announced as Evening In Bloom's honorary chair

Girls Inc. of Carpinteria is rolling out the red carpet again this year for its largest annual fundraiser "An Evening in Bloom" on Saturday, Oct. 17 from 6 to 11 p.m. at Westerlay Orchids, 3504 Via Real. The 3rd annual gala will honor Sharon Organista, a travel consultant for Montecito Village Travel and longtime supporter of Girls Inc. of Carpinteria. An active member in the community, Organista served on the board of Girls Inc. for many years, chaired several events and has always lent a helping hand—whether it's selling T-shirts at a fundraising booth or making homemade tamales and avocado soup for the Avocado Festival.

"Sharon's enthusiasm for Girls Inc.'s mission knows no boundaries," said Stefanie Herrington, who is co-chairing this year's event with Gail Persoon. "She applies her diverse talents chairing our events, organizing auctions, hosting dinner parties, crafting jewelry, and sharing her vast international travel connections to support our girls. Sharon is a loving matriarch of the Girls Inc. of Carpinteria family, and we're proud to honor her."

The elegant affair will feature a red carpet entrance, followed by cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, dinner buffet, hosted bar, live and silent auctions, local art displays, live entertainment and dancing. Guests are encouraged to dress in cocktail and black tie attire.

Tickets to An Evening in Bloom are \$125 and sponsorship opportunities are available. For tickets or more information, contact Ericka Loza-Lopez at 684-6364 or Ericka@girlsinc-carp.org. Tickets can also be purchased online at girlsinc-carp.org.



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**Sharon Organista, a longtime supporter of Girls Inc., will be honored at Evening in Bloom.**