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## 2018 Georgia Minority Business Awards *Breakfast* “The Year of the Entrepreneurs”

ATLANTA, GA -- On March 29, 2018 at 7:00am at the Pinewood Atlanta Premium Facilities (Studio Café), the Georgia Minority Business Awards (GMBA) will host their 1st annual awards reception breakfast gala to celebrate minority businesses and entrepreneurs from around Georgia who are making an impact within their perspective communities in the film and entertainment industries. The Georgia Minority Business Awards represents all people, ethnicities, and cultures. The speakers, CEO's, minority business winners and scholarship recipients represent the best in success and exhibit these behaviors and values nationally and throughout the state of Georgia.

Our awards committee recognizes these superior qualities in performance, citizenship, leadership, ethical behavior, diversity and teamwork. These individuals share their philosophy for putting customers first, increasing the value of their companies and organizations, which make their workplace, a great place to work and have had a tremendous impact on the City of Atlanta and the State of Georgia. The keynote speaker for the breakfast will be Tirrell D. Whittley, the visionary and executive leader of LIQUID SOUL. Other special invited dignitaries that will be in attendance includes: Mayor Edward J. Johnson, Jr., City of Fayetteville, Tamara W. Patridge, Clayton County Economic Development & Film, and Lisa Smith, Region Manager for Georgia Power's Metro South.

“I started these award celebrations to simply acknowledge and congratulate local and small business men and women entrepreneurs who are trendsetters in their own right,” founder and Executive Director Creed W. Pannell, Jr. shared. “Planning to work the plan you create, is merely a good idea; working the plan to work for yourself – makes you an entrepreneur. Some of Atlanta's most respectable business leaders will be presenting awards this year to deserving innovators.”

In partnership with Business Development Initiative, Inc. (BDI), which is an entrepreneurial school for youth in high school and middle school, scholarships will be awarded to students at colleges and universities that have a focus on International Studies, IT partnership programs with business schools and MBA campaigns to promote future employment opportunities and corporate growth in Georgia. What began as merely a vision has turned into a successful annual award event, one in which businesses and entrepreneurs now look forward to being a part of each year. Many thanks to Creed W. Pannell, Jr. for his follow through with the vision and commitment to the leadership of the GMBA. The Year of the Entrepreneur is a theme worthy of repetition and recognition.

**GMBA will honor the following individuals:**

- (1) **Film and Movie Award for Technology** - Winston D. Johnson, Founder of WinSonic Holdings, Ltd.
- (2) **Film and Movie Industry Award for Production** – Tammy Williams, Founder/CEO OF Tammy'Dele Films

**Our proud sponsors are:** Georgia Minority Business Awards, City of East Point, GA Power, Creed Global Association, Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, 3 Day Website, Atlanta Business Journal, Business Development Initiative (BDI), Active Boomers Expo, WinSonic Technologies, Tammy' Dele Films, Unity National Bank, Lincoln Financial and Simon Sign Systems.

**About the Georgia Minority Business Awards:**

The Georgia Minority Business Awards is mandated to evolve and effect change to sustain and propel the vision in this 21st century. The awards sponsoring magazine, the Atlanta Business Journal is proud to serve as a catalyst for a new generation of business owners which notably serve as a valuable trend indicator in "Building Cultural and Global Relationships."

We embrace diversity, overcome cultural obstacles and continue to build global relationships. The amalgamation of minds forms partnerships thus creating common ground for success and achievement.

The names, Atlanta Business Journal and Georgia Minority Business Awards reflects our dedication to help generate awareness about the positive changes and the collective successes of the multi-cultural communities and we look forward to continuing to share and recognize those collective successes for years to come.

**Date: March 29, 2018**

**Time: 7:00AM – 9:00AM**

**Location: Pinewood Atlanta Studios (The Studio Café)**

**461 Sandy Creek Rd #2121, Fayetteville, GA 30214**

**For tickets, please visit**

**<http://gaminoritybusinessawards.com/>**

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