# TEA ROOM CALENDAR

FALL/WINTER 2018



THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF HOUSTON, INC. Building A Better Community

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### TEA ROOM FRONT OFFICE AND RESERVATIONS

Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. 713.871.6673 tearoom\_reservations@jlh.org

#### THE PANTRY

Tuesday – Saturday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. 713.622.5965

#### TEA ROOM STAFF

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*Tea Room General Manager* Malcolm Rowland

### MESSAGE TO TEA ROOM PATRON MEMBERS

Dear Tea Room patron member,

our patronage of the Tea Room allows the Junior League of Houston to continue fulfilling its mission of promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Since 1925, the Tea Room has been the training ground for League volunteers to be educated



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in the discipline of service, allowing each of them to continue to fulfill this mission. In addition to enjoying lunch in the Tea Room served by Junior League volunteers, patrons may utilize the League's beautiful building for private events, large and small. The Pantry will soon begin pre-orders for Thanksgiving dinners, though patrons and the general public may always purchase frozen favorites and care packages, amongst other offerings. The Pantry is also the place to purchase one of our various publications – the award-winning *Peace Meals* cookbook (you will find several recipes from this book featured on the Summer/ Fall Tea Room Menu), the *Houston Junior League Cookbook*, and *Houston's Forgotten Heritage*, an award-winning historical look at domestic life during the first 90 years of Harris County's settlement. Thank you for your ongoing support and patronage of the Junior League!





Semmes Etheridge Burns

Tea Room Director

Your comments and suggestions are always welcome. Please contact Semmes Etheridge Burns at tearoom\_director@jlh.org.

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### INFORMAL STYLE SHOWS

Mark your calendars for the 2018 – 2019 informal style shows in the Tea Room! See the latest trends, designers, and stores the second Thursday of every month, with fun themed informal style shows one Friday per quarter. Informal modeling is presented from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Reservations may be made through the Tea Room Front Office at 713.871.6673.

- Becky Hollands Thursday, September 13
- Vintage Contessa Thursday, October 11
- French Cuff Thursday, November 8
- Last Minute Holiday Gifts Friday, November 16

### BUBBLES AND BRUNCH

#### Sunday, August 19, 2018, at 11:30 a.m.

Cap off summer with a lovely brunch and mimosas on August 19, 2018, in the Tea Room!

River Oaks District favorite **alice + olivia** will be showing off the latest styles while you sip bubbles and enjoy elevated brunch fare. Doors open at 11 a.m., and informal modeling will begin at 11:30 a.m.

Reservations may be made through the Tea Room Front Office at 713.871.6673 or tearoom\_reservations@jlh.org.

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### OPENING STYLE SHOW

#### Thursday, September 6, 2018

Join us in heating up the runway as **Elizabeth Anthony** presents the hottest fall fashions at Opening Style Show. Doors open for the daytime show at 11 a.m. and for the evening show at 6:30 p.m. The style shows will begin at 11:30 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$80 and include a three-course menu, wine, champagne and beer. Individual tickets and a limited number of tables of 10 will be available beginning at 9 a.m. on Monday, August 6, 2018, through the Tea Room Front Office via phone at 713.871.6673 or in person. Payment must be made at the time of reservation. No cancellations or refunds will be issued. This event sells out quickly, so make plans to attend!



### JLH MINOR LEAGUERS PRESENT: A PUMPKIN PARADE STYLE SHOW

#### Sunday, October 28, 2018

Reservations accepted beginning Monday, August 6, 2018. The "JLH Minor Leaguers" will be too cute to spook as they model their costumes at A Pumpkin Parade Style Show. Bring the family to this spooktacular lunch and style show on Sunday, October 28, 2018. Doors open at 11 a.m., and the style show will begin at 11:30 a.m. A set menu offering a three-course meal will be served; a cash bar will be available. Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$15 for children aged three to 12, and complimentary for children two and younger.



Book your table through the Tea Room Front Office via phone at 713.871.6673 or in person. Payment must be made at the time of reservation. No cancellations or refunds will be issued.

### MEALS WITH MALCOLM: ARGENTINA, LAND OF FIRE AND ICE

#### Thursday, November 8, 2018

#### Reservations accepted beginning Monday, September 10, 2018.

Malcolm Rowland, Tea Room General Manager, takes you on a tour of Argentina, the land of fire and ice, via a sampling of tried and true traditional cuisines and complementary wines. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., and the meal will begin at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$65 per person and include a five-course meal and wine pairing. Book your seat through the Tea Room Front Office via phone at 713.871.6673 or in person. Payment must be made at the time of reservation. No cancellations or refunds will be issued.

