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AEA Miami Fundraiser “A Gala Around the World” Brought Acclaimed Peruvian Trio “Ancora” and Received Proclamation from the City of Miami

MIAMI (September 23, 2019) – The Miami Chapter of Asociación Emergencia Ayacucho (AEA), a non-profit organization benefitting orphan and abandoned children in Ayacucho, Peru, hosted it's 2019 fundraiser “A Gala Around the World” at the Coral Gables County Club on September 21, 2019 to a resounding success.

The evening started at 7PM with a beautiful entryway of iconic destinations around the world that served as a photo background for welcomed guests. Upon entering the venue's historic coral rock courtyard, guests enjoyed a musical performance by Bolivar Phil musicians who played classic songs from all over the world. In-kind donors Divino Ceviche and Pisco Buena Cosecha served guests delicious appetizers and pisco cocktails while guests signed up for the gala's silent auction items.

Upon entering the grand ballroom, guests were transported to a multimedia show of lights, music and videos that captured and enthralled guests with visuals and sounds from iconic cities from all over the world. Apple Events and LC Productions generously donated their decoration and lighting services in-kind to give the gala a modern and elegant touch of décor.

Emcees Eileen Cardet and Jorge Hernandez, well-known from their roles as morning news anchors from Univision 23's *Al Amanecer*, once again guided guests through an evening full of surprises, entertainment, and reflection for the children of Ayacucho who were in the hearts and minds of every guest that night. AEA Co-Presidents Marisol Gomez and Blanca R. Quevedo-Denis recognized the Archbishop of Ayacucho who traveled to Miami to bless the event and congratulate AEA Miami for their annual fundraiser. Honorary Gala Chairman Javier Rodriguez, a long supporter of AEA Miami revealed to the AEA board of directors a special proclamation he attained through the City of Miami in recognition of AEA Miami's mission for the children in Ayacucho and for their efforts to provide scholarship funds for South Florida youth.

Acclaimed Peruvian tenors “Ancora” delivered a moving performance of classic Latin American, Italian and American songs that delighted all guests. An evening favorite was the band Latina Cache which played the top hits to a ballroom of guests who danced the night away.

A Gala Around the World was sponsored by platinum sponsors Forbis Logistics and Javier and Cary Rodriguez, and by its silver sponsors: Belmont Natural Products, Castleview Partners, George P. Denis, ExcelAg, The Faillace Family, Freight Logistics, IBS Corporation, Inca Investments, Ornare USA, Peruvian American Chamber of Commerce and Scheckner & Hetenyi.



AEA Miami wishes to equally acknowledge its long list of in-kind donors, underwriters, silent auction donors and individual donations that helped the organization surpass its fundraising goals.

AEA Miami's 2019 executive board is comprised of Marisol Gomez, Co-President (and past-President), Blanca R. Quevedo-Denis, Co-President, Maria Sanchez de Varona, Vice President, Yolanda Valls, Treasurer, Gabriela Miani, Co-Secretary, Adriana Muinos, Co-Secretary.

AEA Miami's board of directors is comprised of its following directors: Carmen Rosa Amorós (Past President), Violeta Cepeda (Past President), Patricia Scerpella (Past President), Geraldine Araneta (Past Co-Secretary), Sarah Couto (Past Co-Secretary), Carla Ligia Erraez, Carolina Friedhoff and Monica Retchin.

Our History

AEA was established in 1985 when his Holiness Pope John Paul II declared a state of emergency in Ayacucho when he saw the devastating effects of terrorism in the area, leaving behind many orphan children. His financial support enabled the Archbishop of Ayacucho to build refuge homes for orphaned children. AEA's mission is to provide assistance with housing and education for children in three orphanages and young adults in two youth homes operated by the Archdiocese of Ayacucho. AEA also supports numerous programs for children who are victims of violence and terrorism.

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