



HERITAGE BALL 2026

THE BEAST



YOUR 4-DAY ITINERARY FOR HERITAGE BALL 2026!

*****HAPPENING THROUGHOUT THE WEEKEND*****

DO YOU HAVE ANY SKILLS?

**SHOW UP AND SHOW OUT • TOURNAMENTS ALL WEEKEND
AT THE "HERITAGE HANGOUT" ALONG WITH SOME "SPECIAL" ADULT TREATS**

**BID WHIST | SPADES | POOL HALL SHARKS
CHESS/CHECKERS | DOMINO'S | JENGA & MORE!**

**GIVING YOU THE TEA ALL WEEKEND
TALKING TEA WITH TIKA #SIPSIP**

HERITAGEBALL.COM | 678-408-2GDI (2434)

“THE BEAST”

15TH ANNUAL HERITAGE BALL

THURSDAY

12:00PM - 5:00PM

HB COMMAND CENTER

**PICKUP / PURCHASE WEEKEND PASSES
AND GET RESERVED TABLE INFORMATION**

**LOCATION: INTERNATIONAL SOUTH
(LOWER LEVEL)**

**11:00AM - 4:00PM | CHAMPAGNE
HOSPITALITY SUITE**

LOCATION: HOST HOTEL -SUITE 3929

12:00PM - 6:00PM | \$25 W/O PASS
**“MIX & MINGLE KICKOFF”
DAY PARTY**

**LOCATION: “HERITAGE HANGOUT”
INTERNATIONAL SOUTH (LOWER LEVEL)**

ATTIRE: COMFY CLOTHES & SHOES

MASTERS OF MUSIC

**DJ DRE DAY (CHICAGO) | DJ CERMELLA
(CHICAGO) | DJ MYRON “THE R” ROBINSON
(CHICAGO) | DJ CALVIN (CHICAGO)**

2:00PM - 4:00PM | \$20 ATD ONLY
**SOUL LINE DANCE XPERIENCE
WORKSHOP - PT. 1**

NOT INCLUDED IN WKD TICKET PACKAGE

**LOCATION: 601 & 602
(ATRIUM LEVEL)**

ATTIRE: DAISY DUKES AND COWBOY BOOTS

INSTRUCTOR

1ST LADY MADDY B

MASTER OF MUSIC

DJ CANDYMANN (ATL)

8:00PM - 3:00AM | \$30 W/O PASS

“WELCOME TO ATLANTA”

**IT’S A SADIE HAWKINS PARTY!!!
LADIES ASK THE MEN TO DANCE ALL NITE**

LOCATION: ATRIUM BALLROOM

**ATTIRE: T-SHIRT W/FAVORITE EMOJI
OR T-SHIRT SAYINGS W/DENIM**

MASTERS OF MUSIC

**DJ SAMPSONITE (ATLANTA) | DJ BLACK COOL
(CHICAGO) | DJ VELL (CHICAGO)**

9:00PM - 3:00AM | \$15 ATD ONLY
**ATLANTA’S FAMOUS CLUB
ELLERY’S**

**LOCATION: 2008 CAMPBELLTON RD SW,
ATLANTA, GA**

*****NO ATHLETIC GEAR/SHOES
(STRICTLY ENFORCED)*****

MASTERS OF MUSIC

**DJ CANDYMANN (ATLANTA) | DJ ROCKIN’
RODNEY MACK (DETROIT) | DJ K-BOOGIE
(ATLANTA)**

WELCOME TO ATLANTA!



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FRIDAY

7:00AM - 3:00AM

VENDORS' ROW SHOPPING

LOCATION: ATRIUM FOYER (ATRIUM LEVEL)

12:00PM - 5:00PM

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LOCATION: INTERNATIONAL SOUTH
(LOWER LEVEL)

11:00AM - 4:00PM

CHAMPAGNE HOSPITALITY SUITE

LOCATION: SUITE 3929

11:00AM - 6:00PM | CIGAR BAR

LOCATION: INTERNATIONAL BALLROOM
(GROUND LEVEL)

12:00PM - 1:30PM | SEMINAR

“RESPECTING THE POWER OF OUR BODY'S
INTELLIGENCE” W/ **DR. BRIDGET L. PIGGUE**

LOCATION: SUITE 708 (ATRIUM LEVEL)

