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Empower major scientific discoveries about our Universe. Become a member of the Star Society in support of UCLA's Galactic Center Group, led by world-renowned astrophysicist and 2020 Nobel laureate Andrea Ghez, and help unlock the mysteries of the supermassive black hole at the center of our Milky Way Galaxy.

Your membership in the Star Society represents a leadership investment in the Galactic Center Group's exciting exploration of the innermost regions of the Milky Way and the formation and evolution of galaxies and their central supermassive black holes.

Ghez, who holds the Lauren B. Leichtman and Arthur E. Levine Professor of Astrophysics, founded the Galactic Center Group 25 years ago with colleagues Eric Becklin and Mark Morris. In 1998, Ghez answered one of astronomy's most important questions, proving the existence of a supermassive black hole at the center of the Milky Way galaxy. Using a powerful technology called adaptive optics at the Keck Observatory, Ghez and her team have made direct measurements of how gravity works near a supermassive black hole, testing Einstein's general theory of relativity. They also have revealed many surprises about the environments surrounding supermassive black holes, discovering, for example, young stars where none were expected and a lack of old stars where many were anticipated.

Your support is crucial in enabling the Galactic Center Group to build on its tremendous scientific momentum—and to advance the research and technology to open new windows to the Universe.

STAR SOCIETY GIVING LEVELS

All levels are based on lifetime giving to the GCG and any new pledges may be paid over a five-year period.

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- Name recognition at all GCG events, online and in various publications
- All benefits listed in the levels below

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- Presentation by GCG member at organization of your choice or at your home
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- Invitation to GCG colloquium with notable UCLA Physics & Astronomy faculty
- Invitation to UCLA special events

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