RCMA WHERE FAITH MEETS** **2024 MEDIA KIT**





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The Religious Conference Management Association is a professional, nonprofit, multi-faith organization consisting of individuals who are responsible for planning and/or managing meetings, tutorials, conferences, conventions, and assemblies for their religious organizations.

RCMA is the proven faith-based association for meeting planners and suppliers, nurturing a community that inspires exceptional meetings.

RCMA raises the bar when it comes to religious meeting planning. Through the years this has enabled us to attract the meeting planner members representing many denominations and religious organizations. Plus, the association embraces key representatives of leading hotels, convention bureaus, conference centers, airlines and service companies.

IMAGOCREATIVE.COM

Imago is providing editorial, design and sales for RCMA's communications initiatives.

IMAGO is a media company based in the Chicago area specializing in storytelling through video, graphic design and events. For the last 19 years they have produced hundreds of videos, coordinated events up to 10,000 people and designed major marketing campaigns. IMAGO has partnered with RCMA for the last several years on their publishing and marketing initiatives.



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ASPIRE MAGAZINE



ABOUT

Aspire Magazine is the official publication of RCMA, and the premier magazine of the faith-based meetings industry. **Aspire** provides in-depth editorial on issues that are important to meeting planners and suppliers of faith-based meetings.

2024 FEATURES*

SPRING	Emerge 2024 in San Antonio		
SUMMER	Health & Wellness		
FALL	Events that Create Belonging		
WINTER	Greater Good: Connecting With A Cause		

***TOPICS SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

FACTS

- + 2,000+ qualified subscribers
- + 4,000+ reach per issue with pass-along readership
- + Readers represent over 5,000 meetings annually
- + 5.3 million people attend our readership's meetings each year
- + 53% plan 5 or more meetings per year
- + Average 500+ attendees per meeting
- + Annual conventions average 1,330 in attendance
- + Allocate \$367k for meetings and trade shows per year
- + Over 800 diverse religious organizations represented

SEGMENTS

WELCOME Greeting from the RCMA team

TIPS & TRENDS Industry innovations & ideas

FEATURE Long-form article on the issue's theme

STORIES Interviews with our suppliers & planners

DESTINATIONS Free feature on a great place to host your event

FOCUS Updates on RCMA events, education, & services

COMMUNITY NEWS Announcements from RCMA members & friends

INDUSTRY UPDATES The latest about venues & properties

MEETING MATTERS Insights from Dean Jones, RCMA's Director of Events

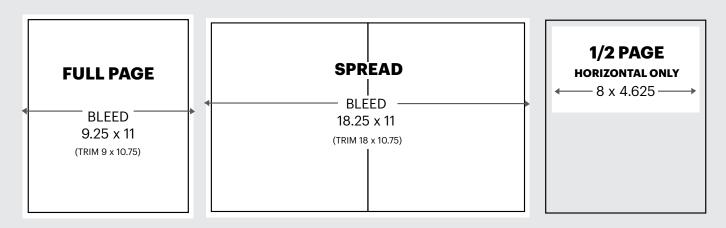
ASPIRE MAGAZINE PRINT & DIGITAL MAGAZINE

RATES		PREMIUM POS	SITIONS*
1/2 PAGE	\$4600	BACK COVER	+ 20%
FULL PAGE	\$5500	INSIDE FRON	T COVER + 15%
SPREAD	\$9000	PAGE 1	+ 15%
{20% DISCOUNT	FOR ALL 4 ISSUES}	INSIDE BACK	COVER + 15%

*Available Upon Request: Belly bands, inserts, polybags, etc.

DEADLINES	ADS RESERVED	ART DUE	MAGAZINE SHIPPED
SPRING	FEB 1	FEB 11	MAR 22
SUMMER	MAY 1	MAY 11	JUN 22
FALL	AUG 1	AUG 11	SEP 22
WINTER	NOV 1	NOV 11	DEC 22

