

WELCOME TO OUR  
♦ Quarterly News ♦



How are we already in April 2025! The year has already flown! In this issue we are recapping our first quarter event at the Phoenix Art Museum!! We can not wait for everything we have in store for you in 2025!!!

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# A Message From Your Phoenix Chapter President

Dear Phoenix Wedding Community,

As we wrap up the first quarter of 2025, I want to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude to each of you for your continued support, enthusiasm, and commitment to excellence within our industry.

Our year began on a high note with an unforgettable January Gala. THANK YOU to every partner, vendor, and creative professional who poured their talents into making it such a spectacular event. Your efforts set the tone for the rest of the year, and we are so grateful for your collaboration.

We also had the pleasure of hosting a powerful Q1 Educational Event at The Phoenix Art Museum, filled with insight and inspiration. To each of the partners who helped bring that event to life—THANK YOU. Your dedication to elevating our industry and investing in professional growth does not go unnoticed.

And looking ahead, the Phoenix WIPA Board of Directors is thrilled for what's to come—especially our upcoming event at the stunning Caesars Republic in Scottsdale, featuring the one and only Alan Berg. We're eagerly anticipating an morning of learning, connection, and continued growth together.

Thank you for being a part of this vibrant, supportive community. We're only just getting started, and we can't wait to share the upcoming events we have planned with you!

With appreciation,  
Leslie Lejcar  
2025 Phoenix WIPA President



# Meet Your WIPA Phoenix Board of Directors



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Communications at  
Large

# Event Recap



March 11th, 2025



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Invites you to join us for

*Canvas for Connections*  
*the power of the venue*

How This Can Improve Your Sales & Marketing  
with Fausto Pifferrer

**March 11th, 2025**  
5:30pm to 8:30pm

Designed by Tony Palacio Weddings & Events  
at the Phoenix Art Museum

Members Only – Early Bird Registration Now Open!! \$95 thru 2/24  
Members \$105 & Future Members \$155 from 2/25 thru 3/3  
Members \$135 & Future Members \$180 from 3/4 thru 3/11  
\*\*\* Stay tuned for more info, industry partners and attire inspiration!

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# QUARTER ONE EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup> 2025

## Sponsors/Vendors

**Thank you to our incredible WIPA Phoenix Vendor Partners!**

Host Venue: Phoenix Art Museum [@phxart](#)

Principal Planner + Designer: Tony Palacio Weddings & Events [@tonypalacio](#)

Catering: Artisan by Santa Barbara Catering [@artisanbysbc](#)

Rentals: Bright Event Rentals [@brighteventrentals](#)

Rentals: Epic Party Team [@epicpartyteam](#)

Bartenders: ARTenders

Videographer: Brette Morgan Films [@brettemorganfilms](#)

Photographer & Live Portraits: Ryann Lindsey Photography [@ryannlindseyphotography](#)

Linens: Reverie Social [@reverie\\_social](#)

Florals: LENA's Events [@lenasevents](#)

Production: Divinity Event Production [@divinityeventproductions](#)

DJ/MC: DJ Mixed Kid [@djmixedkid](#)

Dance Entertainment: Showstoppers [@showstoppersfun](#)

Paper/Programs: Made by Madi Design Co. [@madebymadidesignco](#)

Candles: Vogue Candles [@vogue.candles](#)

Saxophone: Sunflower King [@sunflowerkinggg](#)

Exclusive AV partner of the Phoenix Art Museum:

