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New Orleans (LA) Chapter

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**Chefs and mixologists to share delectable dishes and libations at virtual
“Swing Into Spring: My Fair Ladies”
Saturday, April 17, 2021**

(New Orleans, LA) -- The New Orleans (LA) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated will host its annual signature fundraiser, “Swing Into Spring: My Fair Ladies” on **Saturday, April 17** via a virtual production from **12:00 pm – 2:00 pm**. The affair will feature chefs and mixologists, who will share recipes and delectable delights; phenomenal raffle items; and the chapter’s signature parade of hats. Scholarship recipients will be presented during the virtual event. Attendance at the online event is complimentary. To attend Swing Into Spring: My Fair Ladies, visit <https://neworleanslinks.org/SwingintoSpring2021>.

Wellness **Chef Traci Vincent** will share her recipe for **Cajun Blackened Shrimp & Grits**. **Chef Edgar “Dook” Chase IV** of Dooky Chase’s Restaurant will create a **Shrimp Linguine** meal. **Chef Vernon Martin** of Exquisite Kreations Catering will share his recipe for **Grilled Shrimp on Crostini**. **Mixologist Jessica Robinson** of Justini Cocktails will present her recipe for a **Champagne Mojito**. **Mixologist Eve Marie** of Dooky Chase’s Restaurant, mixing a **“Professor Higgins,”** a Bourbon Limoncello Basil cocktail, and the complementary **“Eliza Doolittle.”** Ingredients needed to create the meals and cocktails can be downloaded [here](#):

Supporters and guests will be able to participate in a luxury raffle for prizes, including a vacation to Cancun with a \$350 gift certificate for travel expenses; a three-night stay at an Orleans Cottage AirBnB with tickets to a New Orleans Saints game and many other prizes. To participate in the raffle, supporters can visit nolalinks.rallyup.com/nolalinks. To donate by text, supporters are encouraged to **text Nolalinks to 855-202-2100**.

Seven scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 each will be awarded to local high school and college students during the celebratory occasion.

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This fundraising event supports the chapter's community service programs as outlined by the five National Program Facets: Services to Youth, International Trends and Services, National Trends and Services, Health and Human Services, and The Arts.

Tracey Flemings-Davillier and Germaine Davillier serve as gala chairpersons. For more information about Swing Into Spring: My Fair Ladies or to attend, visit <https://neworleanslinks.org/SwingintoSpring2021>.

About the New Orleans (LA) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated

Since it was chartered on November 20, 1957, chapter members have engaged in implementing program services through the five National Program Facets: Services to Youth, International Trends and Services, National Trends and Services, Health and Human Services and The Arts. The chapter's major initiatives include sponsoring the local competition for the Scripps National Spelling Bee; a partnership with Mary McCloud Bethune Elementary School; Obesity Awareness Day; and Law Day, in which Bethune Elementary School students are trained in legal proceedings and participate in a mock trial. The main focus areas are: education and youth activities to assist youth in fulfilling their intellectual potential; addressing issues affecting the African American community through health and wellness projects; fostering cultural appreciation through the arts; and collaborating with other Link chapters to provide services and assistance to global friends. Vonda Flentroy-Rice is the president of the chapter. For more information, visit www.neworleanslinks.org and follow the chapter on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter @NewOrleansLinks.

About The Links, Incorporated

The Links, Incorporated is an international, not-for-profit corporation, established in 1946. The membership consists of nearly 16,000 professional women of color in 292 chapters located in 41 states, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of the Bahamas and the United Kingdom. It is one of the nation's oldest and largest volunteer service organizations of extraordinary women who are committed to enriching, sustaining and ensuring the culture and economic survival of African Americans and other persons of African ancestry. Links members contribute more than **1 million** documented hours of community service annually – strengthening their communities and enhancing the nation. The outstanding programming of The Links, Incorporated has five facets which include **Services to Youth, International Trends and Services, National Trends and Services, Health and Human Services, and The Arts**. The programs are implemented through strategies such as public information and education, economic development, and public policy campaigns. The organization's mission is: Friends Transforming Communities through Service. The organization's vision is: Enrich communities and improve the quality of life to people of African descent through friendship and service. Visit www.linksinc.org for more information.

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