

"IYD Chairlady Kennedy Inauguration Gala at a Glance"

Thursday, September 15 at Seven o'clock in the evening Leonard's Palazzo - 555 Northern Boulevard Great Neck, NY 11021

Dear Inauguration Celebration Attendee,

On behalf of Chairlady Vandalyn Kennedy, it is our pleasure to welcome you to New York City. She is honored and overwhelmed with joy that you have traveled from near and far, to join us in this Inauguration Celebration Weekend. We look forward to providing you with a memorable experience.

If you have purchased tickets and aren't able to attend, please respond to this email, so that Chairlady Kennedy can sponsor a young person to be a part of this auspicious occasion.

Official CL Kennedy Celebration Weekend Hashtags #AKennedyAffair

#IYDTakesNYC

Please review the guide below to find helpful information for your Celebration experience! If you are a part of a group that will be attending, please share this email and information with those who are a part of your group.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:

What are the designated hotels for the event?

Renaissance Hotel at Flushing

133-36 37th Avenue | Queens, NY 11354

- This hotel is 8.9 miles from JFK Airport
- This hotel is 2.9 miles away from LaGuardia Airport
- Parking cost \$38 a day
- 30 minute drive to Lenard's Palazzo (if traffic is cooperative)
- 30 minute drive to Mt. Sinai (if traffic is cooperative)

The Marriott Uniondale: Long Island

101 James Doolittle Blvd

Uniondale, NY 11553

- This hotel is 18 miles from the JFK Airport (No Transportation Provided)
- This hotel is 24 miles away from the LaGuardia Airport (No Transportation Provided)
- This hotel has complimentary parking
- 20 minute drive to Leonard's Palazzo
- 50 minute drive to Mt. Sinai COGIC

TRANSPORTATION:

• From the Airport -

There is shuttle service from LaGuardia to the Renaissance Hotel. Upon arrival, call the hotel at 718-886-2001 and press 2 when your flight lands. They will take your name and number to track you all the way to curb-side. The shuttle runs every hour.

• To the Inaugural Banquet –

Shuttle bus service will be available on Thursday, September 15, 2022 from the Renaissance Hotel to the Inaugural Banquet venue. Boarding will begin at 5:30 p.m. departing the hotel at 5:45 p.m. Please reply to this email if you desire transportation on the shuttle bus. Space is limited. Upon the conclusion of the Gala, everyone will board for departure back to the Renaissance hotel at 11:15 p.m.

EVENT PARKING:

Where should I park when I arrive at Leonard's Palazzo?

If you are driving, self-Parking is available. Ladies, please request drop-off at the door and allow your party to park.

BANQUET TICKETS: Doors open at 6:30 P.M. I paid via Eventbrite, but where is my ticket?

Eventbrite will send you an electronic ticket (e-ticket) via email for this event. If you have paid for your ticket on Eventbrite but are unable to locate it we ask that you please first check your email's junk/spam folder. If you are still having difficulty, please connect with any of our Celebration staff, and we will gladly assist you.

How will I get checked in for the Gala?

Upon arrival, there will be two stations for General & VIP Guest Ticket validation. If you purchased tickets or a table, and did not provide a name for each ticket purchased, please email seantea.stewart@outlook.com with the specific first and last name associated with each ticket you purchased (if possible provide your Order Number contained in your confirmation email).

NY CRAWL: Meet at 8:00 A.M.

Where can I find tickets to the NYC Crawl?

The NYC Crawl is welcome to all, there are no tickets needed but we do ask that you fill out <u>this form</u> so that we are able to properly accommodate all of our guests.

NY CRAWL LINK: https://docs.google.com/document/d/17ATnh5vbbrZjZvHPvM-v2xMRa3RX6J6rdl2eDWFxfdY/edit

RSVP LINK: https://forms.gle/M8gVac617ZwHt2cg6

BIRTHDAY CONCERT:

Do I need to RSVP for the Concert?

Chairlady's Birthday Concert is **FREE** and there is no RSVP needed. We do encourage you to travel in groups and arrive early as seating will be first come, first served. Please note, transportation will be on your own. (ie. Uber/Lyft) Concert Location:

Mt. Sinai Cathedral COGIC

1916 Fulton Street

Brooklyn, NY 11233

*Traffic times are subject to change due to rush hour traffic in the city, please plan your travel accordingly.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

If I want to share a congratulatory salute, proclamation or tribute where can I send it?

Please send to: <u>karobinson7@yahoo.com</u>.

Will COVID Protocols be in place?

The Inaugural Celebration Gala Executive Committee asks that all appropriate precautions such as testing three days prior to traveling or attending the event, or remaining home if you have COVID-19 symptoms are observed. Masks are encouraged. Sanitizing stations are on site and temperature checks will be performed.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:

Who do I contact in case of an emergency?

In case of emergency please contact IYD Customer Care at (347) 881-3428.

Who do I contact if I have additional questions or require assistance?

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