

ASSOCIATION OF RICE UNIVERSITY BLACK ALUMNI

The Blueprint for Excellence

A CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION
OF ACHIEVEMENT

Dear Friend,

As the Honorary chairs of the Centennial Celebration of the Association of Rice University Black Alumni (ARUBA), I ask that you take a moment to secure your place at an extraordinary event to take place on Friday, October 12, 2012, by making a commitment to attend and support the event.

This event will be the highlight of ARUBA's centennial activities during the university-wide Centennial Celebration scheduled for October 10-14, 2012.

Black alumni, students, and community are an important part of the Rice story. Together, we will explore our journey with this special event titled "The Blueprint for Excellence: A Centennial Celebration of Achievement." This event will include recognition of distinguished ARUBA alumni and university staff for their service to the Rice legacy of excellence in career, community service, and contribution to the University.

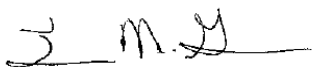
Guests will delight in visiting with former classmates and engaging with other alumni and friends during the Blueprint reception and awards dinner. The Blueprint of Excellence event will be held in the Grand Salon of Houston's renowned La Colombe d'Or Restaurant and Hotel.

Enclosed you will find a variety of ways to support and contribute to the event. We hope that you will consider joining us at a Sponsor level, which will allow us to support current Black students and future ARUBA initiatives for the benefit of the university.

If you have any questions, please contact Kenitra Brown '07, Chair of Budget and Sponsorships for the event at kenitra.brown@alumni.rice.edu, or Carme Williams, Director of Development at Rice University at carme@rice.edu or 713-348-4635. Attached is the formal invitation for the event.

We look forward to seeing you in October!

Sincerely,



Terrance Gee '86
ARUBA Centennial Celebration Honorary Chair



Dr. Raymond Johnson '69
ARUBA Centennial Celebration Honorary Chair



Angela Berry-Roberson '90
ARUBA Centennial Celebration Chair



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Friday, October 12, 2012 **Sponsor Opportunities** (Sponsors will receive recognition at the event.)

Tables

- o **\$2,500 — Benefactor** (Fair Market Value \$750)
 - Priority Gala table for 10 and 10 invitations to the VIP reception with the award winners/nominees
- o **\$1,000 — Advocate** (Fair Market Value \$300)
 - Priority seating for four at the dinner and four invitations the VIP reception with the award winners/nominees
- o **\$500 — Supporter** (Fair Market Value \$150)
 - Priority seating for two at the dinner and two invitations the VIP reception with the award winners/nominees
- o **\$250 — Friend** (Fair Market Value \$75)
 - Priority seating for one at the dinner and one invitation to the VIP reception with the award winners/nominees

Tickets

- o **Reserved Gala table for 10** (Fair Market Value \$750)
- o **Individual ticket** (Fair Market Value \$75)

To RSVP, check one of the preferred levels above, fill out the information below, print and return along with payment to:

Rice University
ARUBA Blueprint for Excellence
Carme Williams, Resource Development – MS 81
P.O. Box 1892, Houston, TX 77251-1892

Please secure your reservation and commitment by Monday, October 1, 2012.

Contact information: (Fields marked with a * are required.) *Title: o Dr. o Mr. o Mrs. o Ms.

*First Name (s) _____ *Last Name _____
Company or foundation _____

*Email _____ *Phone _____

*Address _____ *City _____ *State _____ *Zip: _____

*Rice relationship: o Alumnus/alumna o Faculty o Staff o Parent o Friend o Class year (if applicable) _____

***Preferred method of Preferred Method of Payment:** o Check enclosed: \$ _____
Check No. _____ (Made payable to Rice University)

Credit card: (check one) o Visa o MasterCard o AMEX o Discover Amount: \$ _____

Card No. _____ - _____ - _____ - _____ Exp. date: ____ - ____ CCV# on back of card _____

Name on card _____ Signature _____ Date _____

I/We are unable to attend but would like to offer support through a donation of \$ _____.

For more information, please contact Carme Williams, director of Development, at 713-348-4635 or carme@rice.edu. Contributions are processed under Rice's tax-exempt number (74-1109620). Your contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

