

September 12, 2017

Dearest Supporter, Steward and Friend,

This year, the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral of Chicago marks a historical year in her history. One hundred and twenty-five years ago in 1892, the Annunciation Cathedral of Chicago was established by a group of people who had emigrated from Laconia as well as some of the Greek Islands. At first, this community rented a hall on Randolph near Union Street, and then asked the Holy Synod of Athens for a priest. Fr. Panagiotis Fiambolis of Ithaca was assigned as the first priest. In March of 1892, the first Divine Liturgy was celebrated. Today we have a beacon of faith in the magnificent Cathedral that serves as the spiritual home to all of Chicago.

Countless liturgies, sacraments and visits of Patriarchs, as well as Archbishops and heads of state have taken place at the Cathedral, the oldest standing Orthodox house of worship in Chicago. Despite many struggles throughout her history, our Cathedral has never ceased serving the needs of the thousands of faithful that have come through her doors over the decades. It is our goal to keep this magnificent parish shining for generations to come.

In celebration of this historical year, a Gala Celebration will be held to remind us of the 125 years of service in faith, love and heritage. The **125TH Cathedral Gala** will take place at the Drake Hotel in Chicago on **Saturday, December 2, 2017** at six o'clock in the evening. Beloved supporter, steward and friend, in order to ensure the success of this event and the continued wellbeing of our most historic community, we seek your support through a Gala Sponsorship or Event Book Sponsorship.

Enclosed please find the 125TH Cathedral Gala sponsorship levels, including what they each provide. We further look forward to seeing you present at the Gala. Formal invitations to this historic event will follow.

It would be our honor to personally discuss in detail any questions you may have about these sponsorship opportunities. Please contact the Cathedral office at 312-664-5485 or use our event email (125GALA@annunciationcathedralchicago.org). On behalf of the entire community, we thank you for your thoughtful consideration of support at this most historic event in the life of our church.

With gratitude,

Rev. Fr. Stamatis G. Sfikas
Cathedral Dean

Nicholas J. Hlis
Parish Council President

Aphrodite E. Peponis
Sponsorship Chair

Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral of Chicago - 125 Gala

- Bronze Sponsor** - \$5,000 - 10 complimentary tickets (one table), full page spread in event program book, name and logo on the event's promotional materials and prominent seating
- Silver Sponsor** - \$10,000 - 10 complimentary tickets (one table), full page double spread in event program book, name and logo on the event's promotional materials and prominent seating
- Gold Sponsor** - \$20,000 - 20 complimentary tickets (two tables), full page double spread in event program book, name and logo on the event's promotional materials and prominent seating
- Ticket** - \$250.00 # _____

Gala Seating Requests:

Event Program Book Advertising and Raffle

- \$225 $\frac{1}{4}$ Page
- \$325 $\frac{1}{2}$ Page
- \$525 Full Page
- \$125 Friends of the Cathedral with name listed
*Send requested program book content to 125GALA@annunciationcathedralchicago.org
- \$25 One Raffle Ticket
- \$100 Five Raffle Tickets

The favor of your reply is requested by November 6, 2017

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