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A Message from Your Chapter President

As we enter our 4th year as a chapter, I am beyond excited for the opportunities that this year holds. It is the greatest honor and privilege to serve as your chapter President for 2026, and I'm looking forward to our future with careful intention and great possibility. I am extraordinarily proud of the community and foundation we have built together over the last 3 years and know we are capable of even more.

Your local board of directors and I hosted our annual planning retreat in February. We locked ourselves in a conference room for 8 hours with our laptops, post-it notes, an unhealthy amount of caffeine, and enough candy to rocket our minds to the moon. We reflected on the last three years and how far we've come, but also where we still want to go and the work that it will take to get there. A large focus was on how we support our wedding community as leaders. You, our Members, are the reason we are here!

Leadership isn't about being at the top. It's not about titles or ego. Leadership is what we do at the bottom — supporting our Members from underneath. It's not about being served. It's about showing up to serve — especially when it's messy, uncomfortable, or thankless. Our board positions are voluntary and unpaid. They take hundreds of collective hours annually, but serving in them wholeheartedly is deeply fulfilling. That is truly invaluable.

My goal for our chapter this year is to lead you forward — not from obligation, but from possibility. My mission is to allow you to feel genuinely seen, cared for and supported from the bottom up. There is always room at our table for you and our board is willing to stand (often quite literally) to offer you a seat. Please join us this year and make meaningful connections through new conversations, grow with us through industry-leading education and help one another thrive as a united community. You belong here!

Cheers!

Laura Wolf



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meet your 2026
BOARD OF DIRECTORS



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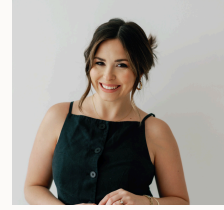
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The Grande Hall

An evening dedicated to the warmth
only the Holiday Season can bring.
Paired with a space and discussion so
bold, the inspiration was contagious.

VELVET SOIRÉE



[CASSIE NICHOLE PHOTOGRAPHY GALLERY LINKED HERE](#)

EVENT SPONSORS

Venue: The Grande Hall @thegrandehall
Photography: Cassie Nichole Photography @cassienicholephoto
Planning + Design: Avi Luxe Events @aviluxeevents
Cinema: J Michael Wedding Films @jmicahelweddingfilms
Headshots: A.G. Dayton @agdayton
Content Creation: Grace Barr Cincy @gbcincy
Floral Design: Lemonwood Floral @lemonwoodfloral x Floral V Designs @floralvdesigns
Rentals: Primetime Event Rental @primetimepartyandeventrental
Lounges + Bar: Lost and Found Event Rental @lostandfoundrentals
Linens: I Do Linens @idolinen
Lighting: Legacy Event Group @legacyeventgroup
Stationery: The Fox Suite @thefoxsuite
Entertainment: IFE Luxe Collective @ifeluxecol
Magician: Brett Sears @sears.brett
Catering: Kohler Catering @kohlercateringoh
Lodging: Hilton Hotels @hilton



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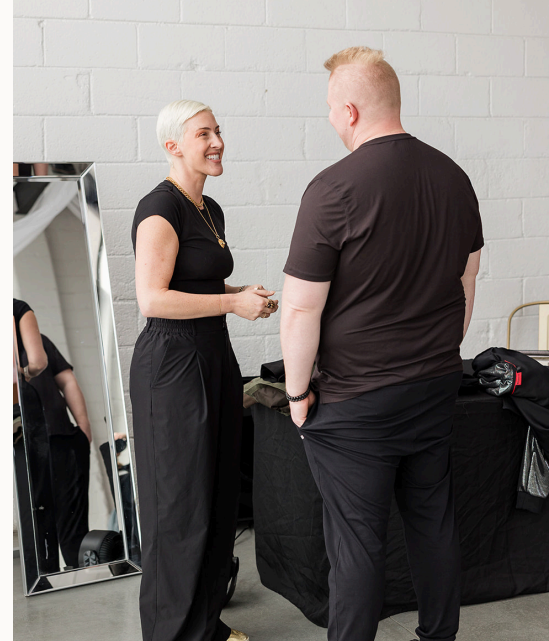




Mojave East

A refreshing morning for our chapter's dedicated leaders.
A time to rest, reset, and recharge.

SELF-CARE SATURDAY



[SHELBY STREET PHOTOGRAPHY GALLERY LINKED HERE](#)

EVENT SPONSORS

Venue: Mojave East @mojaveeast
Photography: Shelby Street Photography @shelbystreetstudios
Planner: Hannah Elaine Events @hannahelaineevents
Education: Terrica @introducingterrica
Cinema: Lighten Films @lightenfilms
Content: Lovers Lane Content Co. @loverslanecontent
Rentals: All Occasions @alloccasionseventrental
Style Consulting: KC Consulting Style @kc.consultingstyle
Draping + Entertainment: Party Pleasers @partypleasersservices
Catering: Bailey Family Catering @baileyfamilycatering
Centerpieces/Succulents: Succulent Seniorita @succulent_seniorita
Fine Jewelry: Elaine B Jewelry @elainebjewelry
Juicing: Juicing with Kiwi @juicingwithkiwi
Coffee: Coffee Haus @thecoffeehauscincy
Make up Artist - Chenese Bean @chenesebean.mua
Stationary: @muddylotus.studio
Salt Therapy: @saltlightwellnesscenter
Member Gift: @lovelyarrowsdesigns
Sound Bath: @studiodialchimia
Massage Therapist: Bodywork by Kira @bodyworkbykira





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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



HANNAH HAMILTON LEMONWOOD FLORAL

Business Summary:

Lemonwood Floral is a boutique floral design studio based in Central Ohio that specializes in creating nature-inspired, artful floral arrangements for weddings and other milestone celebrations. Led by owner and head designer Hannah Hamilton, Lemonwood Floral focuses on crafting organic, refined, and intentional floral sculptures that reflect each couple's unique vision and personality through thoughtful use of color, movement, and texture. With a highly collaborative design process, Lemonwood Floral partners with clients from initial consultation through event day, ensuring every detail harmonizes with the event setting and aesthetic.

