

Empress Awards
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Empress Awards 2020 to be held on May 2, 2020

As the nation collectively deals with the pandemic known as Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19), the Empress Awards production wants you to be assured that we take the health of our guests very seriously. While details continue to unfold about the virus and its spread, we realize that the situation today may be different next month or even tomorrow. We are making decisions based on the information we have and are following the recommendations from public health agencies locally in Chicago, as well as nationally, including the Centers for Disease Control Prevention (CDC) and the World Health Organization. We will also work closely with our venue, The Martinique, to ensure guests are in a safe environment.

To this end, the following details guide our decision to reschedule the Empress Awards as planned for **May 2, 2020**. We hope that all of our guests will still be in attendance at our rescheduled date. Ticket sales will still be active up until our new date, as stated above.

We will continue to closely monitor the situation. If this information changes, we will send another update. If you have any questions about this press release, please contact Rev. Yolanda Gardiner at 773.934.3399.

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