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**THURSDAY, AUGUST 4TH**



CATCH ALL YOUR FAVORITE OZ EMPLOYEES AS THEY GET IN DRAG AND PERFORM FOR YOU!  
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Our Brand New Show  
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**Divas R Us**  
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### Did You Win? Find out at the 29th Gay Appreciation Awards Gala July 23 @ Oz

Are you ready to find out the winners of 29th Gay Appreciation Awards? Well, plan on heading over to Oz, 800 Bourbon Street, on Saturday, July 23 at 7pm. This year the exciting GAA Gala begins with "Walking the Red Carpet" emceed by Southern Decadence Grand Marshals XLII Felicia Phillips as Joan Rivers, Tony Leggio, Jeffrey Palmquist and Derek Penton-Robicheaux from 7-7:45pm. This is your opportunity to "dress to the nines" in one or all of the official colors of Southern Decadence: amethyst (purple), ruby (red), sapphire (blue), or pearl (white). The grand marshals will choose the "best dressed" which will be awarded the first ever Red Carpet Oscar Award during the Gala.

The Gala will follow from 8-10pm announcing the winners voted online by the readership of *Ambush Magazine* back in early June. Brenda Laura of French Quarter Pet Asylum fame will receive the coveted 29th Lifetime Achievement Award. GAA Board's Lisa Beaumann and Teryl-Lynn Foxx will emcee the festivities with entertainment including a production number from each of the Top 5 Show Club of the Year Finalists: Bourbon Pub & Parade, Corner Pocket, Four Seasons & Patio Stage Bar, The Golden Lantern, and Oz New Orleans; and last year's Entertainer of the Year Gia GiaVanni. The French Quarter's own

Benefiting Southern Decadence 2016, VIP Table's for 4 are available for \$200 (contact Rip Naquin to reserve your table 504.522.8049 or [ripna@ambushmag.com](mailto:ripna@ambushmag.com)), or it's a \$10 door donation.

Top 5 Finalists include:

**Circuit Party/Event of the Year:** 17th Gay Easter Parade, Halloween 32, New Orleans Pride, Page Anniversary Party, Southern Decadence 44

**Hair Salon of the Year:** Fee & Art's Revival Studio, Head Quarters, Mickey Nolan's, Rocket Science, Two Guy Cutting Hair

**Gay Mardi Gras Ball of the Year:** Krewe of Amon-Ra, Krewe of Armeinuis, Krewe of Petronius, Mystic Krewe of Lords of Leather, Mystic Krewe of Satyricon

**Neighborhood Bar of the Year:** Cafe Lafitte in Exile, Corner Pocket, Four Seasons & Patio Stage Bar, The Page, The Phoenix

**Buzzy Fanning AIDS Award:** Misti Ates, Big Easy Sisters, Toby Lefort, NO/AIDS Task Force, Adikus Sulpizi

**Bitch of the Year:** Electra City, Willie Mackie, Persana Shoulders, Princesse Stephaney, Aubrey Synclaire

**Show Club of the Year:** Bourbon Pub & Parade, Corner Pocket, Four Seasons & Patio Stage Bar, The Golden Lantern, Oz New Orleans

**Donnie Jay Performing Arts Award:** AUX Colorguard, La Familia Variety Show, New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus, The Southern Barbitchuates, Tennessee Williams Theatre Company

**Restaurant/Deli/Coffee House of the Year:** Cheezy Cajun, Chef Ron's

Gumbo Stop, Clover Grill, Eat, Quarter-master: The Nellie Deli

**Dance Club of the Year:** Bourbon Pub & Parade, Corner Pocket, Four Seasons & Patio Stage Bar, Oz New Orleans, The Page

**Bartender of the Year:** Drew Kingswell/The Golden Lantern, Ashlee Logan/The Corner Pocket, Jake Morris/Four Seasons & Patio Stage Bar, Jeffrey Palmquist/Cafe Lafitte in Exile, Chris Peterson/Bourbon Pub & Parade

**DJ of the Year:** OJ Carter/The Page, Kyle David/Oz, Dominick "Dom" Kolb/Four Seasons & Patio Stage Bar, Tim Pflueger/Oz, Jonathan "JRB" Reed/Oz