Why WIPA:

Known for warm, personalized service and creative excellence, Hannah continues to strive for continued education and relationships amongst peers by building strong, relationship-first connections within the industry as a member of WIPA Greater Cincinnati. First joining back in 2023, the instant feeling of "home" was found amongst the tight-knit community. Partaking regularly in quarterly meetings, networking, and event sponsorships, Hannah attributes WIPA Cincinnati to the growth and continued success of LWF-- if not for WIPA's meaningful role, there may not be the partnership with Lemonwood Floral and Floral V Designs today!

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LANE SANDERS LOVERS LANE CONTENT

Business Summary:

Lover's Lane Wedding Content is a wedding content creation service dedicated to intimately capturing the in between and often overlooked moments of a wedding day and turning them into digital heirlooms. The experience is designed to feel like handing your iPhone to your wedding day best friend: someone you trust to capture anything and everything so you can stay fully present and never feel the urge to be on your phone. From editorial details, genuine guest interactions and emotional getting ready moments to full length ceremony footage, vows, and first looks, every meaningful detail is thoughtfully documented. The focus is on preserving the day exactly as it feels for you to experience it, not just how it looks. Couples receive a complete collection of raw footage, along with curated reels that are ready for seamless social media sharing. With a quick turnaround, memories are delivered while the excitement and emotion are still fresh. The goal is simple: to allow couples to relive their wedding day authentically, effortlessly, and over and over again.

Why WIPA:

WIPA has been an incredible resource for building meaningful relationships within the wedding industry and growing my business alongside like minded professionals. It has also helped me recognize my value as a business owner, lean into my strengths, and confidently build a luxury brand around what I do best. The community's commitment to professionalism, collaboration, and education has elevated both my client experience and vendor partnerships. Each event feels less like networking and more like spending time with a group of friends who genuinely support one another. Additionally, as a 2026 bride myself, being part of WIPA has also opened my eyes to how fortunate I am to have such a strong and trusted network of incredible vendors to consider for my own wedding day. I couldn't be more proud to be a part of this community!

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



SARAH DONOVAN

PRIME TIME PARTY AND EVENT RENTAL

Business Summary:

At Prime Time Party and Event Rental, we specialize in transforming weddings into refined, unforgettable celebrations across Dayton, Cincinnati, and Columbus. Our expansive inventory includes everything from elegant tents, tables, and chairs to linens, china, flatware, and more, carefully curated to complement every aesthetic.

We pride ourselves on offering an exceptional selection that allows couples and planners to bring any vision to life, whether it's timeless and classic, modern and sophisticated, or uniquely bespoke. With a commitment to quality, detail, and seamless service, our team ensures each element works in harmony to create a cohesive and elevated experience. At Prime Time Party and Event Rental, we don't just provide rentals, we help set the stage for extraordinary celebrations.

Why WIPA:

I truly love being part of the Wedding Industry Professionals Association (WIPA) community because it connects Prime Time Party and Event Rental with an inspiring network of talented, driven wedding professionals who share our passion for excellence. Being surrounded by planners, venues, and creative partners who continually raise the bar challenges us to grow, refine our offerings, and deliver an even higher level of service to our clients.

Serving couples throughout Dayton, Cincinnati, and Columbus, we value the genuine relationships WIPA fosters, relationships that go beyond referrals and create true collaboration. The educational programs and industry insights energize our team and keep us inspired, ensuring our inventory and design selections remain fresh, relevant, and elevated.

For us, WIPA is more than a membership, it's a community that motivates us to lead with professionalism, creativity, and integrity. We're proud to stand alongside peers who are just as committed to producing exceptional wedding experiences as we are.

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INDIE HOLLOW
LOVELAND, OHIO

Editor's Note

Hello WIPA Family,

As the frost settles over the Queen City, I've found myself reflecting on the incredible warmth of this community. I am struck by how lucky we are to have one another. Our industry is fueled by an unmatched level of passion, but as we look toward the horizon of 2026, it's clear we are all craving something deeper: a year that is as immersive as it is inspiring.

We recently wrapped an unforgettable Q4 with our Velvet Soirée. That evening was a masterclass in texture and connection—a perfect reminder that when we gather, the magic we create for ourselves rivals any wedding we produce for our clients.

But as we transition into the new year, we know that "pouring from an empty cup" isn't a sustainable business model. That's why I was personally so thrilled with our Q1 event: Self-Care Saturday. It was a necessary time to pause, breathe, and reinvest in our most important asset—ourselves.

We represent a unique, niche market of best-in-class wedding professionals. To maintain that standard, we must lean into our core values:

- Community: Building a network that acts as a safety net and a sounding board.
- Education: Staying ahead of the curve in an ever-evolving luxury landscape.
- Industry Resources: Equipping you with the tools to lead your business with confidence.

We spend our lives pouring into our clients' dreams. It is time we pour into our own professional relationships with that same intentionality. If you haven't yet joined our chapter or renewed your commitment, there has never been a better time to claim your seat at the table.

Stay warm, stay inspired, and I look forward to seeing you at our 2026 Gala!

Warmly,



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