









MARRIOTT MAURITIUS PRESENTS THE THIRD ANNUAL GOVERNOR'S BALL TO BENEFIT UNICEF'S WASH PROJECT

A Black-Tie Fundraiser to Improve the Quality of Water, Sanitation & Hygiene for Children and Families in Africa and the Middle East.

August 2017, Mauritius - Following last year's charity event, Marriott Mauritius, comprised of The St. Regis Mauritius Resort, The Westin Turtle Bay Resort & Spa Mauritius, and Le Méridien Ile Maurice, is proud to announce its third annual Governor's Ball; a black-tie event to raise funds for UNICEF's WASH Project.

The Governor's Ball 2016 raised over Rs. 1 million (over 30,000 USD) in support of UNICEF's WASH Project which provides clean drinking water and proper sanitation facilities for children and families across Africa & the Middle East. These funds were enough to assist over 270,000 children in one month.

All proceeds from ticket sales, raffle sales and auction bids donated to UNICEF.

Last year, prizes and donations were made possible by the help of sponsors such as Air Mauritius, New Creative Design, DB Vision & Patrick's Floral, Grays, Oxenham, Coca Cola & Vivreau Mauritius Helicopters, Adamas Jewellers, artist Susy Tanji Flynn and Orange Grey Communications, St. Regis Singapore, W Sentosa St. Regis Saaduyat, Ajman Suray, Mauritius Helicopters, JPH BoatHouse and Phoenix Beverages.

This year Le Méridien Ile Maurice has the honor to host the formal event at its well-known venue: Chamarel Ballroom, inspired by Casino Royal theme from secret agent James Bond movie, followed by an after party, dancing and poker game. A surprising glamour feel and set-up will house the event on Saturday 14th October, 2017. Tickets are at Rs 2,900 per person and Rs 29,000 for a table of 10.

GOVERNOR'S BALL BY MARRIOTT MAURITIUS

Saturday October 14, 2017 Le Méridien Ile Maurice, Village Hall Lane Pointe aux Piments Black-Tie Event starting at 6.30pm

Ticket prices include the following:

- ❖ Welcome Cocktail Hour with acoustic stylings and show at The Bois Cheri bar
- Entry into the Grand Prize Raffle:
- 4 Course Dinner with wine pairings at Chamarel Ballroom with live entertainment and show
- ❖ Live Auction for coveted items, hosted by Radio One personality, Hassen Rojoa
- ❖ After Party, Dancing and Poker Game* as from 10:30pm
- * While processing your booking, please mention your participation to the Poker Game

Damon N. Page, Area Director of Marriott, Indian Ocean Region commented, "We are proud of the efforts raised for the past 2 years and want to continue to support our partnership with UNICEF and the causes they assist with. The three Marriott Mauritius resorts are encouraged by the generosity of our communities and hope that this year's Governor's Ball will bring even more attention to the needs of the children of Africa and Middle East."

Seats are limited to 250 guests. Reservations can be made by visiting Le Méridien Ile Maurice, Pointe aux Piments, by calling +230 204 3307 & mention the "Governor's Ball" or by emailing the StarMeeting Concierge: o1800.banquet@lemeridien.com. Reservations are now possible. Tickets will be soon on sales, our StarMeeting Concierge team will contact you to collect your ticket and process payment.

For more information on the event, visit: <u>Governor's Ball by Marriott Mauritius</u> or to see photos from last year's event, <u>click here</u>.

Marriott International celebrates over 20 year relationship with UNICEF's "Check Out for Children" campaign. The partnership has raised over \$35 million (USD) from guests and associates and helped improve the lives of over 4.5 million children.

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