12:00PM - 6:00PM | \$25 W/O PASS
“MIDDAY MADNESS” DAY PARTY

LOCATION: “HERITAGE HANGOUT”
INTERNATIONAL SOUTH (LOWER LEVEL)
ATTIRE: COMFY CLOTHES & SHOES

4 THE HARD WAY - MASTERS OF MUSIC
DJ TRA'NICOLE (CHICAGO) | KEVIN NEVELS
“THE AMBASSADOR” (CHICAGO)
DJ SAMPSONITE (ATLANTA) | DJ MELLOW
KHRIS (CHICAGO)

2:00PM - 4:00PM | \$20 ATD ONLY
DETROIT BALLROOM WORKSHOP

NOT INCLUDED IN WKD TICKET PACKAGE
LOCATION: SUITE 703 (ATRIUM LEVEL)
INSTRUCTOR: MR. SMOOTH & COMPANY

2:30PM - 4:00PM | \$20 ATD ONLY

SOUL LINE DANCE XPERIENCE

WORKSHOP - PT. 2

NOT INCLUDED IN WKD TICKET PACKAGE

LOCATION: SUITE 601 & 602 (ATRIUM LEVEL)

ATTIRE: THE 3 T'S - TANKS OR TEES, TUTU
& TENNIS SHOES

INSTRUCTOR: 1ST LADY MADDY B

MASTER OF MUSIC: DJ CANDYMANN (ATL)

9:00PM - 3:00AM | \$60 W/O PASS

**“CELEBRATING OUR AMAZING
AFRICAN HERITAGE”**

LOCATION: ATRIUM BALLROOM

ATTIRE: AFRICAN/AFROCENTRIC

EMCEE: PETE FRAZIER (CHICAGO)

MASTERS OF MUSIC

DJ CROSS (CHICAGO) | DJ CALVIN (CHICAGO)
DJ MYRON “THE R” ROBINSON (CHICAGO)

5:30PM - 6:30PM | SEMINAR

“MAKIN MONEY MOVES” INCOME
PROTECTION PROGRAM W/ **SARAH TEAGLE
& BYRON LEE**

LOCATION: SUITE 708 (ATRIUM LEVEL)

6:00PM - 7:00PM | FREE

**“LET'S CLEAR THE AIR”
LIVE WITH TEACANDY**

LOCATION: SUITE 601 (ATRIUM LEVEL)

HOSTS: MYRON & LATIKA BILLUPS

CO-HOSTS: 1ST LADY MADDY B & DOE FAREAL

**HUGE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS (TURN UP!) FOR GDI'S OWN
CORA STOVALL O'KELLEY & MELANIE FIELDS**

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SATURDAY

7:00AM - 3:00AM

VENDORS' ROW SHOPPING

LOCATION: ATRIUM BALLROOM FOYER
(ATRIUM LEVEL)

9:30AM - 2:00PM | FREE
FITNESS EXPLOSION

LOCATION: HOST HOTEL SUITE 703 & 704
ATTIRE: FINEST WORKOUT GEAR

WORKOUT MADNESS WITH WORLDWIDE
(E.F.F.E.C.T FITNESS) BY DOOLEY

REFLEXOLOGIST “FREE SAMPLE MASSAGES”
BY VALERIE BATTIS

MASTERS OF MUSIC

DJ K-BOOGIE (ATLANTA) | DJ SAMPSONITE
(ATLANTA)

10:30AM - 12:30PM | \$20 ATD ONLY
DETROIT BALLROOM WORKSHOP

NOT INCLUDED IN WKD TICKET PACKAGE
ATTIRE: COMFY CLOTHES & SHOES
INSTRUCTOR: MR. SMOOTH & COMPANY

11:00AM - 3:00PM | \$50 ATD ONLY
**MEGA STEPPIN' & WALKIN'
WORKSHOP**

NOT INCLUDED IN WKD TICKET PACKAGE
LOCATION: ATRIUM BALLROOM

INSTRUCTORS: DREW, ROYCE, CHARNICE,
ANGIE & MALIK (SWAN)

MASTERS OF MUSIC

DJ KEVIN NEVELS “THE AMBASSADOR”
CHICAGO) | DJ CERMELLA (CHICAGO)

12:00PM - 5:00PM

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LOCATION: INTERNATIONAL BALLROOM
(GROUND LEVEL)

12:00PM - 6:00PM | \$25 W/O PASS
**THE “ULTIMATE HERITAGE
HANGOUT” DAY PARTY**

LOCATION: “HERITAGE HANGOUT”
INTERNATIONAL SOUTH (LOWER LEVEL)
ATTIRE: COMFY CLOTHES & SHOES

MASTERS OF MUSIC

DJ CANDYMAN (ATLANTA) | DJ VELL
(CHICAGO) | DJ CROSS (CHICAGO)
DJ BLACK COOL (CHICAGO)

