

## HISTORIC SAVANNAH FOUNDATION'S 13<sup>TH</sup> COLONY HOSTS NETWORKING, HISTORIC BUILDING TOUR EVENT JAN. 23

**SAVANNAH, GA – January 15, 2018** – Historic Savannah Foundation's 13<sup>th</sup> Colony is pleased to invite young professionals to its upcoming "Preservation in Progress" event, which will include a tour of LaScala Ristorante. The membership event begins at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 23, at LaScala, 119 E. 37<sup>th</sup> St. in the Thomas Square Streetcar Historic District.

Attendees will have the opportunity to mingle and tour the eagerly anticipated gourmet eatery, located in a c.1900 building currently under restoration. The evening is sponsored by Cabretta Capital Corporation. Attendees will enjoy wine, beer, and light hors d'oeuvres.

LaScala Ristorante will feature the finest Italian cuisine and hand-selected wines amid an historic setting featuring original murals and ornate stained glass.

A special opportunity to join one of two 13<sup>th</sup> Colony memberships at a discounted rate will be offered at this event for first time members. Individual 13<sup>th</sup> Colony memberships, regularly \$85, will be available for \$42.50 and household memberships, regularly \$125, will be available for \$62.50.

"We're excited to have this opportunity to tour LaScala's impressive property for a behind-the-scenes look at preservation in action before the restaurant is open to the public," said Historic Savannah Foundation Membership and Volunteer Coordinator Chassidy Malloy. "This event offers attendees a chance to network with other young professionals while enjoying the historic building's beauty and unique character. We are grateful to our sponsor Cabretta Capital and Brent Watts for their dedication to historic preservation and generosity, which will aid in making the evening really enjoyable."

Cabretta Capital Corporation is a finance firm based in Savannah with expertise in structured tax credit equity. Various government programs produce tax credits that can be monetized through public and private partnership and Cabretta monetizes these credits to create equity for qualifying ventures. Cabretta was formed in January of 2015 and has syndicated over \$100 Million Tax Credits since its inception.

Historic Savannah Foundation is cultivating the next generation of preservation-minded community leaders though its 13<sup>th</sup> Colony supporters. The mission of the 13<sup>th</sup> Colony is to promote greater understanding and awareness of historic preservation and the goals of Historic Savannah Foundation to a younger audience, while also engaging their participation in Historic Savannah Foundation programs and building future Historic Savannah Foundation leadership. With a strategic plan focused on protecting Savannah's heritage, they are rising to the challenge of increasing involvement of Savannah's young professionals within Historic Savannah Foundation and their community.

13<sup>th</sup> Colony membership benefits include:

- Invitations to excusive 13<sup>th</sup> Colony events, tours and programs
- Invitations to lectures, the Annual Gala and other special events
- Access to the quarterly newsletter and recognition as a new member
- One free admission to the Davenport House Museum
- 10 percent discount on Historic Savannah Foundation merchandise and at the Davenport House Museum shop

For more information about the 13<sup>th</sup> Colony, please visit <u>www.myHSF.org/giving/13th-colony-society/</u>.

For more information about this event, please contact Chassidy Malloy by emailing <u>cmalloy@myHSF.org</u> or calling 912-233-7787. To learn more about Historic Savannah Foundation, please visit <u>www.myHSF.org</u>.

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