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### 29th GAA Gala brings 24 Winners to the Stage; Raises \$2,739 for Southern Decadence 2016

To say the 29th Gay Appreciation Awards (GAA) Gala at Oz New Orleans was a phenomenal success is an understatement! The inaugural "Walking The Red Carpet" hosted by Southern Decadence Grand Marshals XLII Felicia Phillips aka Philip Anthony, Anthony Leggio, Jeffrey Palmquist and Derek Penton-Robicheaux was a hit! The production numbers by Top 5 Show Club of the Year Finalists: Bourbon Pub & Parade, The Corner Pocket, Four Seasons, The Golden Lantern and Oz were astounding! Last year's Entertainer of the Year Gia GiaVanni just brought the evening to a climax with her incredible mix! Emcees Lisa Beaumann and Miss Continental Elite Teryl-Lynn Foxx kept this "Broadway on Bourbon Street" lively and sassy.

The evening raised 1,200.00 in VIP Tables, 1,360.00 in door donations, 179.00 in stage tips for a 2,739.00 sub-total, minus 320.00 for plaques, leaving a grand total of \$2,419 for Southern Decadence 2016 benefiting its charities: New Orleans Advocates for GLBT Elders (NOAGE) and Animal Rescue New Orleans (ARNO).

The gala honored 29th Lifetime Achievement Award recipient Brenda Laura for her outstanding service for, and efforts on behalf of the LGBT+ community. Congratulations to all of the winners and Top 5 Finalists voted online by the readership of **Ambush Magazine**. Thanks to all in attendance who autographed the giant fleur de lis sculpture donated by Kern Studios which will be delivered to Pulse Nightclub in Orlando by New Orleans Tourism and New Orleans LGBT Hospitality Alliance.

The 2016 winners include:

**Circuit Party/Event of the Year:** Southern Decadence 44

**Hair Salon of the Year:** Two Guy Cutting Hair

**Gay Mardi Gras Ball of the Year:** Krewe of Amon-Ra

**Neighborhood Bar of the Year:** The Corner Pocket

**Buzzy Fanning AIDS Award:** NO/AIDS Task Force

**Bitch of the Year:** Persana Shoulders

**Show Club of the Year:** Oz New Orleans

**Donnie Jay Performing Arts**

**Award:** New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus

**Restaurant/Deli/Coffee House of the Year:** The Clover Grill

**Dance Club of the Year:** Oz New Orleans

**Bartender of the Year was a tie:** Ashlee Logan/The Corner Pocket and Jeffrey Palmquist/Cafe Lafitte in Exile

**DJ of the Year:** Tim Pflueger/Oz

**Leather Bar of the Year:** Phoenix

**Cheridon Comedy Award:** Persana Shoulders

**Fly Fashion Glamour Award:** Connie Hung

**LGBT Business of the Year:** Crescent City Tour Booking Agency

**Leather Person of the Year:** Mr. Louisiana Leather Tim Goodman

**Transgender of the Year:** Chi-Chi Rodriguez

**Lesbian of the Year:** Misti Ates Gaither

**Gay Man of the Year:** Tony Leggio

**Marcy Marcell Entertainer of the Year:** Connie Hung,

For additional information, visit [www.AmbushMag.com/gaa](http://www.AmbushMag.com/gaa).

### Oz Turnabout & Buy A Boy Auction Benefits Southern Decadence; plus White Linen Wknd.

Join the staff and management of Oz New Orleans on Thursday, August 4 as they host their annual Employee Turnabout & Buy A Boy Auction to

benefit the official charities of Southern Decadence! Catch all your favorite Oz employees as they get in drag and perform for you!

And while you're enjoying some fabulous entertainment, sexy studs in the community will be stepping up to the auction block to be sold to the highest bidder. Exclusive dinner packages furnished by some of New Orleans' most exciting culinary destinations are included with each boy. A 50/50 raffle will be held throughout the evening. There is a \$10 cover at the door with doors opening at 8:30 pm; show starts at 9 pm. Experience the magic in the land of dance as Oz celebrates Southern Decadence XLV!

White Linen weekend is coming soon, and Oz is celebrating by bringing back its annual WHITE PARTY!

On Saturday, August 6, join Oz as patrons and the whole city dresses in their finest white and party at New Orleans' Premier Gay Dance Club!

Hosted by Persana Shoulders, special guest headliner is DJ Roland Belmares, who will surely get y'all dancing all night long!

Drink specials and the sexy Men of Oz dancing on top of the bars are sure to get your mouth watering!

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS! Experience the magic in the land of dance! Oz is located at 800 Bourbon Street. ([www.OzNewOrleans.com](http://www.OzNewOrleans.com))

### Four Events Bring in \$5,422 for Southern Decadence 2016

Southern Decadence Grand Marshals XLII Tony Leggio, Felicia Philips, Jeffrey Palmquist and Derek-Penton Robicheaux offer thanks to all who continue to support the fundraising efforts for Southern Decadence. Four more fundraisers have brought in 5,422.00, and after expenses of 1,319.85, a total of 4,102.15 was raised for the 2016 celebration benefiting NOAGE and ARNO.

The Sister Sunday Social: Brunch & Jukebox Drag Show hosted by The Friendly Bar was under the direction of Steve Tregre and Marty Curtin. It raised 705.00 for Southern Decadence. The bar donated the items for the buffet which were prepared by Steve Tregre, Koo Gaffney and others.

The 1st Southern Decadence Grill Off hosted by The Page was under the direction of The Page's Willie Mackie and Bobby Waggstaff, and **Ambush's** Paul Melancon. The event raised 400.00 in taste/judging tickets, 150.00 for the 50/50 raffle for a 550.00 sub-total, minus 75.00 raffle winner, leaving a total of 475.00 for SD 2016.

The Coming Home: Decadence Takes Biloxi hosted by Just Us in Biloxi was under the direction of Bill Hincks and Southern Decadence Grand Marshal XLII Derek-Penton Robicheaux. It raised 200.00 in advance tickets, 1,335.00 indoor tickets and donations,

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199.00 in raffles; auctions-360.00 NOLA Hotel Package, 179.00 Just Us Lounge Hour Package, 250.00, Planet Beach Package for a 2,514.00 sub-total; minus expenses: 485.00 band, 751.90 shuttle bus, 7.25 TicketLeap fees; leaving a 1,269.85 for SD.

Southern Decadence S'ingo hosted at Cheezy Cajun was under the direction of Quistadors' Cam Zimmerman. The event raised 391.00 in S'ingo card donations, 81.00 for 50/50 raffle, 81.00 for 50/50 raffle winner donation, 100.00 Cheezy Cajun 10% food/liquor sales donation; and 1,000.00 Irish Channel

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