## 65th Annual Silver & Turquoise Ball

## WHAT BEGAN AS A SMALL GATHER-ING OF PROMINENT TUCSON WOMEN in

1950 has since become one of the city's most historic and elegant events — the Silver & Turquoise Ball. Hosted by the Silver & Turquoise Board of Hostesses, the annual black-tie gala is still the only fundraiser held on the grounds of the Arizona Inn. Described as "the most beautiful and magical party in Tucson" by attendees, the Silver & Turquoise Ball has raised \$553,000 for the Mission San Xavier del Bac, helping to preserve and restore one of our region's most stunning treasures.

Guests will enjoy cocktails on the lawn, a beautiful buffet dinner and dessert, as well as dancing to live music under the stars.

"This is our 65th year of hosting the Silver & Turquoise Ball, and it promises to be especially beautiful with our décor centered around our Mexican, Spanish and Native American cultural influences," says Barbara Peck, this year's chair. This glamorous night has historical connections. Some of the board's most distinguished members over the years include Isabella Greenway, the first U.S. Congresswoman in Arizona history and founder of the Arizona Inn; Peggy Steinfeld, the family behind Steinfeld's Department Store; and Aurora Patania, wife of the famed jewelry designer Frank Patania, Sr., whose intricate silver and turquoise creations once adorned the women who attended the ball.

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Sat., May 2, 6 p.m.-midnight

**Arizona Inn** 

Tickets: \$300

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