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EXCLUSIVE: A TECH TITAN'S \$50 MILLION POTOMAC PALACE FALL FASHION'S GOLDEN HOUR





DATE: Wednesday, October 9; 6:30 p.m. LOCATION: Mayflower Renaissance Hotel ATTIRE: Business EVENT CHAIRMEN: Trish Vradenburg and Vinoda Basnayake TICKET PRICE: \$175 SPONSORSHIP: \$500 CONTACT FOR INFORMATION: Catherine Cavander, 202–462–6000 ext. 19,

# WASHINGTON NATIONAL OPERA'S OPENING NIGHT

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WHAT WHAT TO EXPECT: This intimate affair to kick off Washington National Opera's season includes a performance of Verdi's "The Force of Destiny," a new production directed by WNO Artistic Director Francesca Zambello. The post-performance supper is attended by patrons and members of the cast.

DATE: October 12 LOCATION: The Kennedy Center ATTIRE: Black-tie CONTACT: 202-416-8397

# CHRIS4LIFE COLON CANCER FOUNDATION'S BLUE HOPE BASH

WHAT TO EXPECT: The Chris4Life Colon Cancer Foundation's annual Blue Hope Bash raises awareness of colon cancer through stories of hope, inspiration and celebration. Expect an evening of live entertainment, dinner and a silent auction.

DATE: Thursday, October 17; 6 p.m. LOCATION: Four Seasons Hotel ATTIRE: Cocktail TICKET PRICE: \$125-\$500 SPONSORSHIP: \$700-\$10,000 CONTACT FOR INFORMATION: Maurisa Potts, maurisapotts@gmail.com, www.chris4life.org

# ARTHUR M. SACKLER GALLERY OF ART'S 'SOME ENLIGHTENED EVENING'

WHAT TO EXPECT: Join diplomats, philanthropists, artists, yogis and celebrities at the Smithsonian's Freer | Sackler to celebrate the unveiling of "Yoga: The Art of Transformation," the world's first exhibition on the art of yoga. A sumptuous affair of art and fine cuisine by Floyd Cardoz, executive chef of North End Grill in New York City and winner of Top Chef

Masters Season 3, the evening features a performance by Grammy Award-winning artist Chandrika Tandon, followed by Transcendance, and an after-party hosted by the Silk Road Society.

DATE: Thursday, October 17; 6:30 p.m. LOCATION: Arthur M. Sackler Gallery ATTIRE: Black-tie or Asian fancy EVENT CHAIRMEN: Dame Jillian Sackler, Hilaria and Alec Baldwin, and Chandrika Tandon TICKET PRICE: \$2,500 SPONSORSHIP: \$25,000 CONTACT FOR INFORMATION: asia.si.edu/events/galas or fsevents@si.edu

# MERIDIAN BALL AND MERIDIAN GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT



**WHAT TO EXPECT:** Billed as Washington's "destination event," Meridian's Global

Leadership Summit and 45th Annual Ball provide a unique opportunity for dialogue, exchange and networking with the nation's most powerful decision makers. The summit convenes international and domestic policy makers and corporate leaders to explore effective ways to address global economic and social challenges. The day culminates at the ball, where members of Congress, ambassadors, prominent media figures, and international business leaders continue their relationship-building. Guests dine at ambassador-hosted dinners or Meridian's White-Meyer House, followed by dessert, dancing and conversation at Meridian House. DATE: Friday, October 18 LOCATION: Meridian House ATTIRE: Ball: black-tie or military equivalent; Summit: business EVENT CHAIRMEN: Ball Chairman: Dalia Mroue-Fateh Corporate Chairman: Christophe Navarre, Chairman and CEO, Moët Hennessy Congressional Co-Chairmen: Sen. and Mrs. Roy Blunt and Rep. and Mrs. John Delaney White-Meyer Chairman: Britlan Malek Young Professionals Chairmen: Jaclyn Mason and Frances Holuba TICKET PRICE: Ambassador-hosted dinners and Ball: \$650; White-Meyer Dinner and Ball: \$450 SPONSORSHIP: From \$10,000 CONTACT FOR INFORMATION: Olivia Dorieux, 202-450-5899, olivia@ cblaneygroup.com

guests include: Frankie Valli, Sophia Loren, Dr. Anthony Fauci, Lee Iacocca, Gen. Raymond Odierno, Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano, Sylvester Stallone, Martin Scorsese, Robert De Niro, Al Pacino, Susan Lucci, Yogi Berra and other notables in business, sports, entertainment and politics.

DATE: Saturday, October 26; 6 p.m. reception; 7 p.m. dinner LOCATION: The Washington Hilton Hotel ATTIRE: Black-tie TICKET PRICE: \$350 members; \$400 non-members

**SPONSORSHIP:** \$1,500 **CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:** Jerry Jones, jerry@niaf.org, 202-939-3102

# LUNGEVITY FOUNDATION'S MUSICAL CELEBRATION OF HOPE GALA

WHAT TO EXPECT: The nation's largest lung cancer nonprofit focusing on research to end the disease hosts an "Arabian Nights"-themed evening to raise funds and awareness to eradicate lung cancer while celebrating the hope and promise of survivorship. This year's gala honors Rep. John D. Dingell The Dow Chemical Company.

