



Nigerian-American Multicultural Council (NAMC)

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Invitation to Sponsor the Nigerian-American Multicultural Council's (NAMC) 5th Annual Gala

To whom it may concern,

The Nigerian-American Multicultural Council (NAMC) requests your support by sponsoring its **5th Annual Fundraising Gala & Awards**, scheduled for **Saturday, April 30, 2016**, at **Westin Galleria Houston**, 5060 W Alabama St, Houston, Texas 77056. Previous guests at our annual gala include Nigeria's former President, Chief Olusegun Obasanjo; Nigeria's Foreign Affairs Minister, Ambassador Olugbenga Ashiru; Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee; Pastor Kirbyjon Caldwell of Windsor Village United Methodist Church; Nigeria's Ambassador to the United States, Professor Adebowale Adefuye; Dr. Kase Lawal, Chairman / CEO Camac Inc.; and Dr. Nelson Oyesiku, Professor of Neurology.

NAMC is a Houston based non-profit, 501 (c) (3) organization and we are proud of our work to strengthen the contribution of Nigerian-Americans in society. NAMC focuses on four core areas: professional development, mentorship, cultural enrichment, and community development. To learn more about NAMC, please see attached and visit our website at www.namchouston.org.

Your sponsorship can bring about positive changes in our communities and will enhance NAMC's mission, including the following NAMC goals: (1) building the first cultural center in the United States; (2) showcasing positive and valuable Nigerian traditions; (3) strengthening the Nigerian community in Houston through cultural interaction and encouragement of entrepreneurship opportunities; and (4) inspiring Nigerian-Americans to serve.

Houston, with over 200,000 Nigerians, is home to the 2nd largest number of Nigerians in the U. S., with a high concentration of professionals and entrepreneurs. Given our success across sectors, we believe that building the first cultural center in the United States is both an honor and our responsibility. The center will serve as a civic center for Nigerians and a learning center for Houston community to understand Nigeria's rich and diverse culture.

We have included the various sponsorship levels for your review. Please contact the undersigned or Abby Kotun at 281-788-8798 or akotun@gmail.com to discuss your participation in our sponsorship program. We would be glad to answer any questions you have about the gala or NAMC.

Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,

Yemi Koyejo
President
832-646-3338

Board Members: Dr. Adekunle Adesina, Oluseyi Afolabi, Dr. Tonye Briggs, Tony Henshaw, Ellen Hughes, Unwana Nkeme, Dr. Sunny Ohia, Sola Oyinlola, Alhaji Suraj Seriki, Rev. Martin Stringer, Dr. Dalhatu Umaru

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NAMC Programs & Events

In the past five years, NAMC has delivered a slate of high value and high impact programs, including the following:

- ❖ **Executive Roundtable Series:** NAMC pairs groups of young African professionals with senior African industry executives to learn how these successful executives were able to reach the top of their careers. Each session targets a specific industry and provides a great professional development opportunity. We have hosted Executive Roundtables focused on Law, Energy, Medicine, Education, Finance and Accounting, and Entrepreneurship.
 - Our entrepreneurship sessions have featured, among others:
 - **Alex Ghodsi** – Rigid Global Buildings, *Co-Founder and Chairman*
 - **Dr. Kase Lawal** – CAMAC Energy, *Chairman*
 - **Sir Demola Aladekomo** – CHAMS Group, *Managing Director*
 - Our energy sessions have featured, among others:
 - **Sola Oyinlola** – Schlumberger, *Chairman Africa & Global Head Sustainability (Retired)*
 - **Elijah White** – ExxonMobil Exploration Company, *Vice President for Africa*
 - **Fulkra J. Mason** – Spectra Energy, *Vice President of Environment, Health and Safety*
 - Our finance and accounting session featured:
 - **Marshal Sulayman** – Deloitte LLP, *Partner*
 - **L. Keith McLendon** – ExxonMobil, *Planning & Development Manager, Downstream Controllers*
 - Our law sessions have featured:
 - **Judge Vanessa D. Gilmore** – U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas
 - **Judge Alexandra Smoots-Hogan** – 164th Civil Court in Harris County, Texas
 - **O.J. Lawal** – *Attorney at Law*
 - **Debra Hatter** – Strasburger & Price, LLP, *Partner*
 - **Jammy Kiggundu** – *Attorney at Law*
 - **Patrick Chukelu** – *Attorney at Law*
 - **Daniella Sanders** – Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP, *Partner*
 - Our medical session featured:
 - **Dr. Adekunle Adesina** – Baylor College of Medicine, *Professor of Pathology & Immunology and Pediatrics*
 - **Dr. Oluyinka Olutoye** – Texas Children's Hospital, *Co-Director of the Texas Children's Fetal Center*
 - Our education session featured:
 - **Tina Edebor** – SEONE Educational Services, Nig. Ltd., Abuja, *CEO*
 - **Marvin Pierre** – KIPP Polaris Academy for Boys, *Assistant Principal*
 - **Remi Willoughby** – Roboglobal Educational Consulting, *Founder*
 - **Dr. Paulette Willis** – ReasoningMind, *Partnership Engagement Specialist*
 - **Nwamaka Uzoh** – Teach for America, *Director, District and School Partnerships*
- ❖ **High School Student Mentorship Programs:** These annual programs are led by a group of young Nigerian-American professionals and have been attended by more than 500 high school students.
 - **Career Discovery:** The event exposes students to a wide range of careers that can be pursued in college and helped to foster a “big brother/sister” relationship between these high school students and young professionals who can more closely relate to the developmental struggles of high school students.
 - **College Admissions Workshop:** This workshop invites Admissions Officers from the flagship Texas Universities to speak to the students on the college admission process and college preparatory information. The students also interact with college students and young professionals to ask first-hand questions.
- ❖ **AfriFEST:** This event, held three times thus far, has provided the opportunity to share Africa’s culture with over 1000 members of the Houston community. Other African communities that have participated include Angola, Cameroon, Ethiopia, Ghana, Togo, and Uganda.

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Sponsorship Levels and Benefits

Partner – \$20,000

Acknowledgement in All Printed Materials and Event Signage
Two VIP Tables of Ten (10) at Gala
Speaking Opportunity at Gala
Product Placement Opportunity
Complimentary Valet Parking for Ten (10)
Back Page Ad in Souvenir Book

Platinum – \$15,000

Acknowledgement in All Printed Materials and Event Signage
One VIP Table of Ten (10) at Gala
Speaking Opportunity at Gala
Product Placement Opportunity
Complimentary Valet Parking for Ten (10)
Center Page Ad in Souvenir Book

Gold – \$10,000

Acknowledgement in All Printed Materials and Event Signage
One Table of Ten (10) at Gala
Product Placement Opportunity
Complimentary Valet Parking for Ten (10)
Full Page Ad in Souvenir Book

Silver – \$5,000

Acknowledgement in All Printed Materials and Event Signage
Five (5) Tickets to Gala
Product Placement Opportunity
Full Page Ad in Souvenir Book

Bronze – \$2,500

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Ads in Souvenir Book

Inside Front Cover – \$1,000
Inside Back Cover – \$500
Full Page – \$125
Half Page Ad – \$75
Quarter Page Ad – \$50

Raffle Draw and Silent Auction

Donations

Airline Tickets, Televisions, Tablets, Portable Phones, Video Cameras, Digital Cameras



SPONSORSHIP COMMITMENT FORM

Sponsor names will be included on event souvenir book subject to timely receipt of the Sponsorship Commitment Form, no later than April 15, 2016. Please contact Abby Kotun at 281-788-8798 (akotun@gmail.com) or Temidayo Kola-Kehinde at 720-998-6726 or email NAMC at info@namchouston.org for more information.

Please complete sponsorship form. Make **checks payable to NAMC** and mail check and form to: NAMC Houston, 8226 Furlong Lane, Houston, Texas 77071. If **paying electronically** (via PayPal or otherwise), scan form and email to info@namchouston.org. For online payments through PayPal, go to NAMC's website, www.namchouston.org, and click on Donate.

YES, I pledge my support as a Sponsor / Underwriter of NAMC's 2016 Gala at the following level:

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