1:00PM - 2:00PM

COOKING DEMONSTRATION

MARRIOTT MARQUIS EXECUTIVE CHEF, PAM

FREE VEGAN ICE CREME SAMPLING
SCOOPT'D (QUIN “Q” PORTER)

LOCATION: LOBBY OF SUITE 703 & 704

9:00PM - 3:00AM | \$65 W/O PASS
**MAIN EVENT: A GDI DEDICATION
TO “KIMBERLY MARLENE DAVIS”
AFFAIR**

LOCATION: ATRIUM BALLROOM
ATTIRE: “BLACK & WHITE W/ TOUCH OF PINK”
(NO JEANS/DENIM, STRICTLY ENFORCED)

MASTERS OF MUSIC

DJ TRA' NICOLE (CHICAGO) | DJ MELLOW
KHRIS (CHICAGO)

9:00PM - 3:00AM

GET BLUE CARPET READY

STOVALL PHOTOGRAPHY
CEJA PHOTOGRAPHY

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SUNDAY

7:00AM - 3:00AM VENDORS' ROW SHOPPING

LOCATION: ATRIUM BALLROOM FOYER
(ATRIUM LEVEL)

10:00AM - 10:45AM CHAPEL SERVICE REV. WENDY R. TORRES

LOCATION: SUITE 601 (ATRIUM LEVEL)

11:00AM - 1:00PM | \$25 W/O PASS ALL STAR STEPPERS' CHALLENGE “THE REBOOT” FREE W/WKD PACKAGE OR SUNDAY BRUNCH TICKET, SUNDAY WRISTBAND REQUIRED

LOCATION: ATRIUM BALLROOM

ATTIRE: SHADES OF PINK SHIRTS W/DENIM

MASTERS OF MUSIC
DJ CROSS (CHICAGO) | DJ SAMPSONITE (ATL)

HOSTS: CHARNICE SIMMONS (CHICAGO)
& ED DONALDSON (DETROIT)

CONSULTANTS: TERRANCE PRATT,
SHORTY SMOOTH

2:00PM - 6:00PM | \$60 W/O PASS FAREWELL STEPPER'S BRUNCH BRUNCH SERVED 2:00PM - 3:15PM (WHILE SUPPLIES LAST)

FOOD CANNOT STAY OUT FOR A LONG PERIOD OF TIME PER
OSHA (OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH ADMINISTRATION)
MANDATED GUIDELINES

LOCATION: ATRIUM BALLROOM

ATTIRE: SHADES OF PINK SHIRTS W/DENIM

MASTERS OF MUSIC
DJ ROCKIN' RODNEY MACK (DETROIT)
DJ MELLOW KHRIS (CHICAGO)
DJ CALVIN (CHICAGO)

9:00PM - 3:00AM | \$30 W/O PASS “OFF THE CHAIN CHI-TOWN CLOSERS” AFTER PARTY FREE W/WKD PACKAGE OR SUNDAY BRUNCH TICKET, SUNDAY WRISTBAND REQUIRED

LOCATION: ATRIUM BALLROOM

ATTIRE: COMFY CLOTHES & SHOES

MASTERS OF MUSIC
DJ CERMELLA (CHICAGO) | DJ TRA' NICOLE
(CHICAGO) | MYRON “THE R” ROBINSON (CHI)

YOUR GDI TEAM

CHERYL POWE
PRESIDENT/CEO

**MELANIE
FIELDS**
CHIEF FINANCIAL
OFFICER

**CORA STOVALL
O'KELLEY**
CORPORATE
SECRETARY

KIRK PACLEY
TREASURER

ARTHUR ALLEN
SERGEANT AT ARMS

HERITAGE BALL 2026 STAFF SUPPORT

- ALL STAR AMBASSADORS
- PRESIDENT'S EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
- PHOTOGRAPHY
- SOCIAL MEDIA
- MASTERS OF MUSIC
- INSTRUCTORS
- EMCEE
- HEALTH AND WELLNESS
- VENDORS
- ONSITE IT
- SOUND
- SECURITY
- TRANSPORTATION
- ENTERTAINMENT
- ATLANTA MARRIOTT MARQUIS STAFF
- T-SHIRT VENDORS
- FAMILY, FRIENDS AND EACH OF YOU!