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Tickets still available for Nov. 16 dedication of the Michael A. Guido Theater at the Ford Community & Performing Arts Center

DEARBORN, Mich. – Tickets are still available for the Friday, Nov. 16 gala ceremony to honor the late Mayor Michael A. Guido. That's when the magnificent theater at Dearborn's Ford Community & Performing Arts Center will be dedicated in his name.

Fireworks and a champagne toast will kick off the evening at 7 p.m. as the new Michael A. Guido Theater sign will be unveiled outside of The Center, 15801 Michigan Avenue.

The evening will include a short tribute ceremony inside the theater and then move on to a party in the Great Hall. The Simone Vitale Band will keep the celebratory mood going till midnight.

Tickets are \$50 a person and include admission to the tribute program, lavish hors d'oeuvres, drinks, an elaborate sweet table and a coffee bar.

Tickets must be purchased in advance. They are available through the theater box office at The Center. Call 943-2354.

Business attire is appropriate for the event.

Proceeds will go to the non-profit Dearborn Community Fund, which supports the Ford Community & Performing Arts Center.

The evening also will include a fundraiser to support the Michael A. Guido Pancreatic Cancer Research Fund at the Karmanos Cancer Institute. Guests can purchase a keepsake glass for a \$10 donation to the research fund.

The tribute program inside the theater will be hosted by WOMC radio personality Dick Purtan.

Event organizers hope the gala evening will be enjoyed by the people whose lives were touched by Guido, who passed away in December, 2006 after leading the city he loved for 21 years.

“We want everyone to be able to come and remember Mayor Guido and his contributions to Dearborn,” said Karen Nigosian, the chairwoman of the event.

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