



GEORGIA HISPANIC
Chamber of Commerce

38TH ANNUAL BUSINESS
AWARDS & GALA

LEGACY

LEADERS & LEGENDS
Igniting Possibilities

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38TH ANNUAL AWARDS & BLACK-TIE GALA

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LEADERS & LEYENDAS

IGNITING POSSIBILITIES

PROGRAM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2026

Omni Atlanta Hotel at Centennial Park

North Tower - Grand Ballroom

Together, we ignite possibilities and partnerships that lead to legacies.



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PROGRAM OF EVENTS

WELCOME & OPENING

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Ivan Shammass and Sasha Rionda

Masters of Ceremonies

GALA CO-CHAIR WELCOME

Carlos Pagoaga and Sam Zamarrippa

Gala Co-Chairs

THE POWER OF PARTNERSHIP

Passport to Partnership & Possibilities

Trip to Argentina Raffle Experience | Silent Auction and Featured Presentation

Hosted by Ivan Shammass and Sasha Rionda

PRESENTING SPONSOR REMARKS

Anne Ostholthoff

VP of Corporate Social Responsibility

AssuranceAmerica

BOARD CHAIR WELCOME

Socorro Rodriguez

Chair, GHCC Board of Directors

LEGACY VIDEO

DINNER, INVOCATION & SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Invocation by Luis Bonilla

Recognition of distinguished guests, elected officials, the consular corps, sponsors, partners and GHCC leadership.

PRESIDENT & CEO REMARKS - GEORGIA'S MOMENT

Veronica Maldonado-Torres

President & CEO, Georgia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

Georgia State Senator Jon Ossoff

(Video)

SOMOS FÚTBOL GEORGIA OPENING

Veronica Maldonado-Torres



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SOMOS FÚTBOL GEORGIA AWARDS

LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AWARD

Mayor Andre Dickens

City of Atlanta and Showcase Atlanta

CORPORATE IMPACT AWARD

Talpa Supermercados

Louis Cárdenas

COMMUNITY UNITY AWARD

Atlanta Eagles Arena

Elmer Pineda

LEGACY: LEADERS & LEYENDAS

HONORS & AWARDS

COMMUNITY & IMPACT AWARDS

GHCC MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Latin Fresh

GHCC AMBASSADOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

Suzette Bryan

SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCACY AWARD

Hilda Abbott

Dueños de Crecimiento

COMMUNITY & IMPACT HONOREE

The Same House

INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIP AWARD

Cremería Americana / San Antonio Bakery

CHAIRMAN'S LEADERSHIP AWARD

Ramón Reyes Business Excellence Awards

ENTREPRENEURIAL EXCELLENCE AWARD

Jared Gaitán

ENT Party ATL

BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARD

Ruben Giraldo

ANATEK

LEGACY ENTERPRISE AWARD

SOLVO



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VISIONARY WOMAN IN BUSINESS AWARD

Adela Iturregui, Esq.

CORPORATE CHAMPION AWARD

Atlanta Gas Light

Accepted by Javier Montalvo

PRESIDENT'S LEADERSHIP AWARD

José Niño

Presented by Veronica Maldonado-Torres

GHCC LEGACY EMPLOYEE AWARD

Juanita Rivera

GHCC LEGACY TRIBUTE

Celebrating 20+ Years of Partnership and Impact

Collective Recognition and Honoree Group Photo

THE NEXT LEGACY

THE NEXT LEGACY AWARDS

HYPE EMERGING LEADER AWARD

Jessica Garcia

EME WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP AWARD

Dr. Angedith "Angie" Poggi

CHLI DISTINGUISHED LEADERSHIP AWARD

Radamez Rouffet

VALOR VETERAN LEADERSHIP AWARD

Neal VanMarten

HISPANIC BUSINESS CENTER RISING STAR AWARD

Brave Pro

Jorge Itriago and María Hernández

CREAR ARTS & CULTURAL LEADERSHIP AWARD

Alliance Theatre

Special Performance and Recognition



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HONORS & FINALE

CELEBRATING LEGACY

THE NEXT LeGAcY

A Celebration of Future Leadership, Opportunity and Impact

Veronica Maldonado-Torres, Ivan Shammass and Sasha Rionda

FINAL GIVING MOMENT

Ivan Shammass and Sasha Rionda

LeGAcY Celebration & Dance

DJ, music and celebration

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