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2018 SILVER & TURQUOISE BALL

One of Tucson's most historic events, the Silver & Turquoise Ball is an elegant, black-tie affair featuring cocktails, a gourmet dinner, dancing under the stars and cabaret at the storied Arizona Inn.

The first Silver & Turquoise Ball was held in 1950 by a group of prominent Tucson women, including Aurora Patania (jewelry designer and wife of Frank Patania, known for his silver and turquoise jewelry), Audrey Baird, Peggy Steinfeld (wife of Harold Steinfeld of Steinfeld's Department Store and the Pioneer Hotel founding family) and Isabella Greenway (the first U.S. congresswoman and founder of the Arizona Inn). They gathered for an impromptu potluck "thank you" party for

the hard work completed by the Tucson Festival Society's volunteers. What began as a small dinner soon moved to the Arizona Inn and became an annual event.

Traditionally the last event of Tucson's social season, the Ball raised funds for the Tucson Festival Society, as well as for Pioneer Days, La Parada de los Niños and the Children's Writing Festival. In 1993, the Board of Hostesses formed a nonprofit organization to distinguish themselves from the Tucson Festival Society and gave the proceeds from that year's ball to the restoration efforts at Mission San Xavier del Bac. Since then, more than \$500,000 has been raised for the preservation and restoration of the Mission. TucsonLifestyle.com is a media partner. **TL**



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April 28, 6 p.m.

Arizona Inn

Tickets: \$600 per couple

For ticket information, call Wendy Kurtin at 907-4606 or visit www.silverandturquoiseball.org



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