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## Junior Players Annual Gala Makes Early Debut

Gala Date: March 4, 2023

DALLAS, TX, January 18, 2023 - Junior Players is excited to announce that it's annual Future Stars Gala is moving up in our calendars and making it's March debut. This gala will be March 4, 2023 beginning at 6:00 pm at On The Levee (1108 Quaker St, Dallas, TX 75207). Junior Players stakeholders and community leaders will come together to raise money to empower the voices of over 15,000 kids and teens annually.

The Future Stars Gala will feature a variety of live and silent auction items, including travel, food, jewelry, entertainment, and art packages. Throughout the evening, guests will be challenged to participate in various games for a chance to win prizes. Also, back by popular demand, the event will feature a wine-pull offering over 100 bottles of wine.

All proceeds benefit Junior Players' free arts education programs that take place throughout the year. These programs serve over 15,000 youth in economically disadvantaged neighborhoods, 6,000 audience and community members, and over 100 highly qualified teaching artists annually.

Dress code for this year's gala is formal, black tie is not required but dressing in theme is encouraged. This year's theme is "Future Stars Gala: A Space for Healing".

Table sponsorship levels begin at \$2.,000. To purchase tables or for more information, visit juniorplayers.org/gala.

Junior Players was founded in 1955 and is the oldest non-profit children's theater organization in Dallas. Over its existence, Junior Players has striven to meet the changing needs of the community. From 1955 to 1989, Junior Players presented traditional children's theater productions performed entirely by children and teenagers. In 1989, the Board of Directors changed the focus of Junior Players activities, deciding that, Junior Players can best serve the youth of Dallas by providing free programming accessible to all the children of North Texas. Junior Players, therefore, exclusively provides free arts education programs in local recreation and cultural centers, housing projects, elementary and middle schools, and through social service agencies serving youth at risk.

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