DATE: Saturday, October 26; 7 p.m. cocktails; 8 p.m. dinner & dancing LOCATION: Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium

ATTIRE: Black-tie

EVENT CHAIRMEN: Gala Chairmen: Ginny Grenham and Michelle Olson Vice Chairmen: Sharon Bradley and Jamie Dorros Corporate Chairman: Frederic V. Malek

TICKET PRICE: \$500 SPONSORSHIP: \$2,500 CONTACT FOR INFORMATION: Anna Pugh, 240-454-3105, apugh@lungevity.org, www.lungevity.org/hopegala



WHAT TO EXPECT: The Washington Ballet's Women's Committee and Jeté Society host an evening of cocktails, tempting cuisine and sultry performances by TWB dancers. Guests can look forward to a silent auction featuring luxury items, exotic vacations, entertainment and dining packages. Funds benefit TWB's

artistic and educational programs.





DATE: Saturday, October 26; 8 p.m. LOCATION: The Homer Building ATTIRE: Masquerade cocktail EVENT CHAIRMEN: Ashley Taylor Bronczek and Stacey Lubar TICKET PRICE: \$200 general; \$250 VIP SPONSORSHIP: \$1,000 CONTACT FOR INFORMATION: Liz Sizer, 202-274-4518, esizer@washingtonballet.org

### ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES' GOLDEN GALA OF **AMERICAS**



WHAT TO EXPECT: The Organization of American States' international gala

draws some 450 guests from around the world and benefits the National Museum of Catholic Art and Library's new museum headquarters downtown, slated to open in 2014. Past honorees have included Ambassador Thomas Melady, Thomas Boggs, Richard Trumka and astronaut Michael Massimino Paul

DATE: Monday, October 28; 6 p.m. LOCATION: Organization of American States

ATTIRE: Black-tie

EVENT CHAIRMEN: Timothy Barton and Christina Cox

TICKET PRICE: \$250, \$500 and \$1000 (VIP) dessert table ticket: \$125 SPONSORSHIP: \$5,000, \$10,000, \$25,000 and \$50,000

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# **NOVEMBER**



### **S&R FOUNDATION'S** 'NIGHT NOUVEAU' WHAT TO EXPECT: S&R.

Foundation's "Night Nouveau" for young professionals promises an evening of intrigue and suspense that includes a mystery followed by dancing. The event benefits the S&R Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit whose mission is to encourage scientific research and artistic endeavors among talented individuals.

DATE: Saturday, November 2 LOCATION: Evermay Estate ATTIRE: Black-and-white cocktail, or dress as your favorite film noir character **EVENT CHAIRMAN:** Kate Goodall TICKET PRICE: \$250 per person; \$400 per couple

SPONSORSHIP: Visit http://www. sandrfoundation.org/support for details CONTACT FOR INFORMATION: Kate Goodall, k.goodall@sandr.org

#### **LOMBARDI GALA**

WHAT TO EXPECT: This dinner dance features a cocktail reception, a silent auction with luxury items that include a 2014 Lexus sport vehicle, and an awards ceremony honoring individuals who have made a difference in the fight against cancer. All of the proceeds go to Georgetown Lombardi Comprehensive Cancer Center for cancer research, education and treatment. DATE: Saturday, November 2; 6 p.m. LOCATION: Washington Hilton ATTIRE: Black-tie EVENT CHAIRMEN: Honorary Chairman DeMaurice Smith Co-Chairmen:

Brian Katz Jill S. Kirkpatrick and Paul Schweitzer TICKET PRICE: \$500 SPONSORSHIP: \$2,000

**CONTACT FOR INFORMATION: Elena** Jeannotte, 202-687-3866, ej48@ georgetown.edu



## DC PUBLIC **EDUCATION FUND'S** STANDING OVATION

## FOR DC TEACHERS

WHAT TO EXPECT: Hosted by Jim Vance and produced by George Stevens Jr., the fourth annual "Standing Ovation" presents extraordinary educators with the Excellence in Teaching and

Excellence in Leadership awards. Entertainment and inspiring stories round out this energetic evening celebrating District public school teachers.

DATE: Monday, November 4; 6:30 p.m. awards presentation; 8 p.m. reception LOCATION: The Kennedy Center ATTIRE: Cocktail

EVENT CHAIRMEN: Gina Adams, Katherine Bradley, David M. Rubenstein, George Stevens Jr.

**TICKET PRICE: \$50-\$300 SPONSORSHIP:** \$5,000-\$250,000 CONTACT FOR INFORMATION: Lisa Jourdan, 202-636-8743, lisa@ campbellpeachey.com, www. standingovationfordcteachers.org

#### ARTS FOR THE AGING 25TH **ANNIVERSARY 'VISIONS OF** GOLD' GALA

WHAT TO EXPECT: A reception hosted by Swiss Amb. Manuel Sager and Mrs. Sager with tributes to AFTA Founder Lolo Sarnoff, a Swiss-German artist, scientist, entrepreneur, humanitarian and philanthropist. The 5th Annual Sarnoff Award will be presented to Donald T. Bliss for distinguished philanthropy, community service and engagement in the arts. DATE: Tuesday November 5 LOCATION: Swiss Ambassador's Residence ATTIRE: Black-tie EVENT CHAIRMEN: Bill Dunlap and J.C. Hayward TICKET PRICE: \$250 SPONSORSHIP: From \$500

## **HEROINES IN TECHNOLOGY**

CONTACT FOR INFORMATION: 301-255-

0103, info@aftaarts.org



WHAT TO EXPECT: This annual event recognizes women philanthropists who work in

the technology industry and includes cocktails, dinner and silent and live auctions.

DATE: Friday, November 8; 6 p.m. LOCATION: McLean Tysons Corner ATTIRE: Black-tie **EVENT CHAIRMEN:** Sabret Flocos and Rebecca Cowen-Hirsch TICKET PRICE: \$300

SPONSORSHIP: \$5,000 CONTACT FOR INFORMATION: Marissa Nihill, 571-257-2305,mnihill@ marchofdimes.com