### WE ARE CELEBRATING THE 10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF PEACE MEALS!

To commemorate the occasion, the award-winning *Peace Meals* cookbook is now only \$20, and cases of six cookbooks can be purchased for just \$80. The *Houston Junior League Cookbook* has also been reduced to \$10. Junior League of Houston cookbooks make perfect bridal shower, hostess or housewarming gifts. Pick up your cookbooks at The Pantry between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, or order them online at www.jlh.org. Your purchase of these publications supports the League's Community Program and mission.

### 2018 THANKSGIVING DINNER

Spend Thanksgiving celebrating with friends and family and let The Pantry take care of the rest! For your holiday meal, we offer the following complete meal for \$250, or items can be ordered à la carte at the prices listed below.

#### MENU

22 lb. Roasted Turkey \$75		
Bacon, Sour Cream and Corn Casserole \$30		
Cheesy Broccoli Rice Casserole\$30		
Cornbread Dressing \$30		
Mashed Sweet Potatoes with Brown Sugar and Pecans $\$32.50$		
Cranberry Orange Relish (one pint) \$16		
Giblet Gravy (one quart) \$16		
Dinner Rolls (two dozen) \$9		
Pecan Pie \$15		
Pumpkin Pie \$12		

\* Breakfast Sausage Tart ...... \$12.50 (Breakfast Sausage Tart is à la carte only)

Orders will be accepted beginning Tuesday, September 4, 2018, until Thursday, November 15, 2018. To place your order, please visit the website at www.jlh.org or call The Pantry at 713.622.5965. Pickup is Wednesday, November 21, 2018, from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the League. Due to significant preparation lead time, please note that all Thanksgiving orders are final and non-refundable after Thursday, November 15, 2018.



### THE PANTRY

The Pantry is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. The Pantry offers wonderful bakery items, frozen casseroles, care packages, catering orders and cookbooks to the general public. Please stop by or call 713.622.5965 to check inventory or to place an order.

The Pantry will be closed: Saturday, September 1, 2018 Thursday, November 22 – Saturday, November 24, 2018 Tuesday, December 25, 2018 – Tuesday, January 1, 2019

### HOLIDAY SPECIAL WITH ROB LANDES

#### Tuesday, December 6, 2018

Reservations accepted beginning Monday, October 1, 2018. Gather your friends and family for an evening of delightful holiday music as Rob Landes entertains attendees with an intimate piano concert in the Tea Room. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., and a three-course dinner served with wine and festive musical accompaniment will begin at 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$65 per person and may be booked through the Tea Room Front Office via phone at 713.871.6673 or in person. Payment must be made at time of reservation. No cancellations or refunds will be issued.



### LUNCH WITH SANTA PRESENTED BY TEXAS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Sunday, December 2, 2018, at 11:30 a.m and Sunday, December 9, 2018, at 11:30 a.m.

Reservations accepted beginning Monday, October 1, 2018. Take time out from your busy holiday schedules and celebrate a festive holiday buffet lunch at the Junior League. Members, Tea Room patron members and their families will be treated to fun crafts and activities as well as a visit from Santa. Each family will receive a complimentary digital picture of each child taken with Santa.

Tickets are \$45 for adults, \$30 for children ages three to 12, and complimentary for children two and under. A cash bar will be available. Tables may be booked through the Tea Room Front Office via phone at 713.871.6673 or in person. Payment must be made at the time of reservation. No cancellations or refunds will be issued.



### 2019 CHARITY BALL: FIRE & ICE!

On Friday, February 8 and Saturday, February 9, 2019, the Junior League of Houston will host the 71st Annual Charity Ball – *Fire & Ice Ball.* This event celebrates the League's incredible membership ranging a spectrum of backgrounds, personalities and talents, all deeply committed to the Houston community. Charity Ball is the League's largest annual fundraiser and raises critical funds to support its Community Program and other



volunteer initiatives. Please contact **Tanya Merla Leiber, Charity Ball Chairman, at 713.871.6670 or charityball@jlh.org** or visit www.jlh.org for more information.

### IGNITE THE NIGHT BY BECOMING AN UNDERWRITER

Join other Charity Ball supporters, including active and sustainer League members, friends, corporations and foundations, and underwrite a table for Friday or Saturday night. Whether enjoying a parents' or girls' night out or encouraging your employer to underwrite a table, help warm the hearts of Houston by supporting Charity Ball. Please contact **Amanda Boffone, Charity Ball Underwriting Chairman, at 713.871.6612 or charityballunderwriting@jlh.org** for more information.