SPECS FILE TYPES: .pdf or .jpg @ 300dpi



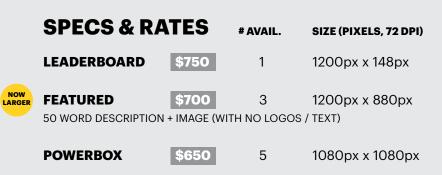
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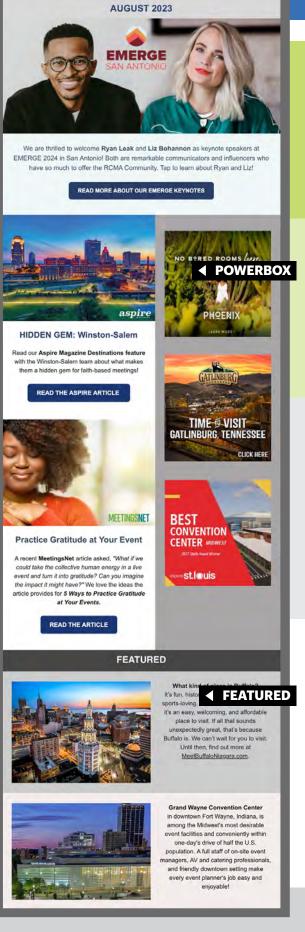
DETAILS

- + Monthly email newsletter that features relevant content for the RCMA community.
- + Sent to RCMA's exclusive list of 2000+ people.
- + 30% average open and 20% click rate.

DEADLINES

RESERVED	1st of each month
ART DUE	15th of each month
PUBLISHED	Last 2 weeks of each month





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RCMA NEWS

INTRODUCTIONS EMAIL

EMAIL FEATURING A DESTINATION

DETAILS \$2950

- + Monthly email featuring 1 destination with facts, photos and contact info.
- + Sent to RCMA's exclusive list of 2000+ people.
- + 27% average open and 6% click rate.

DEADLINES

RESERVED	1st of each month	
MATERIALS DUE	15th of each month	
PUBLISHED	Last 2 weeks of each month	

SPECS

SEND THE FOLLOWING:

- + (3) Destination images: 300 dpi @ 1080px or higher
- + Destination Logo: .eps or .ai preferred (include URL)
- + Key Contact(s) Head Shot: 300 dpi @ 1080px or higher
- + Key Contact Info: Name / Title / Phone / Email
- + Answers to these 3 questions:
 - 1. How do you serve faith-based groups?
 - 2. What are great places for groups to meet and stay?
 - 3. Where can groups recreate and play?

KEEP IN MIND: Responses should be 2 - 3 sentences and have a conversational / personal tone (no marketing-speak!).



TIPS & TRENDS EMAIL

EMAIL FEATURING RELEVANT INDUSTRY INFO



DETAILS \$2



- + Quarterly email featuring relevant industry info.
- + Features 3 article summaries with tips and trends selected from Aspire Magazine.
- + Each email features 1 sponsor.

DEADLINES

	RESERVED	ART DUE	PUBLISHED
SPRING	1/15	2/1	2/15
SUMMER	4/15	5/1	5/15
FALL	7/15	8/1	8/15
WINTER	10/15	11/1	11/15

SPECS

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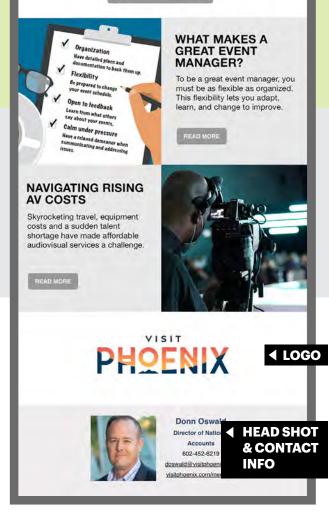
- + Destination Logo: .eps or .ai preferred (include URL)
- + Key Contact(s) Head Shot: 300 dpi @ 1080px or higher
- + Key Contact(s) Info: Name / Title / Phone / Email



THINK INTERACTIVE: DRIVING ENGAGEMENT THROUGH ACTIVITIES & ENTERTAINMENT

Event attendees want an experience that they can't get elsewhere or online. Events have to be more than just transmitting content, they must help participants feel connected, inspired and moved towards joy.

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REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

QUARTERLY EMAIL AND DEDICATED WEB PAGE



DETAILS

- + Each quarter, RCMA will highlight ONE REGION with a **REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS EBLAST** and on a dedicated WEB PAGE on the RCMA site.
- + Destinations may purchase a highlighted or standard destination listing (detailed below).
- + The web page will be promoted through RCMA's enews, social channels and mentioned in Aspire magazine.

