

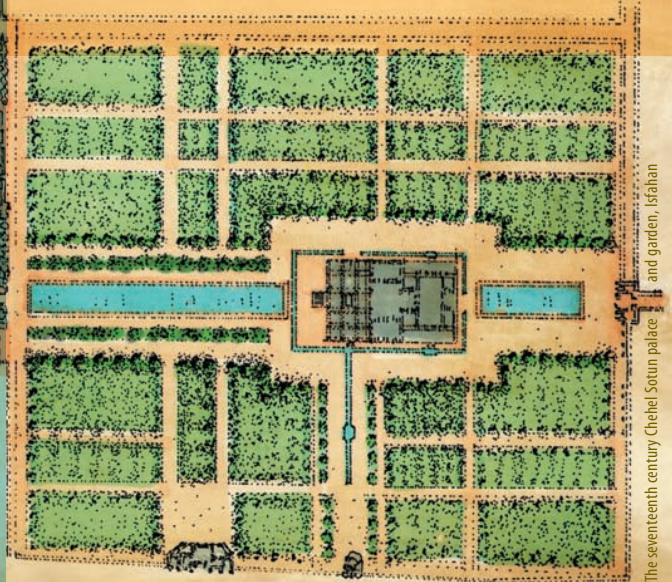
# Persian Garden Gala

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The Fifteenth Century Talare-e Teymurii



November 15, 2008  
The Westin St. Francis Hotel  
San Francisco, California



The seventeenth century Chehel Sotun palace and garden, Isfahan

# PARSA Community Foundation

Blending Persian traditions of charity with cutting edge philanthropic practices, PARSA CF encourages strategic giving and active civic participation through education, tax-efficient vehicles, and recognition of community service.

PARSA CF awards semi-annual grants to enterprising non-profits in the United States focused on preservation and advancement of arts and culture, leadership development, and civic integration.

We strive to perpetuate ancient Persian values of freedom, tolerance and hospitality.

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# Awards

## PARSA Community Foundation Volunteerism and Action Award

### Ashraf Ghandehari Bahadorzadeh

This award is given to an individual who exemplifies courageous volunteerism and bold leadership, who tackles difficult problems with long-term solutions, and who inspires others to make unselfish commitments to a cause.

## PARSA Community Foundation Philanthropist of the Year Award

### Paul Merage

This award is given to a self-made individual who has culminated his or her success through innovative philanthropic leadership, perpetuated the American Dream for others, and has given time and resources generously, inviting others to do the same.



An Eighteenth-Century Plan of Bagh-e Dowlatabad, Yazd

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Reception: 4 pm

Dinner, Auction, and Program: 6 pm

Concert and Dancing: 8 pm

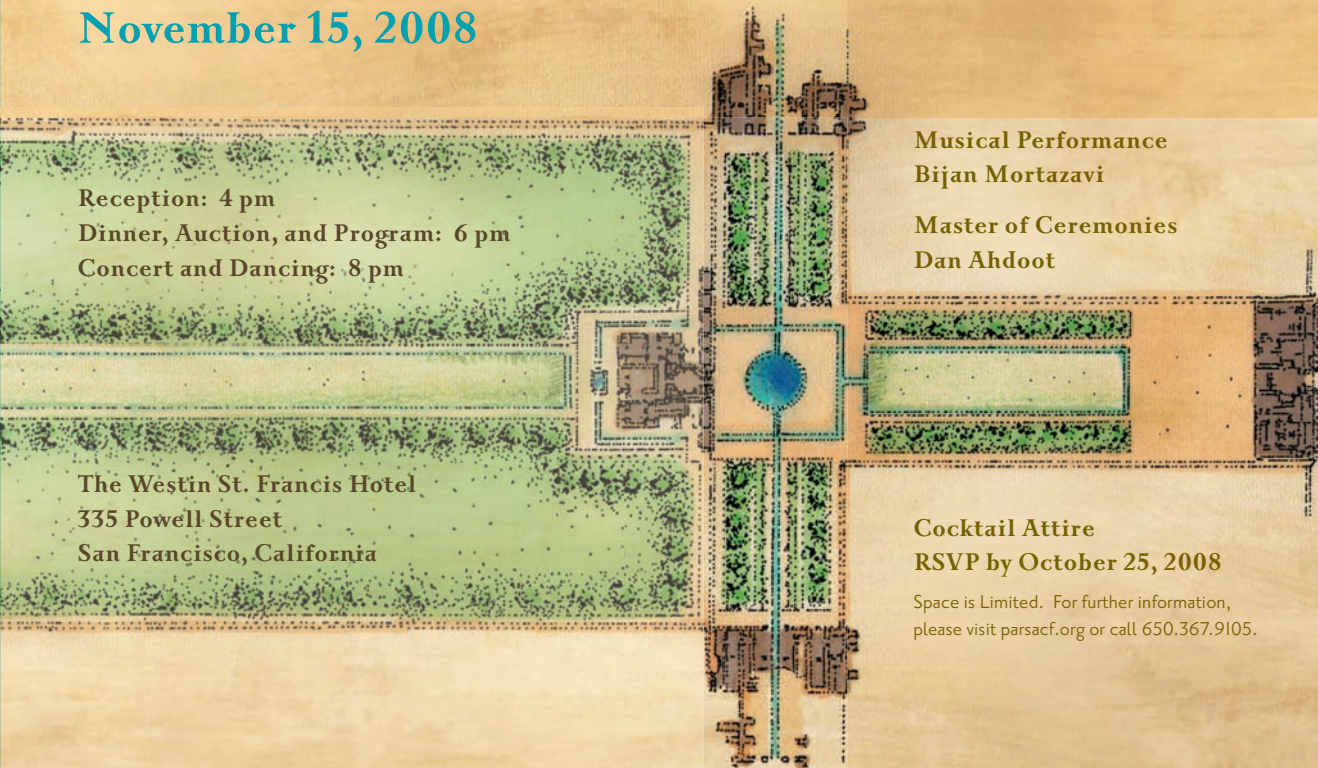
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Musical Performance  
Bijan Mortazavi

Master of Ceremonies  
Dan Ahdoot

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