

PRESS RELEASE

Nino Giaimo, Owner of *GIA, Drink. Eat. Listen*, Wins the 2019 Arts in Business Award by Popular Vote



Nino Giaimo will receive the award at the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce Small Business Awards Luncheon on April 2nd at the Proximity Hotel.

Greensboro, N.C., March 28, 2019 – Nino Giaimo, owner of *GIA, Drink. Eat. Listen*, wins the 2019 Arts in Business Award by popular vote for his support in the arts community. ArtsGreensboro will present Giaimo with the award at the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce small business awards luncheon at the Proximity Hotel on April 2, 2019.

The Arts and Business Award is made in partnership with the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce and the Greensboro Merchants Association. Each year, the award recognizes a Greensboro small business for its leadership and commitment to the arts and its impact on the arts over the past year, as measured by activities, projects, or events in support of any aspect of the arts.

Gia, Drink. Eat. Listen serves up live, local musical fare for its patrons every Thursday and Saturday nights. In addition to providing a venue that supports local musicians, owner Nino Giaimo generously donates his culinary talents and restaurant to support many Greensboro Symphony fundraisers.

The nominees for the 2019 Arts in Business award included: Larry Donnell, owner of Africa & More; Marty Kotis, President & CEO of Kotis Holdings; and Al Stephens, owner of Moore Music Company.

Past recipients of the Arts in Business Award include Steinway Piano Gallery, Scuppernong Books, The View on Elm, Tate Street Coffee, Just Be, PhotoBiz, and Quaintance-Weaver.

The Small Business Awards Luncheon is an annual event hosted by the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce that increases its member companies' visibility and exposure while supporting the local small business community by recognizing outstanding small business leaders and entrepreneurs in the greater Greensboro area.

[High Res Photo of Nino Gaimo](#)

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[About ArtsGreensboro](#) is the only organization dedicated to strengthening the entire arts landscape in our community, which means that our contributors and volunteers have a wide impact on thousands: local audiences, students, teachers, artists, and families. We support arts events, projects, facilities, school arts programs, artists, and a local arts economy that contributes over \$162 million annually back into our city.

The purpose of ArtsGreensboro is to lead and serve our creative community both as a financial resource and catalyst toward innovation, excellence, and sustainability – in order to harness the power of the arts to educate and inspire, connect people across all cultures to build a stronger community, and make Greensboro a vibrant and healthy place to live and work.