

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

March 9, 2015

Contact: Jany Brown

[jany.brown@ubs.com](mailto:jany.brown@ubs.com)



Monarchs and Margaritas, the premier gala benefiting the Dunwoody Nature Center, will be returning with all new surprises this year on Saturday, April 25. The first surprise is the event will be moving across the way to accommodate even more guests at the more spacious North Terraces Atrium in Perimeter Center. This year's event will feature dinner by Zest Atlanta, live entertainment, signature cocktails, and an unparalleled array of hard to find auction items and experiences.

Event Chair Jany Brown and her committee have been collecting these auction items for several months, "This year we will be featuring several unique items at our live auction that we've not been able to acquire in the

past," said Brown. "We have been extremely fortunate for the support we have received from throughout the metro area." Of particular note, Brown mentioned the chance to captain your own Boeing 737 in Delta's flight simulator, a week's all-inclusive stay at the world famous Grotto Bay Beach Resort in warm and sunny Bermuda, and an unbelievable "Any concert - Anywhere" package that includes airfare and hotel accommodations for any act at any concert venue in the U.S.

Is this winter weather getting you down? Then set your sights on some great travel packages like two (2) roundtrip airline tickets anywhere in the U.S. from Southwest Airlines, or spend four days and three nights at the Meritage Resort & Spa as you tour Napa Valley and participate in a cooking demonstration at the historic Culinary Institute and get a behind the scenes tour at the world famous Frog's Leap Winery. Or, for those that want to stay closer to home, packages at several beach and mountain vacation homes are up for bid. For those who want to enjoy a unique experience, the Nature Center is offering a private wine tasting for 12, season tickets to the Alliance Theatre, and a special VIP "Entourage" package to the concerts at the Nature Center with roped access to the newly completed deck.

Situated on a lush, wooded 25-acre site complete with a peaceful lake and green surroundings, North Terraces Atrium offers a soaring sunlit atrium with a reflecting pool and fountains. Once inside guests will be amazed by the striking architecture with white, geometric forms. Whether guests want to take part in the excitement of the auctions or just enjoy the delicious food, beautiful surroundings, and the "See and be seen" crowd, there is something for everyone at this year's event to support the Nature Center. To purchase tickets or become a sponsor, visit the event website at [www.monarchsandmargaritas.org](http://www.monarchsandmargaritas.org).

#### About the Dunwoody Nature Center

Located on a 22 acre parcel of Dunwoody Park, the Nature Center offers hiking trails, picnic areas, and wonderful Wildcat Creek. Last year at the Nature Center, over 13,000 visitors participated in classes, camps, and other family events. Incorporated in 1992 by community volunteers as a 501(c)(3), the Dunwoody Nature Center is currently the only organized service arm that provides environmental education throughout the city of Dunwoody and our surrounding communities. Last year's Monarchs & Margaritas event helped to raise over \$40,000 for the Nature Center - money which was reinvested back into the community through free and discounted events such as the summer concert series, Friday Night Hikes, field trip scholarships; and in making much needed improvements to the park grounds and facilities. For more information about the Nature Center, visit [www.dunwoodynature.org](http://www.dunwoodynature.org).

###