**Leather Bar of the Year:** Cafe Lafitte in Exile, The Golden Lantern, The Page, Phoenix, Rawhide

**Cheridon Comedy Award:** Clorox Bleachman, Jeff DeRouen, Gia GiaVanni, Persana Shoulders, Tittie Toulouse

**Fly Fashion Glamour Award:** Adrian Claveria, Connie Hung, Chi-Chi Rodriguez, Aubrey Synclaire, Monica Synclaire-Kennedy

**LGBT Business of the Year:** Bourbon Pride, Crescent City Tour Booking Agency, Delaney & Robb Attorneys at Law, Formal Connection, Rab Dab Clothing & Gifts

**Leather Person of the Year:** Matthew Birkhoff, Tim Goodman, Troy Powell, Adikus Sulpizi, Gary Vandeventer

**Transgender of the Year:** Regina Adams, Adrian Claveria, Stephanie Lee, Rikki Redd, Chi-Chi Rodriguez

**Lesbian of the Year:** Misti Ates, Tracy Foxworth, Catherine Gaither, Mina Hernandez, Sandy Sachs

**Gay Man of the Year:** Andy Bergeron, Ken GrandPre, Tony Leggio, Frank Perez, Stephen Valiente

**Marcy Marcell Entertainer of the Year:** Nicole Lynn Foxx, Gia GiaVanni, Connie Hung, Coca Mesa, Aubrey Synclaire  
For additional information, visit [www.AmbushMag.com/gaa](http://www.AmbushMag.com/gaa).

### Sign Giant Fleur de Lis for Orlando at 29th GAA Gala July 23

New Orleans LGBT Hospitality Alliance (NOLHA) will host a signing of the gaint Fleur de Lis donated by Mardi Gras World to be presented to Pulse in Orlando. The signing will take place at Oz, 800 Bourbon Street, during the 29th Gay Appreciation Awards Gala on Saturday, July 23 from 7-10pm. This is your chance to be part of "We Are Pulse" in honor of the lives lost and survivors of the deadliest incident of violence against LGBT people in U.S. history.

### Another \$7,704 Raised for Southern Decadence 2016 & its Charities

Southern Decadence Grand Marshals XLII Tony Leggio, Felicia Philips, Jeffrey Palmquist and Derek-Penton Robicheaux are excited to announce that the past five fundraisers have brought in 7,704.00 and after expenses of 443.00, a total of 7,261.00 was raised for the 2016 celebration benefiting NOAGE and ARNO.

The Southern Decadence 4th of July Extravaganza hosted by Elizabeth Bouvier and Gary Vandeventer at the Chalmers in Chalmette raised 2,200.00 minus expenses of 47.00 for a total of 2,153.00. The event brought in 675.00 in VIP tickets, 560.00 in advance tickets, 720.00 in door tickets, and 245.00 in raffles minus 47.00 in online ticket fees.

The 3rd annual Potato Salad Contest hosted by GrandPre's raised 520.00 in tasting/judging tickets minus 260.00 to the winner - Paw Paw Rippy's Kettle Potato Salad with shrimp and smoked sausage, raising a total of 260.00 for Southern Decadence.

Johnny Passion's 3rd annual Smatch Game hosted by Misti Ates Gaither (Johnny Passion) and Catherine Gaither at Allways Lounge raised 1,966.00 minus 136.00 in expenses for a total of 1,830.00. The event raised 420.00 in VIP tables, 86.00 in tips, 630.00 from auctions, 580.00 from the door, and 250.00 from A\*Med Ambulance Service's Bronze sponsorship; minus expenses of 50.00 for Allways Lounge lighting, and 86.00 in supplies/decorations.

The 2nd Southern Decadence Carnival at Tulane Ave Bar raised a total of 318.00.

The 2nd annual Southern Charm Meets Southern Decadence Soiree sponsored by SDGM XLII Jeffrey Palmquist and Coca J. Mesa held at their home has been the largest fundraiser this year bringing in a total of 2,700.00. The event raised 1,200.00 for 12 tickets in cash, 1,000.00 for 10 tickets by check, and 500.00 from Dr. Mac's (Robert McWhirter) Silver sponsorship.

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