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Winner of the Small Chamber of the Year Award by the United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

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The Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Board of

Directors and Staff would like to take this opportunity to thank you and wish you much success in the coming year. We have been planning events and other opportunities, all with the unified purpose of helping Hispanic & non-Hispanic businesses and organizations in our community.

Thank you for being part of our success and we look forward to a very productive 2013.

Wishing you all a prosperous New Year!

Submit Your Nomination for the 201 3 Annual Gala Awards

As a volunteer leadership-driven organization, the Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber of Commerce recognizes the impact of community involvement. GQCHCC is currently accepting nominations for 2013 Annual Gala Awards. Categories include:

Small Business of the Year Corporation of the Year Ambassador of the Year Community Leadership Award (New) Student Leadership Award

<u>Click here</u> for nomination criteria and to submit your nomination. Nominations due by **Friday**, **December 28th**, **2012**.



Calling all members & supporters!

Don't forget to send in your promotional items or donate a silent auction item for our Annual Gala.

Download form here & send your items to GQCHCC, 511-17th Street, Moline, IL 61265, by January 11th, 2013. For general questions feel free to contact zenaida@gqchcc.com at (309) 797-8650.

Register for the 2013 Annual Gal a!

Upcoming Member Events

December 31 - Ring In The New Year at The Quad-Cities Best Party: Featuring Dr. Zhivegas. Enjoy great giveaways & the QC's biggest balloon drop and a \$100 coupon book.

Ongoing until December 31, 2012: Art @ the Airport: Quad City Woodturners and the Art of Rug Hooking at Quad City International Airport Gallery.

January 9, 2013 - 18th Annual Hispanic Film Festival begins at 7:00pm. The first showing is Biutiful directed by Alejandro Gonzalez Inrritu. (view schedule)

January 16, 2013 - The <u>University of Illinois Extension</u> will be hosting a series of webinars. First topic features Private Foundations & Community Development: Differing Approaches to Community with Maria Martinez-Cosio.

January 25 - <u>Race Matters? Racism Matters!</u> Artist Lecture begins at 4:00 pm & Reception from 5:00 -7:00 pm.

Register for Accounting Made Easy Using Quickbooks. Workshop begins February 2. To register call Mary Johnson (309) 764-2194.

Eastern lowa Community Colleges is offering online <u>Winterim classes</u> for everyone to help keep you busy over the long break.

Public Service Announcements

The Black Male Achievement (BMA) Fellowship is a new fellowship program established by Open Society Foundations and Echoing Green dedicated The Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber of Commerce board of directors and staff invite you to join us at the Annual Gala to held at the Quad Cities Waterfront Convention Center. The evening is a celebration of our organization's accomplishments, members, and supporters. We will feature entertainment, a great meal, business awards, silent auction, and the warmth of your colleagues, clients, business leaders, community partners and GQCHCC members.



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Keynote & Special Guest: *Nina Vaca*, Chairman & CEO of Pinnacle, Director at both Kohl's Corporation and Comerica, Inc.; founding member of the Startup America Partnership; Chairman of the Board of the United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

Saturday, January 26th, 2013, 5:30 pm QC Waterfront Convention Center Bettendorf, IA.

Register

Presenting Sponsor:



Sponsorship opportunities Available (<u>click here</u>) or call (309) 797-8650 for more information.

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to improve the life outcomes of black men and boys in the U.S. It is the first fellowship program of its kind that targets social entrepreneurs who are starting up new and innovative organizations in the field of black male achievement. The application for the 2013 BMA Fellowship will be available online from December 4th 2012 - January 7th 2013. (Learn more)

The application period for the White House Internship Program is now open. The application deadline for the Summer 2013 program is January 27, 2013. For more information check out our Leadership Resources Page.

Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute Fellowship: CHCI Fellowships seeks to enhance participants' leadership abilities, strengthen professional skills and ultimately produce more competent and competitive Latino professionals in public policy areas. This fellowship offers the opportunity to gain hands-on experience at the national level in the public policy area of their choice. The deadline to apply is February 15, 2013.

Check out this great resource for Latino students! <u>Download</u> the National Directory of Scholarships, Internships & Fellowships for Latino Students.

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