HIGHLIGHTED LISTING

\$2000

Two highlighted destinations per region are available each year, with a top position and enhanced listing.

SEND THE FOLLOWING:

- + (3) Destination images: 2160 x 2160 px (no text or logos)
- + Copy: Up to 50 words Contact Info: URL / Email / Phone

STANDARD LISTING

\$800 Standard listings are also posted once per year.

SEND THE FOLLOWING:

- + (1) Destination image: 1080px x 1080px (no text or logos)
- + Contact Info: URL / Email / Phone

CORCMA REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

SOUTH REGION



Virginia Beach, VA Virginia Beach has over 140 diverse places of worship to celebrate their faith in an incredible God-given coastal environment. This community cares about one another and it shows when people come to visit and meet! Our CVB will assist our faith-based groups by providing assistance from the lead, proposal to the booking and on-site process

> visitvirginial (757) 385-6654



Greater Fort Lauderdale offers the ideal mix for business and pleasure. It's the gathering place of choice for large professional organizations and religious programs. Family reunions are also drawn to our sun-kissed shores for experiences in suburban cities that offer affordable lodging and for unique intergenerational activit

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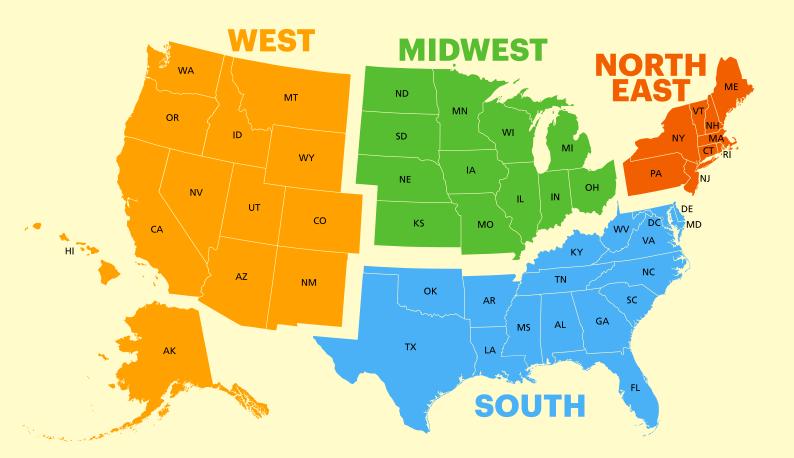


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REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

QUARTERLY EMAIL AND DEDICATED WEB PAGE



***REGIONS BASED ON US CENSUS BOUNDRIES**

NEW IN 2024!

DEADLINES	RESERVED	DUE	PUBLISHED
WEST	FEB 1	FEB 11	MAR 22
SOUTH	MAY 1	MAY 11	JUN 22
MIDWEST	AUG 1	AUG 11	SEP 22
NORTHEAST	NOV 1	NOV 11	DEC 22

PRESIDENT'S VIDEO

VIDEO EMAIL FROM RCMA'S PRESIDENT

DETAILS \$

\$3750

- + Quarterly email video of RCMA's president giving updates on RCMA's latest initiatives.
- + Each email features 1 sponsor, highlighted by the president.
- + Sent to RCMA's exclusive list of 2000+ people.
- + 36% average open and 25% click rate.
- + Promoted on RCMA's social media channels, mentioning and tagging sponsors.

DEADLINES

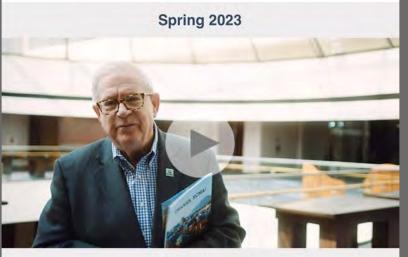
	RESERVED	ART DUE	PUBLISHED
SPRING	3/1	3/15	3/31
SUMMER	6/1	6/15	6/30
FALL	9/1	9/15	9/30
WINTER	12/1	12/15	12/22

SPECS

SEND THE FOLLOWING:

- + **Destination Logo:** .eps or .ai preferred (include URL)
- + Key Contact(s) Head Shot: 300 dpi @ 1080px or higher
- + Key Contact Info: Name / Title / Phone / Email
- + **Social:** Your social channel web links and/or a destination hashtag
- + **B-roll Footage (optional):** Send HD destination footage to IMAGO to use as potential b-roll

CANA PRESIDENT'S



Harry R. Schmidt RCMA President & CEO



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 HEAD SHOT & CONTACT INFO

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STORIES VIDEO VIDEO EMAIL OF STORIES FROM THE RCMA COMMUNITY

STANDARD

\$2500

- Bi-Monthly email that links to a video testimonial from an RCMA planner sharing about what they love about their job and how RCMA has impacted them (created by IMAGO).
- + Sent to 2000+, 33% open & 11% click rate.

