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**SIMMONS MUSEUM OF
NEGRO LEAGUES BASEBALL, INC.**

SPONSORSHIP PROSPECTUS

The Simmons Museum of Negro Leagues Baseball, Inc. (SMNLB) was founded to preserve and promote the rich history of the Negro Leagues, celebrating the players, families, and supporters whose contributions changed the game—and our communities—forever. To further this legacy, the Museum is proud to introduce the Hubert V. & Audrey L.M. Simmons Pillar of Service Award, honoring individuals whose dedication, leadership, and service embody the very principles that guided our founders. This biennial recognition ensures that the spirit of excellence, perseverance, and community uplift that defined the Negro Leagues continues to inspire future generations.

Prepared

September 10, 2025



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BASEBALL, INC.
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PILLAR OF SERVICE AWARD

Join us as we award
Audrey L. Simmons
posthumously for her
tireless dedication
to preserving
Negro Leagues
history and
uplifting the
local community.

AUDREY L. SIMMONS

SUNDAY OCTOBER 19, 2025 1:30PM-4:30PM

**MARRIOTT OWINGS MILLS METRO CENTRE
LEVEL M
10101 GRAND CENTRAL AVENUE
OWINGS MILLS, MD 21117**



SIMMONS MUSEUM OF NEGRO LEAGUES BASEBALL, INC. (SMNLBINC.ORG)

VISION

The vision of the Simmons Museum of Negro Leagues Baseball, Inc. is to educate and enhance understanding of the richness of African American history through the examples set by Negro Leagues baseball players, instilling self-discipline, high moral standards, and a love of the game for generations to come.

MISSION

The mission of the Simmons Museum of Negro Leagues Baseball, Inc. is to create, highlight, and maintain space that preserves and perpetuates the legacies of African American baseball players as they pursued their rightful place in the realm of sports despite social barriers.

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uphold history,
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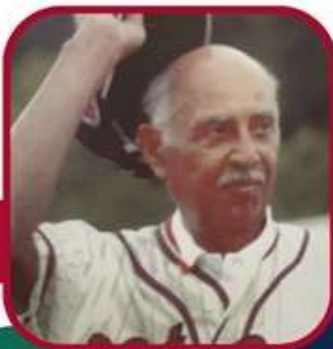
ABOUT US

A Legacy of Vision and Service

The Simmons Museum of Negro Leagues Baseball, Inc. (SMNLB) was founded on June 28, 2008, when former Negro Leagues player Hubert V. “Bert” Simmons, his wife Audrey L. Simmons, and their friend Rayner “Ray” Banks gathered to begin building what would become a living tribute to the Negro Leagues and their players.

In November 2013, Baltimore County Executive Kevin Kamenetz announced that the Museum would have a permanent home at the Owings Mills Metro Centre Complex, alongside the Baltimore County Public Library and the Community College of Baltimore County. A grand opening followed in Spring 2014, cementing the Museum as a vital cultural and educational institution.

The Simmons Museum of Negro Leagues Baseball, Inc. continues to collect, preserve, and display artifacts, photographs, oral histories, and memorabilia, ensuring that the legacy of the Negro Leagues lives on for future generations. Its programs emphasize youth engagement, character development, and the principles of good sportsmanship—values embodied by both Hubert and Audrey Simmons.



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HUBERT V. SIMMONS & AUDREY L. SIMMONS PILLAR OF SERVICE AWARD

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The Simmons Museum of Negro Leagues Baseball, Inc. (SMNLB) proudly presents the Inaugural Audrey L. Simmons Pillar of Service Award, a biennial celebration honoring leaders who embody community service, resilience, and cultural preservation.

This year, the award will be presented posthumously to Mrs. Audrey Lorraine Simmons (1931-2025), co-founder of the Museum, who alongside her husband, Hubert V. “Bert” Simmons, and friend Rayner “Ray” Banks, established the foundation for what has become a lasting tribute to the legacy of the Negro Leagues.

