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In the name of science at '21st Century MODS Gala'

The Museum of Discovery and Science will host the Mercedes-Benz Fort Lauderdale's "21st Century MODS Gala" Nov. 8.

Terry Stiles will be honored for his 30 years of service on the museum's Board of Trustees as well as his contributions to the greater Fort Lauderdale community.

Stiles is the chairman and CEO of Stiles Corporation, founded in 1951 in Fort Lauderdale, and has worked to beautify and revitalize his home town. As a community leader, he has helped make a positive difference for today's youth and tomorrow's leaders. Stiles donates his time to organizations that support children, education and family.

"I am incredibly honored to be recognized by the Museum of Discovery and Science at this amazing event," said Stiles. "My involvement with the museum spans more than 30 years and included the leadership of the fundraising, design and construction of the building you see today. MODS continues to be an integral part of our community, contributing to our culture as well as the ultimate success of greater Fort Lauderdale, and I am proud to be a part of it."

This year's gala is co-chaired by Rick J. Burgess, Jim Ellis,

Tony Giordano and Kenneth Stiles.

During the Hollywood glamour themed event, guests will experience a high-energy cocktail reception sponsored by Wells Fargo and a silent auction. They will be escorted down the BB&T 'Hollywood Walk of Fame' for a special dinner designed by A Thierry's Catering, complete with wine pairings by Penfolds and Matua wines. The night will continue with a live auction followed by dancing to music provided by a live band.

Proceeds from the event will benefit operations and programs at the Museum of Discovery and Science. Sponsors and benefactors were honored at an exclusive Oct. 9 Underwriters' Party sponsored by ADT and hosted by S3.

For more information, contact Robyn Harper at 954-713-0906 or rharper@mods.net, or visit www.mods.org.

The Museum of Discovery and Science works to provide experiential pathways to lifelong learning in science for children and adults through exhibits, programs and films. Founded in 1976 as The Discovery Center, the nonprofit serves 400,000 visitors annually. ■

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Robert Roselli, left, Erica Stowers-Thaler and Jim Ellis