CUSTOM

\$3750

- + Same testimonial format as the standard story, but the interview is with a **supplier** from the sponsoring organization.
- + Interview & candid shots filmed during RCMA's Emerge event (sponsors must setup an appointment at RCMA's EMERGE event to be interviewed with the IMAGO team).

C RCMA STORIES

Derek Altom Director of Events and Development at Randall House Publishers



Tonya Edge

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AFFINITY Sales Man

onya.edge@augustamarric augustaconventioncenter.com



HEAD SHOT

& CONTACT

INFO

DEADLINES

STANDARD

RESERVED MATERIALS DUE

30 days prior to sending 15 days prior to sending

CUSTOM

RESERVED MATERIALS DUE

30 days prior to EMERGE15 days prior to sending

SPECS

SEND THE FOLLOWING:

- + Destination Logo: .eps or .ai preferred (include URL)
- + Key Contact(s) Head Shot: 300 dpi @ 1080px or higher
- + Key Contact Info: Name / Title / Phone / Email
- + B-roll Footage (optional FOR CUSTOM STORIES ONLY): Send HD destination footage to IMAGO to use as potential b-roll

INSIGHTS VIDEO



DETAILS \$3



- A quarterly email featuring a 3-minute video of an expert sharing key industry insights (original videos created by IMAGO). Videos filmed during RCMA's Emerge event.
- + Each email features 1 sponsor, with their logo appearing at the end of the video and contact person, logo and contact information featured at the bottom of the email.
- + Videos will be highlighted on all of RCMA's social channels.

DEADLINES

	RESERVED	ART DUE	PUBLISHED
SPRING	2/15	3/1	3/15
SUMMER	5/15	6/1	6/15
FALL	7/15	8/1	8/15
WINTER	9/15	10/1	10/15

SPECS

SEND THE FOLLOWING:

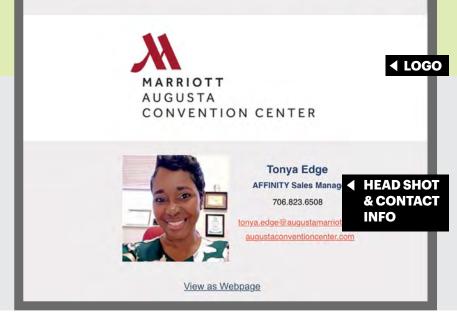
- + **Destination Logo:** .eps or .ai preferred (include URL)
- + Key Contact(s) Head Shot: 300 dpi @ 1080px or higher
- + Key Contact(s) Info: Name / Title / Phone / Email

C RCMA INSIGHTS



3 KEYS TO CREATE A DYNAMIC EVENT with Melvin Tennant

Hear from Meet Minneapolis CEO, Melvin Tennat on how to create unique experiences for yourattendees that they cannot get elsewhere.



DESTINATIONS VIDEO

FORMERLY DESTINATION SPOTLIGHT

DETAILS \$32



- + Custom email featuring a sponsorprovided video about their destination (video link, image, and description).
- + Email text, image, and link will be posted on RCMA's social media channels.
- + Each email features 1 sponsor, there are 2 emails available per month.
- + Sent to RCMA's list of 2000+ people.
- + 36% open and 25% click through rate.

CORCMA DESTINATIONS VIDEO

There's Room To Meet In Phoenix



DEADLINES

RESERVED	1st of the month
ART DUE	15th of the month (to run the next month
PUBLISHED	1st and 3rd weeks of each month

SPECS

SEND THE FOLLOWING:

- + Video Link: YouTube or Vimeo
- + Copy: 50 words + Title
- + **Destination Logo:** .eps or .ai preferred (include URL)
- + Key Contact(s) Head Shot: 300 dpi @ 1080px or higher
- + Key Contact(s) Info: Name / Title / Phone / Email
- + **Social:** your social channel web links and/or a destination hashtag

When it's time to go beyond — traverse new horizons through collaboration, blaze the of innovation, and embark on your next great venture — we invite you to Phoenix, where there is more than enough room to reach your meeting goals.

