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Southern Decadence Press Party Wed., July 29 at JohnPauls, Kicks Off Giant Labor Day Wknd. Celebration

It's almost here, the giant 38th annual Southern Decadence weekend September 2-7. And Southern Decadence Grand Marshals Tittie Toulouse and Paloma are ready to reveal the 2009 theme, poster, song, colors and sponsors at the annual Southern Decadence Press Party. Scheduled for Wednesday, July 29, 8-10pm, the grand marshals intend to unite the Bywater, Marigny and French Quarter neighborhoods together at JohnPauls, 940 Elysian Fields, for New Orleans largest GLBT circuit weekend.

The 2008 grand marshals continue their reign for the 2009 Southern Decadence XXXVIII celebration since Hurricane Gustav cut their reign short last year, cancelling their parade. This precedent was set back in 2005 when Hurricane Katrina cancelled Southern Decadence leading to SDGMs XXXIII Lisa Beaumann and Regina Adams continuing their reign into 2006.

The 2009 celebration is expected to pump millions of dollars into the local economy with some 100,000 participants anticipated. E-mails and inquiries pour into **Ambush** Headquarters and **SouthernDecadence.COM** for information on the big weekend.



Southern Decadence Grand Marshals XXXV
Tittie Toulouse & Paloma
(Photo: Larry Graham,
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Oldest Traditional Events Free at Southern Decadence

Many who have made inquiries into the upcoming 38th annual Southern Decadence Celebration of Gay Life, Music & Culture did not realize that many of the events and parties are free and open to the public. The oldest traditional events are all free and include the annual Southern Decadence Drag Show kicking off Southern Decadence weekend featuring SDGMs XXXV Tittie Toulouse and Paloma which is set for Friday, September 4 at the Home of Southern Decadence, Tubby's Golden Lantern, 1239 Royal Street, beginning at 9pm.

The big day is Sunday, September 6 when SDGMs Tittie and Paloma lead the 35th annual Southern Decadence Parade winding its way through the French Quarter beginning at 2pm sharp at 1239 Royal Street outside the Lantern. Around 4ish pm the grand marshals head to **Ambush** Headquarters, 828 Bourbon Street, to lead the 16th annual Southern Decadence Bead Toss from the world famous **Ambush** balcony.

And on Monday, don't forget the 12th annual Southern Decadence Survivors Outer Loop Bar Crawl starting at The Corner Pocket, 940 St. Louis Street, at 2pm.

Loads of other events are scheduled as well. You can check out the most comprehensive list at **SouthernDecadence.COM** and click on **38th Southern Decadence Events/2009**. You can also book your hotel accommodations right from the Southern Decadence website.

22nd GAA Gala Garners Largest Attendance & Most Money Raised, \$3,587, Announcing the Winners

The 22nd annual Gay Appreciation Awards Gala, hosted for the first time on Bourbon Street at Oz, brought in the largest attendance, over 200, and the most money ever raised, \$3,587 for Buzzy's Boys & Girls. Since **Ambush** sponsors the event each year, and covers all expenses, the entire evening's proceeds benefit the charity. VIP Table sales raised \$1,875, door donations \$1,310, stage performance tips \$302, and \$100 in donations. Since 1997, the GAA Gala has raised a total of \$36,273 for charity.

The evening was dedicated to AIDS activist Don Evans who was the recipient of the prestigious **22nd Lifetime Achievement Award**. He is a certified HIV prevention counselor having been involved in the HIV/AIDS arena for thirteen years. He is currently employed with a not-for-profit agency Natural Resources for Preparing Educating and Changing Environments (N'R PEACE, Inc.), where he serves as the Special Projects Coordinator.

GAA Board of Directors Lisa Beaumann and Teryl-Lynn Foxx emceed the affair, while GAA Founder Marcy Marcell opened the show. The huge crowd was treated to the fabulous talents of 2008 Entertainers of the Year Elizabeth Bouvier/New Orleans joined by Barbara Ella, and Nicole Foxx/Baton Rouge. Additionally, Top 5 Show Bar of the Year Finalists Oz, Parade, and JohnPaul's did outstanding productions for the festivities.

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The Gulf South readership of **Ambush** chose the winners in public on-line voting including:

Circuit Party/Event of the Year: Halloween

Hair Salon of the Year: Salon D'Malta

Gay Carnival Ball of the Year: Lords of Leather

Neighborhood Bar of the Year: Cafe Lafitte in Exile

Buzzy Fanning AIDS Award: Toby Lefort

Bitch of the Year: Princesse Stephanie

Show Bar of the Year: JohnPaul's
Donnie Jay Performing Arts Award (named by the GAA Board of Directors in honor of the late Donald "Donnie Jay" James): New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus

Restaurant/Deli of the Year: Quartermaster: The Nellie Deli

Dance Bar of the Year: Oz

Bartender of the Year: Jeff Palmquist/Cafe Lafitte in Exile

DJ of the Year: Tim Pflueger/Oz

Leather Bar of the Year: Phoenix

GLBT Business of the Year: Alternatives

Leather Person of the Year: Gary Vandeventer

Transgender of the Year: Regina Adams

Lesbian of the Year: (a tie) Marty Curtin/New Orleans, and Chansley Dykes/Baton Rouge

Gay Man of the Year: Toby Lefort

Entertainer of the Year: (a tie) Coca, and Ama Rosa

The GAA Board chose the winners of the **Fly Fashion Glamour Award** (in memory of Ms. Fly): Opal Vanderhurst, and the **Cheridon Comedy Award** (in memory of Sonny Cheridon Cleveland): Gia/Baton Rouge.

The **Marsha Delain Award of Excellence: The Drag Ambassador Award** chosen by Marsha Naquin-Delain was presented to Christina Cayne of **Glitz: The Art of Female Impersonation**.

The GAA Board of Directors includes Lisa Beaumann, Teryl-Lynn Foxx, Rip and Marsha Naquin-Delain, and Toni J.P.

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