



'Tyler Perry' stars highlight weekend scholarship gala

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Lamman Rucker, star of the hit TBS sitcom "Tyler Perry's Meet The Browns," will join philanthropist Dr. Maurice A. Lee for the fourth annual M.A. Lee Scholarship Fund Gala at 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1, in the Smith-Hammond-Middleton Memorial Center on the campus of South Carolina State University.

Rucker, known for his roles in "Tyler Perry's Meet The Browns" movie, "Why Did I Get Married?" and the anticipated "Why Did I Get Married 2," has also been featured in the UPN sitcoms "Half & Half," "All Of Us," and for his roles on the daytime dramas "As The World Turns" and "All My Children." Rucker met Lee during a photo shoot for a major magazine publication celebrating good black men and agreed to be the keynote speaker for this year's scholarship gala.



The M.A. Lee Scholarship Fund was established in 2006 to provide academic scholarships to first-year college students in difficult financial circumstances. Named for its founder, the M.A. Lee Scholarship Fund is a nonprofit organization. Each year, the foundation hosts a gala celebration raising funds from ticket sales and donations from individuals and small businesses. It is the goal of the foundation to foster education by helping those in need of assistance with college expenses, thereby strengthening the community.

Joining Rucker as featured entertainment for the gala will be another familiar face from the works of Perry, actor-singer Terrell Carter. Carter is known for his roles in "Tyler Perry's What's Done In The Dark" and "Tyler Perry's Meet The Browns" plays, and the movies "Tyler Perry's Diary Of A Mad Black Woman" and "Tyler Perry's Madea's Class Reunion."

Tickets to the fourth annual M.A. Lee Scholarship Fund Gala are \$35 each. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit maleescholarship.org.