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Donn Oswald Director of National Accounts 602-452-6219 doswald@visitphoenix.com visitphoenix.com/meetings HEAD SHOT & CONTACT INFO

WEBADS BANNER ADS

DETAILS

- + The RCMA web site receives 1800+ visits monthly.
- + Ads can be static (.jpg, .png) or dynamic (.gif).

LEADERBOARD AD:

- + Only one leaderboard ad is featured each month.
- + The Leaderboard ad appears at the top of every page on the RCMA site.

BANNER ADS:

- + Up to 12 banner ads will be featured each month.
- + Banners rotate between 3 positions at the bottom of the RCMA home page.



DEADLINES

RESERVED	1st of the month
ART DUE	15th of the month (to run the next month)
PUBLISHED	1st of each month

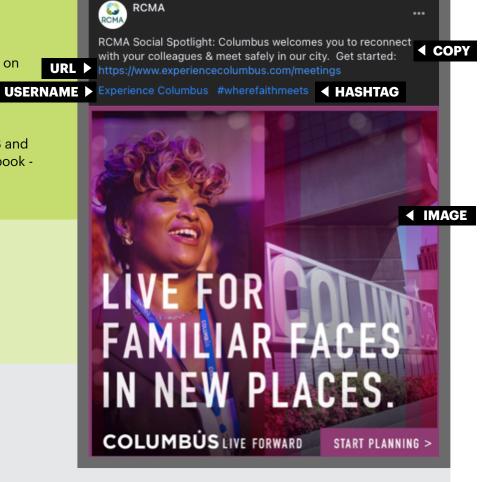
	SPECS & RATES		# AVAIL.	SIZE (PIXELS, 72 DPI)
NEW!	LEADERBOARD:	\$950	1	1200px x 148px
	BANNERS:	\$475	12	900px x 296px

SOCIAL SPOTLIGHT

SUPPLIER HIGHLIGHTED ON RCMA'S SOCIAL MEDIA

\$1000 DETAILS

- + Highlights a supplier twice during a month on RCMA's Instagram and Facebook feeds.
- + Post includes text description, tagging, and url link.
- + For an additional fee, we can post STORIES and VIDEO REELS to RCMA's Instagram & Facebook contact us for more details.



DEADLINES

RESERVED 30 days prior to sending

MATERIALS DUE 15 days prior to sending

SPECS

SEND THE FOLLOWING:

- Image: 1080 x 1080 pixels, 300 dpi +
- Copy: Up to 200 characters of text +
- Link: ONE url link to add to text (non-clickable on Instagram) +
- Hashtag: Destination specific hashtags +
- Channels: Send links to your Facebook and Instagram pages +

CONVERSATIONS PODCAST & WEB EVENTS



DETAILS



- + Live web event, also shared as a podcast and video. 4-6 per year.
- + Each event/podcast features one sponsor, highlighted via recorded greeting or destination video.
- + An industry expert is interviewed by RCMA leadership during each web event, broadcast live via Zoom.
- + IMAGO will produce a high quality podcast and video from the live event, using additional a/v equipment.
- + The video and podcast will be hosted on RCMA's web site and distributed through several podcast and video channels.
- + Pre and post event marketing will include RCMA newsletters, social channels, and custom email blasts.





DEADLINES

RESERVED 90 days prior to event **MATERIALS DUE** 30 days prior to event

SPECS

SEND THE FOLLOWING:

- + Pre-recorded Video: 1-2 minute greeting, or destination video (1920x1080p .mp4 or .mov)
- + **Destination Logo:** .eps or .ai preferred (include URL)
- + Key Contact(s) Head Shot: 300 dpi @ 1080px or higher
- + Key Contact(s) Info: Name / Title / Phone / Email

CUSTOM ARTICLE

SUPPLIER HIGHLIGHTED ON RCMA'S WEB, SOCIAL MEDIA, MAGAZINE, EMAIL & ENEWS

DETAILS

- + Customized **interview**-style article, focused on a topic of the client's choosing.
- + Interview approximately 500 words, comprising of one full-page in print.
- + Content features responses from someone from the client's team.
- + Article published in Aspire Magazine (print & digital), RCMA's Blog.
- + Promoted through Facebook, Instagram, e-News and a custom email.

