





A LETTER FROM THE President

Dear Falcons and Supporters,

I am pleased to invite you to our annual Stone of Hope Gala. This event is the university's largest fundraiser and one of the most important nights for our students, staff, alumni, and supporters.

Through the support of sponsors like you, we can continue our essential work of equipping students with the education and skills they need to thrive in today's competitive job market. In addition, supporting this event will help Saint Augustine's University provide scholarships, internships, and other opportunities for our bright and talented students.

Your generosity will not go unnoticed. We look forward to recognizing your support at the Stone of Hope Gala and inviting you to experience the positive impact of your contribution.

Please feel free to call our Office of Institutional Advancement at 919.516.4182 to discuss details about sponsorships and answer any questions you may have.

We are grateful for your consideration and support of our students' futures.

Sincerely,
Dr. Christine Johnson McPhail
President

About the Stone of Hope Gala: The Stone of Hope Gala, now in its 8th year, was conceived to both celebrate giving to the University and recognize outstanding alumni.

The Stone of Hope Gala is a premier fundraising event, focusing on celebrating the 50th Year Reunion Class. This year we will celebrate the Class of 1973, faculty, and staff who promote the mission and values of SAU at a high level, and outstanding alumni who have excelled in their professional careers and made contributions to the community in which they live and work.

This Gala is scheduled annually during the week of commencement to encourage participation from alumni celebrating their 50th Year Reunion. Classes who graduated in the years ending in 3 and 8 will celebrate their reunion during Homecoming Weekend 2023. Alumni chapters traditionally use this weekend to make their annual monetary donations.

About Saint Augustine's University: Saint Augustine's University is a four-year liberal arts Historically Black College and University (HBCU) that is affiliated with the Episcopal Church that offers more than 25 undergraduate degree programs and is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges. Founded in 1867, the University's mission is to sustain a learning community in which students can prepare academically, socially, and spiritually for leadership in a complex, diverse, and rapidly changing world.

The unique name of this event comes from the historical past of the university. Many of the original buildings on the campus were built by students from rocks quarried on the campus of Saint Augustine's University. The students, many who were former slaves, placed these stones to construct a chapel and other academic building with the hope of education freedom and equality. Hence the "Stone of Hope."

ABOUT THE STONE OF HOPE GALA

WHEN:

Friday, May 5, 2023

WHERE

Marriott Raleigh Crabtree Glenwood Ballroom 4500 Marriott Drive, Raleigh, NC

TIME:

5:30 P.M. to 7 P.M. VIP Reception (invitation only)

General Admission: Doors open at 6 P.M.

7 P.M. to 10 P.M. Dinner and entertainment

ATTIRE:

Formal (sneakers optional)

COST:

\$150.00: General Admission

CONTACT:

Mrs. Sheryl Harris-Ximines sximines@st-aug.edu 919.516.4343



2023 SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

STONE OF HOPE GALA SPONSOR | \$100,000

COMPANY LISTED AS PRESENTING SPONSOR

- Brand recognition/name in select print and electronic media
- Prominent brand placement in pre-function area
- Program named in honor of your company: ("Presented By")
- Two (2) 60-second PSA's shown during event
- Commemorative appreciation award
- 20 tickets to VIP Reception
- 2 reserved tables for 20 guests
- Recognition at athletic events
- Check presentation opportunity
- 30-second radio spot on WAUG FM
- Acknowledgment on social media before, during and post-event
- Full-page advertisement in program booklet
- Two (2) 2024 CIAA Tournament tickets; special guest to President's Suite

REIMAGINE SPONSOR | \$50,000

- Brand recognition/name in select print and electronic media
- Prominent brand placement in pre-function area
- One (1) 60-second PSA shown during event
- Commemorative appreciation award
- 10 tickets to VIP Reception
- 1 reserved table for 10 guests
- Recognition at athletic events
- Check presentation opportunity
- 30-second radio spot on WAUG FM
- Acknowledgment on social media before, during and post-event
- Full-page advertisement in program booklet

1867 SPONSOR | \$25,000

- Brand recognition/name in select print and electronic media
- Commemorative appreciation award
- One (1) 30-second PSA shown during event
- 6 tickets to VIP Reception
- 1 reserved table for 10 quests
- Recognition at athletic events
- Check presentation opportunity
- 30-second radio spot on WAUG FM
- Acknowledgment on social media before, during and post-event
- Half-page advertisement in program booklet

SPECIAL EVENT SPONSOR | \$10,000

- Brand recognition in select print and electronic media
- Commemorative certificate
- 4 tickets to VIP Reception



- 8 Gala tickets
- Check presentation opportunity
- Acknowledgment on social media before, during and post-event
- Half-page advertisement in program booklet

2023 SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

CONTRIBUTOR | \$5,000

- Brand recognition/name in select print and electronic media
- Commemorative certificate
- 6 Gala tickets
- Check presentation opportunity
- Half-page advertisement in program booklet

SUPPORTER | \$2,500

- Brand recognition in select print and electronic media
- Commemorative certificate
- 4 Gala tickets
- Half-page advertisement in program booklet

BLUE AND WHITE SPONSOR | \$1,500

- Brand recognition/name in print media
- Commemorative certificate
- 2 Gala tickets

FRIEND | \$500

- Brand recognition/name in print media
- 2 Gala tickets

ADDITIONAL SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

PRESIDENT'S VIP RECEPTION SPONSOR | \$5,000

- Brand recognition/name in select print and electronic media
- Prominent brand placement at function space
- Event naming opportunity ("Presented by")

Proceeds from the Stone of Hope Gala will go towards providing scholarships for students, upgrades to residence halls, and programmatic and operational funds for student-related activities at Saint Augustine's University. No donations or sponsorship receipts go to the administrative overhead or expense of the Stone of Hope Gala or Saint Augustine's University.





SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

I agree to be a sponsor of the 2023 Saint Augustine's University Stone of Hope Gala at the following sponsor level:

- □ \$100.000 STONE OF HOPE GALA **SPONSOR**
- □ \$50.000 **REIMAGINE SPONSOR**
- □ \$25.000 1867 SPONSOR
- □ \$10.000 SPECIAL EVENT SPONSOR
- □ \$5.000 CONTRIBUTOR
- □ \$2,500 SUPPORTER
- □ \$1,500 **BLUE AND WHITE SPONSOR**

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES:

- **□** \$5,000 PRESIDENT'S VIP RECEPTION
- □ \$ DONATION

Please scan/email OR mail your completed form with credit card information to Mr. Stephen Latson at:

Office of Institutional Advancement Saint Augustine's University 1315 Oakwood Avenue Raleigh, NC 27610 slatson@st-aug.edu 919.516.4092

**All contributions are tax-deductible

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AD SPECIFICATIONS

SIGNATURE

Full page ad - 8" x 10.5" Half page ad - 8" x 5.125"

Please submit electronic versions (JPEG/300 dpi, PDF, EPS) of your sponsorship artwork by email to: Rachel Dixon at rdixon@st-aug.edu no later than April 25, 2023 for inclusion into the program booklet.

DUE DATES

Logo files & advertisements	4/25/23
Payment in full	4/30/23
Guest list names	4/30/23





MAKE A GIFT ONLINE



