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THE ATLANTA OPERA OPENS 2010-2011 SEASON WITH THE ATLANTA OPERA BALL: LA VIE BOHÈME SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2010 -- ST. REGIS ATLANTA

Evening Features an Exciting Silent Auction, Dinner, Dancing, and Special Opera Performance

Atlanta, GA – To kick-off Atlanta's fall social season, The Atlanta Opera will hold *The Atlanta Opera Ball: La vie bohème* on Saturday, September 25, 2010 at the St. Regis Atlanta at 88 W. Paces Ferry Road in Buckhead. A Legendary Event owner and designer, Tony Conway, will transform the St. Regis Ballroom into a stunning 19th-century French marketplace. *The Atlanta Opera Ball*, chaired by Marlene Alexander, Monica Dioda and D. Jack Sawyer, Jr., will begin at 6:30 pm. and includes an exciting silent auction, an elegant dinner, dancing, and a short vocal performance by cast members of the Atlanta Opera's 2010-2011 season opener, Giacomo Puccini's beloved *La bohème*. Patron tickets, starting at \$1,500 are on sale now, and individual tickets, \$300 per person, will be available beginning August 12. This *Fête de l'Opéra* benefits the artistic and educational programming of The Atlanta Opera.

EVENT DETAILS

What: The 23rd Annual Atlanta Opera Ball

Where: St. Regis Atlanta
88 West Paces Ferry Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30305

When: Saturday, September 25, 2010

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Tickets: Patron tickets start at \$1,500
Single tickets are \$300 per person – available beginning August 12

For tickets and further information, please contact 404.881.8801 or visit www.atlantaopera.org.

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- Event Co-Chairs:* Marlene Alexander, Monica Dioda and D. Jack Sawyer, Jr.
- Past Chair/Advisor:* Joanne Chesler Gross
- Honorary Chair:* Alfred Kennedy
- Heritage Circle :* All former Atlanta Opera Ball Honorary Chairs and Co-Chairs
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