DEADLINES

RESERVED 60 days prior to sending **MATERIALS DUE** 30 days prior to sending

CONTENT PROCESS

► CLICK TO GO TO FORM

- 1. Client fills out the <u>Custom Article Form</u> sharing information about the **topics** they would like the article to focus on and **key contact information**.
- 2. Imago sends customized, detailed questions for the client to provide written responses.
- 3. Client provides:
 - + Interview Question Responses Imago will provide editorial support and input.
 - + Destination Logo: .eps or .ai preferred (include URL)
 - + Head shot of person responding to questions (300 dpi @ 1080px or higher)
 - + 4+ Photos of Destination: 300 dpi @ 1080px or higher
 - + Story Image (OPTIONAL): Vertical (tall) image (1080 x 1920px @ 300dpi)
- 4. **Imago** sends proofs of the **social media graphic**, **blog post**, and **article**, for client approval.
- 5. After Client approval, IMAGO will publish and promote the article!

CUSTOM ARTICLE

SUPPLIER HIGHLIGHTED ON RCMA'S WEB, SOCIAL MEDIA, MAGAZINE, EMAIL & ENEWS

SAMPLE COMPONENTS

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BLOG POST

CREATIVITY IS THRIVING IN BUFFALO

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Why is Buffalo is becoming known as a center for creativity and diversity?

How is your team providing creative solutions for meetings?

What would you like to say to planners interested in Buffalo Niagara?

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ASPIRE MAGAZINE PAGE

Creativity is Thriving in Buffalo

How is your team providing creative solutions for meetings?

Buffalo has gained a reputation in recent years as a **city on the rise** with unique experiences, new lodging opportunities, and renowned global cusine. Now, the Queen City continues to shine her crown with a **new public art initiative**. Ubrant murals add color and culture to Buffalo's busing downtown and diverse neighborhoads.

This creativity is part of the fabric of this remarkable destination, and visually demonstrates the city's co hospitality. We met with the team from Visit Buffalo Niagara to find out more.

During the past year and a half we've had to provide creative meetings solutions which included offering more flexible and multi-purpose venues with significant outdoor space in an effort to meet safely. We continue to liste to the needs of our clients and push the level of creativity further, but always with their comfort and peace of mind as a primary concern.

What would you like to say to planners interested in Buffalo Niagara? If you have a meeting or conference you'd consider houting in Buffalo we'd low to heat you for a site visit. Plasse contact **Imma Carls** tee below for contact info). Our affordable and friendly destination not only provides unique cultural experiments but is open and witchming to all. There's a reason we call it he Unexpected Buffalo. We look

Why is Buffalo is becoming known as a center for creativity and diversity? iffalo is in the midst of a renaissance. We are a city of rich and diverse cultures, talented artists, and ir inkers. Our story is as unique as our transformation, and that story can be experienced through our l nether it's viewing the unique and vibrant murals around our city, sampling the countless types of eth sines, or visiting national historic sites that serve as a narrative to our diverse history.

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EMAIL

CORCMA DESTINATION SPOTLIGHT Creativity Is Thriving In Bufflao

Creativity is part of the fabric of this remarkable destination and visually emonstrated the city's commitment to hospitality. We met with the team from Visit Buttalo to find out more.

READ THE ARTICLE



Buffalo is a city on the rise with unique experiences, new lodging opportunities, and renowned global cuisine. Now, the Queen City continues to shine her crown with a new public art initiative. READ

CREATIVITY **IS THRIVING IN**

FACEBOOK POST We post on Instagram also

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ENEWS AD



Read our overview of two recent articles providing expertise from the event planning pros: 18 Event Industry Experts Share Their Best Advice for Event Professionals and The Top Event Planning Tips to Keep You Organized, Efficient, and Valued.





Visit San Antonio has named as its new pre and CEO Marc Anderson, formerly the chief operating officer at a similar tourism organiza ation in Chicago

Anderson called San Antonio a "vibrant communit that is poised not only for an incredible recovery b extensive growth in the coming years." He said th othy's 'pon-tourism and pro-business stance' was a welcomed opportunity. Anderson has nearly three decades of experience in the hospitality industry.





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