In 2008, the Simmons family, Ray Banks and supporters began the journey of creating a home for the history of African American baseball players—athletes who overcame barriers to leave an indelible mark on America’s national pastime. That vision became reality in 2013, when the Baltimore County Executive announced the permanent home of the Museum at the Owings Mills Metro Centre Complex, shared with the Baltimore County Public Library and the Community College of Baltimore County.

Today, the Museum preserves and shares memorabilia, oral histories, photographs, and artifacts while engaging the next generation with lessons of sportsmanship, discipline, and character. Audrey Simmons’ unwavering commitment to service and cultural preservation lives on in this new award, which will inspire future honorees and generations to come.

The inaugural celebration will bring together community leaders, distinguished speakers, live jazz entertainment, and supporters from across Maryland and beyond. We invite you to partner with us in this historic event through sponsorship opportunities that directly sustain the Museum’s mission and ensure the success of this tribute.

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Pillar of Service Sponsorship Packages

"Celebrating steadfast pillars who uphold history, service, and community spirit."

Platinum Sponsorship Package

- Title sponsorship of the entire program
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- Full-page ad in commemorative program booklet (back cover or inside front cover)
- Ten (10) complimentary tickets with VIP seating

\$20,000

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- Eight (8) complimentary tickets with VIP seating

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Silver Sponsorship Package

- Sponsorship of entertainment and speakers
- Recognition from the stage during program
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- Six (6) complimentary tickets

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Bronze Sponsorship Package

- Sponsorship of event decorations
- Half-page ad in commemorative program booklet
- Four (4) complimentary tickets

\$2,500

Friend Sponsorship Package

- Sponsorship of gifts to attendees
- Quarter-page ad in commemorative program booklet
- Two (2) complimentary tickets

\$1,000

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- Sponsorship of award presentation
- Quarter-page ad in commemorative program booklet

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Community members, historians, and supporters are invited to join this meaningful celebration, honoring the remarkable life and legacy of Audrey L. Simmons while recognizing the importance of preserving African American sports history.

For tickets, sponsorship opportunities, or additional information, please see the following or contact the Simmons Museum of Negro Leagues Baseball, Inc..

THANK YOU

We really hope for your concern and support for the continuity of this event, if you are interested, please contact us at the contact listed in this Prospectus. We are confident that this event will be musically amazing.

CONTACT US

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September 15, 2025

Dear SMNLB Family,

It is with great honor that I invite you to the "Pillar of Service" Award Lunch, celebrating the legacies of Hubert V. Simmons and Audrey L. Simmons. This event will take place on Sunday, October 19, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. at the Marriott Owings Mills Metro Centre, 10101 Grand Central Avenue, Owings Mills, MD 21117.

This year's award will be presented posthumously to Audrey L. Simmons in recognition of her tireless dedication to preserving the history of the Negro Leagues and her unwavering commitment to uplifting our local community. Audrey's vision and passion have played a central role in ensuring that the legacy of the Negro Leagues is not forgotten, but rather cherished and passed down to future generations. Her efforts have touched countless lives—whether through education, community outreach, or her steadfast support of the museum's mission.

The "Pillar of Service" Award is designed for honoring those whose leadership, sacrifice, and service strengthen both the museum and our wider community. By spotlighting Audrey L. Simmons this year, we set a powerful precedent for the values this award will stand for—perseverance, service, and a deep commitment to history and community.

We warmly invite you to join us for this historic evening. Tickets are \$80 per person, and your RSVP will not only secure your seat but also help establish this award as a lasting tradition. If you cannot attend but would still like to support, we welcome donations to help sponsor future award recipients.

To contribute:

- By credit card: Visit our website at www.smnlbinc.org/Donate and use the Donate button for a secure PayPal process. Please add a note in the "Add Special Instruction to Seller" field: "Pillar of Service Award Donation."
- Steven Dorsey, Treasurers@SMNLBinc.org
- By check: Payable to SMNLB Inc. and mailed to the museum in the self-Addressed envelope.

Your generosity will ensure that this award continues to inspire and honor individuals who embody the true spirit of service. Together, we can make this evening not just a celebration of Audrey's incredible work, but also a commitment to carrying forward the history and values of the Negro Leagues for generations to come.

