

Laura Zucker, Executive Producer

For the past 17 years, Laura Zucker has executive produced the L.A. Holiday Celebration, the multi-hour live show and broadcast from which the PBS one-hour special is created. Holiday Celebration is a program of the Los Angeles County Arts Commission which Ms. Zucker has led as Executive Director since 1992. She oversees a staff that administers a \$4.4 million grant program that funds more than 300 nonprofit arts organizations annually; a multi-disciplinary summer festival at the John Anson Ford Amphitheatre, manages the County's Civic Art Program for capital projects; funds more than 40 free music concerts in public sites annually; and provides informational and technical assistance services to arts organizations and municipal arts agencies. The Arts Commission also helps the implementation of *Arts for All*: Los Angeles County Regional Blueprint for Arts Education, a plan to restore sequential arts education to all 81 school districts in the County. Ms. Zucker is also the Director of the Master in Arts Management Program at Claremont Graduate University.

The **Los Angeles County Arts Commission** provides leadership in cultural services of all disciplines for the largest county in the United States, encompassing 88 municipalities. In addition to producing the L.A. County Holiday Celebration locally and nationally, the Arts Commission provides leadership and staffing to support the regional blueprint for arts education, *Arts for All*; administers a grants program that funds more than 300 nonprofit arts organizations annually; oversees the County's Civic Art Program for capital projects, programs the John Anson Ford Theatres, produces a year-round music program that funds more than 40 free concerts each year in public sites and supports the Los Angeles County Cultural Calendar on ExperienceLA.com.