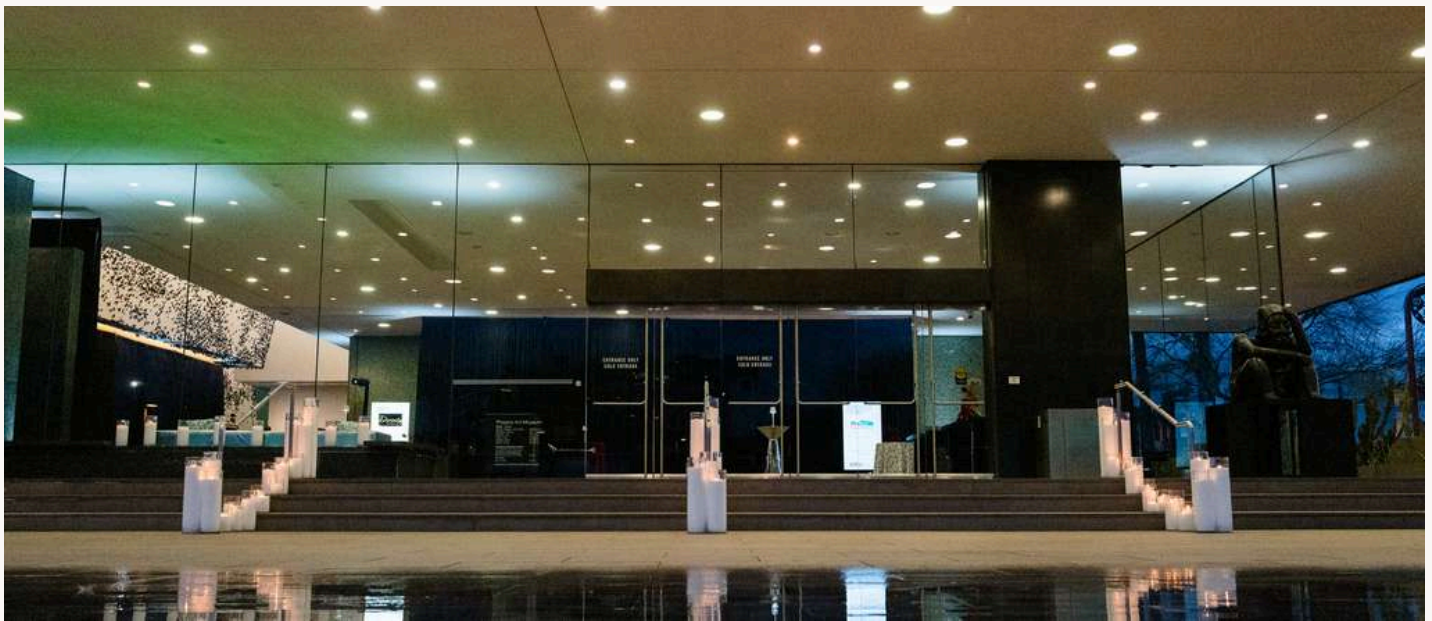
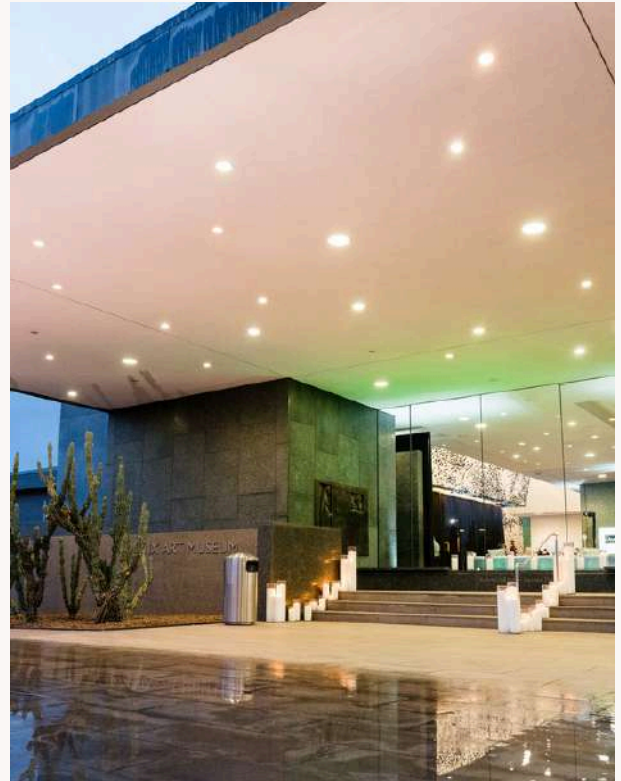
Latest Craze Productions [@latestcrazeproductions](#)

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## The VENUE

**PhxArt**  
Phoenix Art Museum



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Tony Palacio

WEDDINGS & EVENTS

PLANNING & DESIGN

TABLETOP

60" Round / Mix  
Velvet Merlot + Archie Black



MOOD BOARD



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RYANN LINDSEY  
*photography*



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“HOW THIS CAN IMPROVE YOUR SALES & MARKETING WITH FAUSTO PIFFERRER”

