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Greetings,



Happy New Year! It's truly been a privilege bringing you diversity news each month and we at JWW & Associates, LLC hope you enjoy another exciting year of the *E-Spectrums News Source*.

Thanks for your readership and enjoy your newsletter.

Business Spotlight: Five Star Tax & Business Solutions



Five Star Tax & Business Solutions, LLC has been helping to start, grow, and connect businesses since 2000.

Starting out as a hobby for Founder Marquita Miller, Five Star Tax & Business Solutions turned into a firm that is an employer to several F/T, P/T and seasonal employees.

Five Star Tax & Business Solutions provides:

- Tax planning
- Tax preparation
- Business startup
- Payroll
- Accounting AND
- Business consulting

A resource provider to all of its clients, Five Star Tax & Business Solutions was inspired to coin the phrase, "More than your Accountant". Many of its clients would be sure to mention the connections and resources gained in conversation. They have assisted with growth strategies, certifications, bidding opportunities, and connections that have impacted its clients in a profitable way.

Headquartered in the center of downtown Kansas City, Missouri, Five Star Tax & Business Solutions has an aggressive expansion plan for affiliate locations in Jefferson City, Missouri; St. Louis, Missouri; Georgia and Texas within the next 5 years.

Actively involved in the community, Five Star Tax & Business Solutions has provided resourceful skills to the Greater Kansas City area that have included:

- Training aspiring business owners
- Providing instructional classes to First Step Fund of Kansas City, Missouri for several years
- Assisting First Step students to get sound information regarding accounting principals, software selection/training, and tax planning
- Joining forces with Urban League of Kansas City to facilitate accounting courses and one on one training/consulting sessions AND
- Working with Boys and Girls club to provide informational sessions to parents on tax planning

Five Star Tax also hosts an entrepreneurial radio program weekly on KGGN 890AM (www.kggnam.com) every Monday from 1:30-2:00pm CST.

Five Star Tax & Business Solutions has received many accolades and achievements throughout the years, including successfully completing the 2009 Herman A. Johnson Business Mentorship program of the Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce and being selected as one of the 2010 KC Business Rising Stars. Its founder, Miller, was recently awarded the 2009 annual Golden Doorknob Award from the First Step Fund. Also, an instructor at Joseph Business School, the class of 2008 & 2009 awarded Miller an appreciation award for her support to the faith-based entrepreneurial program.

Visit www.fivestartaxkc.com to learn more about Five Star Tax & Business Solutions and its provided services.

Community Organization Spotlight: American Jazz Museum



Host your next meeting or small event at the world famous BLUE ROOM Jazz Nightclub!

The sights, sounds and experience of a uniquely American art form come alive at the American Jazz Museum in the Historic 18th & Vine Jazz District in Kansas City, Missouri.

Since its inception in 1997, the Museum has hosted hundreds of thousands of students, scholars, musicians and fans for live performances, educational programs, special exhibitions, community programs and countless other events in its various venues, including the historic Gem Theatre, Changing Gallery and The Blue Room nightclub.

The American Jazz Museum recently rolled out the Blue Room Tour Partners, a community outreach program for businesses, networking groups, non-profits and civic, social or community organizations. The Museum recently added the John H. Baker Jazz Film Collection to its permanent exhibit and Tour Partners is an opportunity to spread the good news and provide a unique venue for meetings or events to our community partners!

The Blue Room is the American Jazz Museum's nightclub performance venue and typically is rented for \$800 per event, but the Museum will waive the BLUE ROOM rental fee for groups who book tours of the Museum. Simple as that!

For each prepaid 25 person (adult) tour group booked, an organization can reserve The Blue Room for two (2) hours (maximum usage is 4 hours). The Museum tours can be conducted in conjunction with a meeting/event or scheduled anytime in the 12 months following.

The Museum is offering a complimentary tour after a Tour Partners information session each second Wednesday through the month of June at 5:30pm in the Blue Room Jazz Nightclub at 1600 E. 18th Street, KCMO. This opportunity is available for a limited time - so don't miss out

The Blue Room particulars:

- **ROOM CAPACITY:**
150 (table, counter and bar seating)
- **ROOM AVAILABILITY:**

Tuesday (except 3rd Tue), Wednesday: 8am-10pm
Thursday, Friday, Saturday: 8am-3pm
Sunday: 12-6pm

For more information, contact Dhana Powell-Pope by email at dhana@kcjazz.org, by phone at 816-474-VINE (8463) Extension 203, or visit www.americanjazzmuseum.org.

27th Annual EEI Supplier Diversity Conference



The 27th Annual EEI Supplier Diversity Conference will be held May 18-20, 2010 at The Westin Crown Center in Kansas City, MO.

Since 1982, the Edison Electric Institute (EEI) Supplier Diversity Program has increased opportunities for diverse businesses in the electric utility industry.

The program's goal is to build long-term relationships with diverse suppliers that provide products and services, in a highly competitive environment, to help utilities succeed. Whether you're a supplier looking for a great customer, or a utility looking for a great supplier, the 2010 Supplier Diversity Conference is for you.

This year's event includes case studies, exciting speakers and hundreds of opportunities to make new business contacts in a dynamic industry.

This will be the most stimulating and rewarding meeting this year.

Learn more about the 27th Annual Supplier Diversity Conference and the EEI Supplier Diversity Initiative at www.eei.org/diversity.



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We sincerely thank you for your support and allowing us to deliver valuable information through our email newsletter. Hope to see you back next month.

Sincerely,

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