

## 10 Things About Trulette M. Clayes & Cygnet Theatre

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**"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."**

**- Winston Churchill**

Believing in the power of theatre to startle the soul, ignite debate and

embrace the diversity of the community in which it serves, Cygnet Theatre is fearlessly committed to the dissection, examination and celebration of the human story through the medium of live theatre. Cygnet Theatre and NTC Foundation are partnering to transform historic former Navy building 178 at Arts District Liberty Station into a world-class performing arts venue for San Diego, creating a permanent home for Cygnet Theatre. Trulette M. Claves, Co-Trustee of the Joseph Claves II Charitable Trust, recently made an endowment contribution to name the main theatre at the Joan and Irwin Jacobs Performing Arts Center - nicknamed "The Joan" for the late philanthropist, Joan Jacobs.







**#1** I grew up in beautiful Coronado and spent quite a bit of time at the beach and the iconic Hotel del Coronado.

**#2** My Mom always says about me “I have never met anyone that turns on the music as soon as her feet hit the ground”.

**#3** I lean toward tropical places; Mexico, Hawaii, Bora Bora, however, Safari in Africa was amazing!

**#4** I have always wanted to go to Greece, Japan, Australia, and return to Africa to see the gorillas.

**#5** I love to read, travel, listen to music and of course I love a good spa day.





**#6** I actually stumbled upon the Joan and Irwin Jacobs Performing Arts Center while driving by the

construction site on the way to an appointment. My Uncle did his naval training at the Naval Training Center and was a big fan of the theater, so it piqued my interest.

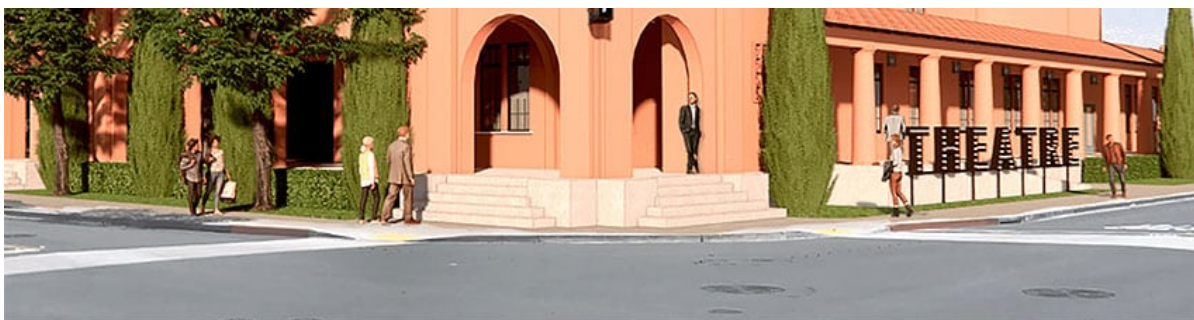
**#7** Favorite Movies: "The Sting", "A Room with a View", "The Sound of Music", "Thomas Crowne Affair", "Forest Gump", "Under the Tuscan Sun", "Bridesmaids".

**#8** I would love to become fluent in Spanish and play guitar.

**#9** M. Larry Lawrence was very influential in my enrolling and graduating from college. I worked as a manicurist at the hair salon my mother owned at the Hotel del Coronado. One of my clients, M. Larry Lawrence, the hotel's owner, consistently would ask if I had registered to return to college, and finally said he would not talk to me until I was. I registered the following week! This led to a fulfilling career as a CPA focusing on Not-for-Profit organizations.

**#10** The Cygnet Theatre is moving! In September, the curtain rises on Cygnet Theatre's brand-new home at The Joan and Irwin Jacobs Performing Arts Center at Arts District Liberty Station.





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As your philanthropy editor, each week I will feature a different hometown hero as part of our “Feel Good Friday” e-newsletter. I look forward to highlighting some of the causes that are creating a positive difference in our town as well as the individuals who are making it all happen.

Sincerely,

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