

9TH ONE NIGHT IN THE

 November 4, 2023
 UF/IFAS Tropical Research and Education Center

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Stakeholder Investments Generate Discoveries



UF/IFAS Tropical Research & Education Center (UF/IFAS TREC) is an integral part of the Miami-Dade community. We develop and disseminate science-based information about tropical and subtropical crops and natural resource sciences through basic and applied research,

extension, and teaching to sustain and enhance the quality of human life and the natural environment. We are the only state university research and education center in the continental U.S. focusing on the largest variety of tropical and subtropical crops. Our outstanding faculty, staff, and students conduct cutting edge research in areas including crop and plant breeding and biotechnology, sea level rise, soil and water management, environmental conservation, climate change, invasive plant pests and disease management, agriculture, and ecosystems sustainability. By responding to and working with local producers, our science is tangibly impacting the agricultural output and natural resource management in south Florida.

Since our establishment in 1929, members of the community including local civic organizations have played an important role in assisting with funding our operations. In addition, as part of a landgrant university, we receive some support from federal, state, and county resources. But, for UF/IFAS TREC to excel and continue to deliver the level of service that you, our stakeholders, have grown accustomed to, up-to-date facilities and instrumentation are a requirement. Your continued support, however big or small, is critical to us meeting this need and enabling us to more effectively carry out our mission of addressing the agricultural and natural resources needs of our community. Therefore, we look forward to and remain extremely appreciative of your support. Once again, we thank you for having our back.

Edward 'Gilly' A. Evans

UNDERWRITING OPPORTUNITIES

Underwriters will be recognized accordingly with appropriately-themed branding where the sponsor may elect to feature their name or logo. Inkind contributions of the underwriting options below will be considered. All underwriters will receive listed recognition in order of giving values in the event program.

Brand/Product Placement\$2,500	Cocktail Hour\$1,000
Live Entertainment \$2,000	Dancers\$750
Wine\$1,500	Photo Experience\$500
Décor\$1,000	Dessert \$250

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES*

At the root of all breakthroughs is knowledge. In providing scholarship opportunities for students, you do more than support the graduate student's learning, you are investing in the student, the Center's research, the community, and the world.

Academic (full year)	\$10,800
Student Travel\$1,0	00-\$5,000
Internships	\$3,000
Research	\$5,000

AUCTION DONATION

Please consider a donation to the One Night in the Tropics. All donations of goods and/or services are greatly appreciated. Proceeds from all items sold will benefit UF/IFAS TREC.

*Customizable underwriting opportunities and detailed scholarship information available upon request.



Sponsorships Foster Innovation

DIAMOND

Benefits:

- Premier table for 8 guests with a VIP couple
- Full-page ad* in event program
- Sponsor category logo placement on:
 - » Event program
 - » Event signage
 - » Website
 - » Social media (2 posts)
- Mention in event press release
- Spotlight in event reminder email

Cost: \$5,500

PLATINUM

Benefits:

- Prominent table for 10 guests
- Half-page ad* in event program
- Sponsor category logo placement on:
 - » Event program
 - » Event Signage
 - » Website
 - » Social media (1 post)
- Mention in event press release

Cost: \$3,800

GOLD

Benefits:

- Table for 8 guests
- Half-page ad* in event program
- Sponsor category logo placement on:
 - » Event program
 - » Event signage
 - » Website
- Mention in event press release

Cost: \$3,000

Customizable sponsorship opportunities available upon request. *Ad specs provided upon sponsorship confirmation.

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SILVER

Benefits:

- Tickets for 5 guests
- Half-page ad* in event program
- Sponsor category logo or mention in:
 - » Event program
 - » Event signage
 - » Website

Cost: \$2,200

BRONZE

Benefits:

- Tickets for 2 guests
- Quarter-page ad* in event program
- Sponsor category logo or mention in:
 - » Event program
 - » Event signage
 - »Website

Cost: \$1,100

INDIVIDUAL TICKETS

\$165 each online until October 27 Beginning October 28, \$185 each online and at the door

Customizable sponsorship opportunities available upon request. *Ad specs provided upon sponsorship confirmation. Please print as you wish it to appear on printed material:

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