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Junior Players Annual Gala Makes Early Debut

Gala Date: May 5, 2022

DALLAS, TX, March 16, 2022 - Junior Players is excited to announce that it's annual Future Stars gala is moving up in our calendars and making it's May debut. This gala will be May 5, 2022 beginning at 6:30 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 fashion as art. Who are you? How does your individual cultural identity weave into the fabric of our community as a whole? Come dressed to the nines or in the ensemble you feel best represents your unique identity!

To keep all of our guests, staff, volunteers, and community safe, we are implementing the following COVID protocols: Proof of vaccination paired with an ID OR proof of negative test results taken on or after Monday, May 2, 2022 will be required for admittance. Any guest, attendee, staff member, or volunteer who fails to provide either of these options will not be allowed admittance into the event. Masking is mandatory any time not eating or drinking.

Table sponsorship levels begin at \$1,250. Individual tickets are available for \$125. 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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