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## URBAN LEARNING COLLABORATIVE (ULC) PRESENTS SECOND ANNUAL GALA: HOLLYWOOD GLAM

Milwaukee, October 21st, 2023 - Urban Learning Collaborative (ULC) is thrilled to announce their highly-anticipated Second Annual Gala, taking place at the prestigious Saint Kate - The Arts Hotel in Milwaukee. This extraordinary fundraising event aims to raise \$50,000 for the esteemed Haberman and Tyler Urban Advancement Program.

Themed "Hollywood Glam," the 2023 gala promises an unforgettable night of elegance and splendor. Guests will indulge in a culinary experience curated by the renowned Ambrosia Events, savoring exquisite dishes while being enchanted by the musical stylings of Milwaukee's own Cigarette Break, featuring a captivating fusion of jazz, hip-hop, R&B, and gospel.

Tickets for this remarkable evening can be purchased individually for \$150, or half tables for \$600 and full tables for \$2,000. Secure your attendance by visiting the Urban Learning Collaborative website at [urban-learning.org/gala](https://urban-learning.org/gala).

In addition to tickets, we are thrilled to offer various sponsorship opportunities to maximize brand exposure. Depending on the package, sponsors can enjoy advertising opportunities leading up to and during the gala, with some sponsorships including exclusive event access and wine. Our confirmed 2023 Gala sponsors include Ambrosia Events, Summit Credit Union, Vizance, Educators Credit Union, and Ritz Holman CPAs. Further details about sponsorship packages can be found at [urban-learning.org/galasponsorship](https://urban-learning.org/galasponsorship).

Saint Kate - The Arts Hotel, a celebrated cultural destination, will serve as the exquisite backdrop for this year's gala. Attendees will have the opportunity to explore the incredible art galleries within the hotel, showcasing captivating site-specific installations, special exhibitions, and expertly curated contemporary art collections. ULC has secured a block of rooms at the hotel for the evening of the Gala. For room reservations, please call 414-488-0540.

The Urban Learning Collaborative will also be honoring and celebrating four exceptional education leaders from Milwaukee during the gala, recognizing their remarkable contributions to the community. Awardees include: Toni Fink, an MPS teacher, for the Distinguished Alumna Award; Tonda Thompson, founder of She Slangs Wood, for the Trailblazer Award; Dannette J Justus, founder of Just Us Books, for the Rising Star Award; and Keith Carrington, formerly of North Division High School, posthumously receiving the Legacy Award (which will be accepted by his wife Tanzaniqu Carrington).

The goal for this year's gala is to raise \$50,000, an amount that will be entirely dedicated to the Haberman and Tyler Urban Advancement Program. Established in 2022 in tribute to ULC founders Dr. Martin Haberman and Jean Tyler, this program aims to uplift urban communities through investments in learning opportunities, support and mentoring, and essential resources.

Join us on October 21st, 2023, as we make a significant difference together. For media inquiries and further information, please contact Urban Learning Collaborative at [info@urban-learning.org](mailto:info@urban-learning.org) or 414-342-1569.

**About Urban Learning Collaborative:**

Founded in 1996, the Urban Learning Collaborative, Formerly Milwaukee Teacher Education Center (MTEC), is a not-for-profit, comprehensive, results-oriented, professional development center designed to prepare, support, and retain teachers and school leaders across Wisconsin. We support children and their learning by offering educators certification programs, customized professional development workshops, and elbow-to-elbow instructional coaching that are all focused on increasing learning and closing achievement gaps.

Urban Learning Collaborative's mission is to invest in urban communities by expanding access to academic, personal, and professional growth opportunities. This event features powerful storytelling and lots of opportunities to make the impossible possible. Educational opportunities are more than singular moments and experiences. They are doorways to a better future.

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