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The George Edgecomb Bar Association 43d Annual Scholarship Banquet

“Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs only to the people who prepare for it today.”

– Malcolm X

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Dear Potential Sponsor:

It is with great enthusiasm that we announce the **43rd Annual Scholarship Banquet** of the George Edgecomb Bar Association (GEBA). This year's event will take place on **Friday, April 24, 2026, at the Hilton Tampa Downtown Hotel**, beginning with a reception at 6:00 p.m. and followed by our dinner and awards program at 7:00 p.m.

Since our founding, GEBA has awarded more than **\$350,000 in scholarships** to Hillsborough County public school students who have overcome adversity and demonstrated academic excellence. As our organization has grown, so too has our commitment to investing in the next generation of leaders.

Last year, GEBA proudly awarded two four-year college scholarships, three technical college scholarships, and one bar preparatory scholarship to some of the most exceptional students in Hillsborough County. This year, with your support, we aspire to expand our impact by awarding **three four-year college scholarships**, along with additional technical and senior bar preparatory scholarships.

Thanks to generous sponsors like you, GEBA has helped make the dream of higher education a reality for African American students — many of whom are the first in their families to attend college. These awards represent far more than financial assistance; they are an **investment in the future leaders of our communities, our country, and our world**. Please note that all contributions are tax-deductible.

Enclosed you will find our **Sponsorship Opportunities and Reservation Form**, which outline opportunities to support this year's banquet. We kindly ask that you confirm your sponsorship on or before **March 24, 2026**.

Should you have any questions, please contact our Banquet Chair, Daja Craig, at gebaannouncements@gmail.com.

We sincerely hope you will partner with us in this important mission and help us continue the proud tradition of rewarding academic excellence and resilience.

With gratitude,

Chemere Ellis, President
George Edgecomb Bar Association

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Sponsorship Opportunities

GEBA has refreshed its sponsorship benefits at every level to bring greater value and recognition opportunities to you, our treasured sponsors. Please review these offerings to see how GEBA can maximize the impact of your contribution.

	Presenting \$7,500+	Diamond \$5,000	Presidential \$4,000	Platinum \$3,000	Gold \$2,000	Heritage \$1,500
Number of Tickets	15	10	10	10	10	10
Exclusive Seating Placement	Front Row	Front Row	Priority	Prominent	Reserved	Reserved
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A/V Recognition Acknowledgement in slideshow during banquet	Title Slide	Individual Slide	Individual Slide	Name & Logo	Name & Logo	Name
Website/Newsletter Recognition Recognition in GEBA's weekly newsletter and on website highlighting your involvement	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Social Media Recognition Recognition integrated into GEBA's social media pages	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Tableside Wine Service Two complimentary bottles of wine at dinner	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Acknowledgment During Banquet A special thank you from the dais reserved exclusively for our top-tier sponsors	✓	✓	✓			
Open Bar at Cocktail Reception Complimentary tickets to enjoy our pre-dinner cocktail reception beginning at 6:00 p.m.	✓	✓				
Print Media Representation Your logo will appear on all print advertisements in local media outlets, on program cover, and on all event signage	✓					
Speaking Opportunity During Banquet An opportunity for a member of your organization to deliver a special greeting to our audience of 300+	✓					
Complimentary Parking Parking tickets for your guests	✓					
Access to President's Reception Exclusive access to an open bar reception	✓					
Premium Food Selection Elevated and premium food selection for your guests	✓					



George Edgecomb Bar Association & Foundation
43d Annual Scholarship Banquet
Reservation Form

Name of Sponsor: _____

Contact Person: _____

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Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

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___ Platinum Circle (\$3,000) ___ Gold Circle (\$2,000) ___ Heritage Circle (\$1,500)

Commemorative Souvenir Booklet Ad Selection:

Rear Cover Ad (8.5 x 11)
___ \$600

Full Page Ad (7.5 x 10)
___ \$500

1/2 Page Ad (7.5 x 5)
___ \$300

1/4 Page Ad (3.75 x 5)
___ \$250

Business Card (3.75 x 2.5)
___ \$150

All ads are **in full color!** Advertisements may be submitted in PDF or JPEG format and must be transmitted via email [to gebaannouncements@gmail.com](mailto:to.gebaannouncements@gmail.com) no later than March 24, 2024 to be included in the program.

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Please enclose a check payable to **George Edgecomb Bar Association** and mail to:

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Please confirm your participation early, and no later than **March 24, 2024**. Questions? Contact Scholarship Banquet Committee Chair **Daja Craig** at gebaannouncements@gmail.com.