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Come Have a Ball, Y'all! Donelson-Hermitage Chamber of Commerce Women in Business Hosts the Inaugural Influencing Women Awards

Tickets on sale now

The Donelson-Hermitage Chamber of Commerce Women in Business Committee is hosting their inaugural **Influencing Women Awards** on June 20th, 2019, from 6:00-9:00p.m. at Studio A in the Grand Ole Opry House. Sponsored by Springer Mountain Farms and aptly named It's a Ball Y'all, the formal gala will honor nineteen outstanding women and three businesses in the Donelson-Hermitage area. These honorees represent a wide array of industries and individuals who work tirelessly to contribute positively to the community in which they live and work.

"I'm happy to welcome and attend the Donelson-Hermitage Chamber's inaugural It's a Ball Y'all event honoring extraordinary women and businesses who support them in our community. It's even more special that it's being held at the historic Grand Ole Opry's Studio A," say Metro Councilman Jeff Syracuse.

In honor of the history and tradition of Studio A, the evening's entertainment will feature Buck Trent, Lulu Roman, and Roni Stoneman from the cast of the renowned variety show *Hee Haw*. Roni Stoneman, hailed as the First Lady of Banjo, is the youngest daughter of the acclaimed Stoneman family. Her impeccable banjo playing combined with her humor made her a *Hee Haw* favorite. She still entertains audiences today in performances worldwide. Preeminent banjo player and inventor of the electric banjo Buck Trent has made quite a name for himself through the years. He first performed on The Grand Ole Opry in the late 1950s and joined Porter Wagoner's Wagonmasters shortly thereafter. He went on to star on both *The Roy Clark Show* and *Hee Haw* and had great success with his own *Buck Trent's Morning Show* in Branson, Missouri. Lulu Roman overcame many hardships before becoming famous for her lead role on *Hee Haw*. She is not only a hilarious comedian and performer, but also an award winning gospel singer. She still enjoys sharing her talent, testimony, and music with fans all over the world. Not since the conclusion of the show have these delightful performers returned to the Studio A stage, and it will be a side-splitting performance not to be missed!

Sponsored by Ryman Hospitality Properties, Inc. and Pinnacle Financial Partners, the evening's Birds and Bubbly themed menu will be catered by Party Fowl. A portion of the evening's proceeds will benefit Girls on the Run, an organization dedicated to inspiring young girls to be joyful, healthy and confident. Tickets are \$100 each and can be purchased online at <http://bit.ly/ItsABallYall-Tickets> or by phone at 615-883-7896.

The Donelson Hermitage Chamber of Commerce was founded in February 1977 and has grown from a membership of a few business leaders of the community to an organization that encompasses

approximately 400 businesses, individuals and organizations as members. It is the largest, most recognized and active organization in the area and promotes its member's growth and prosperity to enhance the greater Donelson-Hermitage community as an ideal place to work, live and raise a family. Recognizing that women command a unique place in the business environment, the Chamber formed Women in Business in 2007. The focus is to provide an avenue for women to connect, celebrate, mentor and support each other.

If You Go:

Inaugural Influencing Women Awards Gala, *It's A Ball Y'all*

June 20, 2019

6:00 p.m.

Studio A at The Grand Ole Opry House

2804 Opryland Drive, Nashville, TN 37214

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