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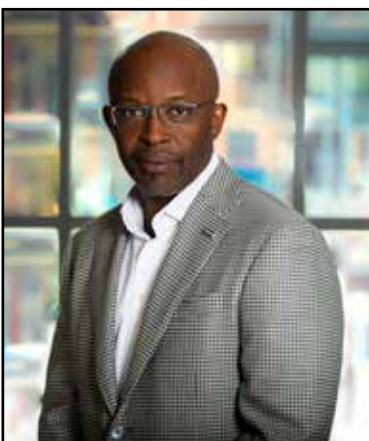
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Bridgerton gala to honor outstanding Black businesses, Nov. 2 Cincinnati & Northern Kentucky African American Chamber to host annual gala and induct new businesses into Black Business Hall of Fame

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The Greater Cincinnati & Northern Kentucky African American Chamber of Commerce (AACC) announces the launch of its gala website and the inductees for the Black Business Hall of Fame.

This year's 6 to 10 p.m. black-tie gala will be held on Saturday, Nov. 2, at Cincinnati Music Hall, at 1241 Elm Street, Cincinnati, 45202. The theme is a Royal Bridgerton-inspired gala. Tickets are \$150 for members and \$160 for non-members. The annual gala is

the AACC's signature fundraising event, bringing together business leaders, community members and supporters to celebrate and support the economic growth and empowerment of African American businesses in the Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky region. The fundraising goal for this

year is \$50,000. In the spirit of Bridgerton, this elegant evening promises an opulent affair where "every guest is a noble and every moment a memory." Guests can expect live entertainment, a gourmet dinner, networking opportunities and the chance to honor outstanding contributions to our

community. "Our annual gala is an essential event that underscores our mission to foster business growth and development within our community," said Briston Mitchell, AACC director of transformative initiatives and relationships. "We look forward to celebrating with our members and

partners and continuing our work driving economic progress." Every year, the AACC honors outstanding business leaders with an induction into the Black Business Hall of Fame. This year's inductees are:
• Patrice Borders, founder and CEO, Amplify EI.
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Carole Crawford selected as one of Forbes' 50 over 50

Contributed

Cincinnati native Carole Crawford, who is Managing Director, Americas and Global Events at CFA Institute (the largest global association of investment professionals), was selected as one of Forbes (magazine) 50 over 50 in August 1. CFA Institute (Chartered Financial Analysts), a not-for-profit professional organization that provides investment professionals with finance education, promotes standards in ethics, education, and professional excellence in the global investment services industry. Crawford, the daughter of Dr. Alvin and Jean Crawford of Cincinnati, graduated from



Carole Crawford
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Cincinnati Country Day School and was on the tennis team, track team and was head cheer leader. She is also a graduate of Howard University, University of Michigan, and Harvard Universities. She was a member of Jack & Jill Inc. She is a
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Six Civil Rights leaders from Cincinnati to be inducted in Ohio Civil Rights Hall of Fame

Contributed by Ohio Civil Rights Commission

The Ohio Civil Rights Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will be held October 31 beginning 10 a.m. The event will be held in the Atrium of the Ohio Statehouse, 1 Capitol Square, Columbus, Ohio 43215. The Civil Rights Hall of Fame seeks to honor outstanding Ohioans who are recognized as pioneers in human and Civil Rights and who have advanced the goals of equality and inclusion. Inductees of the Ohio Civil Rights Hall of Fame are individuals who have made significant contributions in support of Civil Rights, cultural awareness and understanding in furtherance of a more



Susan Upton Farley
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Cleaster Whitehurst-Mims



Robert C. "Chip" Harrod



Dwight Tillery just society. The honor bestowed on this select group of Civil Rights heroes will be officially



Peter and Sarah Fossett recorded in Ohio's history. This year's inductees are:



• Jordan A. Miller, Jr., Columbus
• Susan Upton Farley
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