### BE A PART OF JLH HISTORY AND PURCHASE A PROGRAM ADVERTISEMENT

Support the League through the purchase of an advertisement in the Charity Ball Program, which is distributed to donors, advertisers and ball attendees. Celebrating the last year for this tradition, the final commemorative Program is sure to be a treasured keepsake. Visit www.jlh.org to download an Ad Sales Contract or contact **Sara-Nell Van Lant, Ad Sales Chairman, at 832.419.4536 or adsales@jlh.org** for more information.

### **RED HOT AUCTION** BRINGS CHILL EXPERIENCES

We are looking for sizzling packages and cool encounters that will set the Charity Ball auction on fire! If you know a local business that offers unique experiences, or if you have access to a travel destination or event tickets, please contact **Taylor McDaniel, Charity Ball Auction Chairman, at 713.829.7575 or auction@jlh.org.** 

## UNDIES FOR EVERYONE 2018 – 2019 FOCUS AREA EVENT

For more than 90 years, The Junior League of Houston, Inc. has been committed to improving the community and exploring new opportunities to expand its outreach. This year the League is excited to announce its first League-wide focus area event.

The Junior League of Houston awarded \$10,000 and 100 volunteer shifts to Undies for Everyone. With the goal of enhancing self-esteem, dignity, hygiene and success, Undies for Everyone provides each child served a bag with five pairs of brand new



underwear. League volunteers will kick off the Back to School program in January 2019 by assembling packages to serve disadvantaged elementary and middle school students.

Throughout October, the League will hold a "Children's Underwear Drive" and encourages patron members to donate a new, unopened package of children's underwear. Look for the donation barrel on the first floor of the Junior Leauge of Houston.

### COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

The Junior League of Houston is "Building A Better Community" by committing volunteers and financial support to community projects in the Greater Houston Area. The Junior League is thankful for its continued long-standing relationships and proud to celebrate anniversaries with the following agencies:

The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston: 75 years – Volunteers introduce children, families and visitors to art through hands-on activities and events, such as Bayou Bend Family Days.

Casa de Esperanza de los Niños: 35 years – Volunteers help children who have been abused, neglected or affected by HIV. Depending on needs, volunteers read to children, play games, assist with tutoring of special needs children, soothe and feed infants, and work on arts and crafts projects.

Children's Museum of Houston: 30 years – While spending the night at the museum, Overnight Adventures volunteers act as role models for young girls by participating in craft projects, exploring museum exhibits, and cultivating an interest in nutrition and health. Family Learning Night volunteers help children during the museum's free admission nights.

Sheltering Arms Senior Services: 30 years – Volunteers make daily safety telephone calls providing companionship to older adults who live alone.

### TEA ROOM PATRON MEMBER CORNER

Don't forget to renew your patron membership online or via mailed renewal forms. Contact **Courtney Taylor, Tea Room Patron Member Chairman, at 713.871.6664 or patron@jlh.org.** 

#### UTILIZE YOUR TEA ROOM PATRON MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS!

Tea Room patron members enjoy full use of the following Junior League facilities:

- Tea Room: delicious lunches, special events and private functions
- Ballroom: special events and use of facilities for larger private functions or events
- Garden Rooms: for private business or social luncheons

### DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO WOULD ENJOY USING THE LEAGUE'S FACILITIES AND ATTENDING LEAGUE-SPONSORED EVENTS?

Invite them to join as a Tea Room patron member!

Any current Tea Room patron member in good standing may refer a person or entity for Tea Room patron membership. The Application for Tea Room Patron Membership can be found at the Tea Room Front Office or downloaded from www.jlh.org. Individual patron memberships are \$50 and corporate patron memberships are \$150 for the year.

#### REFER A FRIEND PROGRAM

The Junior League is pleased to continue its referral program for Tea Room patron members this year. For each new Tea Room patron member you refer, you will be entered into a drawing for two tickets to a Spring 2019 Tea Room Special Event. Simply ask the prospective Tea Room patron member to enter your name in the "Referred by" section on their application. The winner will be notified by December 31, 2018.

#### TEA ROOM SPECIAL EVENTS POLICIES

Tea Room Special Events (excluding informal style shows during regular Tea Room lunch service) require payment in full at the time of reservation. Please direct any questions regarding Tea Room policies to **Semmes Etheridge Burns, Tea Room Director, at 713.871.6633 or tearoom\_director@jlh.org.** 

# Mission Statement

The Junior League of Houston, Inc. is an organization of women committed

to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers.

Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.



Has your contact information changed? Visit the "Patron Login" tab at www.jlh.org. For assistance with the online portal, email **Courtney Taylor,** 

Tea Room Patron Member Chairman, at patron@jlh.org. You can also update your contact information by calling 713.871.6631.







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