Looking to celebrate the weekend? The Marriott Owings Mills will have a special hotel rate of \$159 plus taxes until 10/6/2025. Call the Reservation Line at Phone #: 800.228.9290 Group Code: MNL. OR, Please use the following direct link: <https://tinyurl.com/SMNLBincHotelLink>

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to celebrating this historic occasion with you as we honor the extraordinary legacy of Audrey L. Simmons.

Warm regards,
Rayner "Ray" Banks
Co-Founder - Board Membership
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**AUDREY L. SIMMONS'
PILLAR OF SERVICE
AWARD CEREMONY
SUNDAY
OCTOBER 19, 2025
1:30-4:30PM**

**Simmons Museum of Negro
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10302 Grand Central Avenue
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TICKETS



**Marriott Owings Mills Metro Centre
Level M
10101 Grand Central Avenue
Owings Mills, MD 21117**



HOTEL



MENU

- Warm Rolls with Butter
- Garden Salad with Tomatoes, Cucumber, and Red Onion over Spring Mix with 3 salad dressings
- Blackened Salmon with Lemon Garlic Butter Sauce
- Roasted Chicken Pieces
- Three Cheese Mac & Cheese
- Mashed Potatoes with Gravy
- Steamed Broccoli
- Roasted Carrots
- Assorted Cookies & Brownies
- Iced Tea, plus
- Hot Coffee and Tea



**Doors Open: 1:15pm
Buffet: 1:30-3:30pm
Program: 2:00-4:30pm**

\$159 + TAX, GOOD UNTIL: 10/6/2025



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DEADLINE: OCTOBER 10, 2025

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SUNDAY 10/19/2025
BUFFET AT 1:30PM - 3:30PM | PROGRAM 2:00PM

- ☐ Lunch & Program (Individual Seat)
☐ Premium Lunch Seating (Individual Prem. Seat)
☐ (10) Premium Lunch Table (Reserved Table)
☐ (10) VIP Lunch Table (VIP Seating Table)
☐ **Donation**

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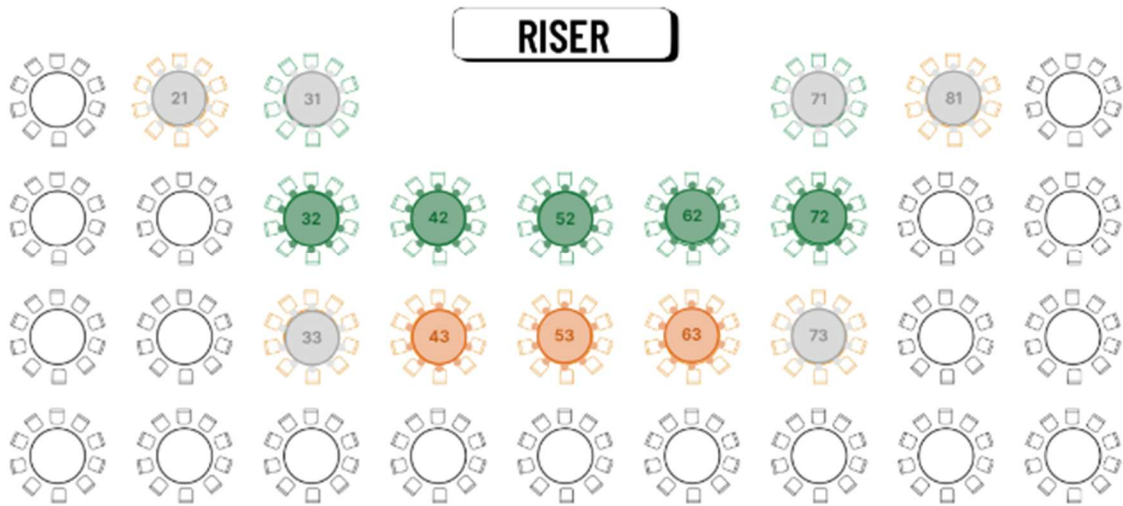
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