



Mandarin Museum & Historical Society is thrilled to host its **2025 annual fundraising dinner on Thursday, September 25th at Blue Bamboo Canton Bistro**. With a theme of "Always the River," the evening will be a true celebration of what has been foundational to our love for the community and its history - the St. Johns River!

The evening begins at 6:00 pm with Mandarin Museum's Board of Directors welcoming guests for cocktail hour and the opening of the silent auction. The fun continues as Chef Dennis Chan presents a custom curated four-course menu. Throughout, guests will enjoy a fun-filled program of speakers and entertainment chronicling the river's central role in the history and culture of Mandarin, including a very special "Always the River" musical performance by museum house band The Orange Pickers. Mandarin Museum will also bestow its inaugural Always the River Award on the 2025 honorees for their role in ensuring the St. Johns River remains in the hearts, minds, and hands of the community.

Since our founding, Mandarin Museum & Historical Society has preserved and shared Mandarin's past, not only for our present, but also to ensure a future firmly rooted in a longstanding sense of community. As Mandarin's famed riverfront resident, Harriet Beecher Stowe, once remarked, "The past, the present, and the future are really one: they are today." Proceeds from our 3rd annual fundraising dinner will enable Mandarin Museum to continue this mission by supporting operations and an array of programs that educate, entertain, and inspire.

The event's success is bolstered by the generosity of our sponsors! We are deeply grateful for a community that continually demonstrates its shared love for Mandarin. Please return the attached sponsor form with payment or consider donating an item for the event's silent auction.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at director@mandarinmuseum.org.

Sincerely,

Your Mandarin Museum Board of Directors

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#### Presenting Sponsor - \$5,000 SOLD!

- 6 guests and the best seat in the house
- One year patron membership to Mandarin Museum
- Private after-hours director-guided tour of the Museum, Walter Jones Historical Park, and the Museum's gardens for up to 20 guests, refreshments included
- Name or logo prominently placed on event invitation and all event print and digital advertising
- Acknowledgement as a Museum supporter throughout the year in the Museum's digital marketing

#### Gold Sponsor - \$2000

- · 4 guests and priority seating at the event
- One year patron membership to Mandarin Museum
- Private guided tour of the Museum, Walter Jones Historical Park, and the Museum's gardens for up to 10 guests
- · Name or logo on event invitation and all event print and digital advertising
- Acknowledgement as a Museum supporter throughout the year in the Museum's digital marketing

#### Silver Sponsor - \$1000

- 2 guests and priority seating at the event
- One year family membership to Mandarin Museum
- 4 passes redeemable for a guided tour of the Museum and Walter Jones Historical Park
- Name listed on event invitation and all event print and digital advertising
- Acknowledgement as a Museum supporter throughout the year on social media and the Museum's website

#### **Sponsor Museum Event Volunteer Tickets - \$500**

(three available)

- the joy that comes with the spirit of giving
- the opportunity to express your gratitude for our longtime museum volunteers
- Name listed on event invitation and all event print and digital advertising

In-kind opportunities for: Cocktail Hour Audio Visual

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Mandarin Museum will contact you prior to the dinner for the names of your guests attending. Names will appear on the check-in list for the event. No physical tickets are issued.

If you will not be using any or all of the tickets included in your sponsorship package, please state the number of tickets you will not use and initial here, giving permission for Mandarin Museum to re-sell them: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### Thank you for supporting Mandarin Museum!

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