Full Education Film



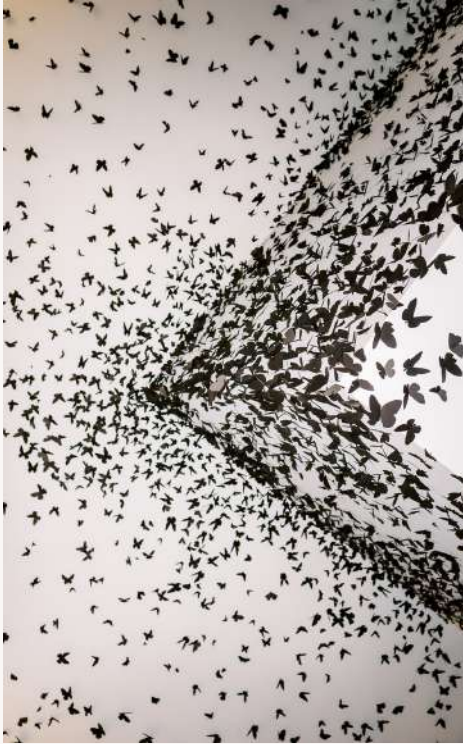
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# Videography

*BRETTE MORGAN* films

## EVENT RECAP:



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ARTISAN BY  
SANTA BARBARA  
*Catering*



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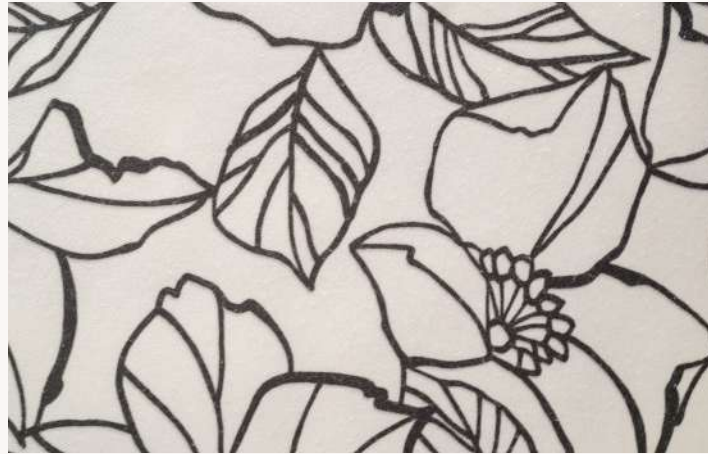
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# 2025

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**MAY**  
**30**

Education Event  
Caesars Republic

**AUG**  
**28**

Education Event  
Andaz Scottsdale

# 2025 CHARITY PARTNER HOUSE OF REFUGE



PROVIDING TRANSITIONAL HOUSING  
AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR  
FAMILIES EXPERIENCING  
HOMELESSNESS SINCE 1996

House of Refuge is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization located on 20 acres in southeast Mesa, Arizona. Supporting the community since 1996, our neighborhood includes 88 two-bedroom homes that are rented to families experiencing homelessness. By providing a home, as well as comprehensive, wrap-around supportive services, the House of Refuge program stabilizes families' lives and helps them transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency, and then into stable housing of their own.

## MISSION

House of Refuge provides transitional housing in a neighborhood setting for homeless families. Honoring the faith-based traditions of our founders, we treat people with dignity and respect through programs that bring hope and self-sufficiency.

## VISION

Every family deserves a home.

Click here to view the [HOUSE OF REFUGE DONATIONS](#) and [UPCOMING EVENTS](#) for HOUSE OF REFUGE



[HOUSEOFREFUGE.ORG](https://www.houseofrefuge.org)



[HOUSEOFREFUGEAZ](https://www.instagram.com/houseofrefugeaz)

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# MEMBER BENEFITS

We are so excited to announce a new Member Benefit for WIPA Phoenix members!



## Very Important Member Benefits (VIMB)

Currently seeking WIPA Members who want to be a part of our VIMB guide!

Does your company offer a product or service that you can extend a discount, freebie or VIP service level?

Some examples:

- \*Venue Rental Discount
- \*Complimentary Engagement Session when booking a full service package
- \*Floral Discount when booking full package
- \*Product Discount




# MEMBER BENEFITS

## Want to Shine Bright on Instagram???

**WIPA Phoenix Member Spotlight**

Did you know one of the benefits of being a WIPA member is features on our instagram!! We would love to share your business and goals with the community!! Submit the form below and we will be in touch!!!

ryann@ryannlindseyphotography.com   
[Switch account](#)  
🔒 Not shared

\* Indicates required question

What is the name of your business? \*

Your answer \_\_\_\_\_

Where is your business located? \*

Your answer \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been member of WIPA Phoenix? \*

Your answer \_\_\_\_\_

In a few sentences please describe what your business specializes in. \*

Your answer \_\_\_\_\_

We want to feature you!!!

Send us a bio with 3 facts or tips about your business and images (please provide photography credits)

You can now access the form on the link through out @wipaphoenix bio or tap the click here button!!



Don't forget to tag us in your instagram stories, posts and always feel free to invite us as a collab!!