

Orange Gala/National Kidney Foundation Fundraising Event General Information

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Performers

- Alyssa Jones - alyssa@felixandfingers.com - 682-225-7693 (Piano)
- Maxwell Ward - maxwellemmettward@gmail.com - 6513284909 (Piano)

IMPORTANT: Food Allergy Information

- Alyssa Jones has the following food allergies: Gluten

Entire Event Day Time Frame

04/11/2025 - 05:00 pm - 10:00 pm CST

Location

Metropolitan Ballroom & Clubroom
5418 Wayzata Blvd
Golden Valley, Minnesota 55416

Contact Person(s)

Jeanine Zidon
(612) 801-0729
jeanine.zidon@kidney.org

Load-In

Load-in Note: You may see one or both performers arriving for setup. Rest assured, this is normal and coordinated in advance.

You may load in equipment at 03:00 pm

Expected number of guests:

250

Contacts

Photographer:

Abbigail Worlow
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(612) 801-0729
jeanine.zidon@kidney.org

Venue Manager:

Patrick Fitzgerald

(612) 238-4444

pfitzgerald@damico.com

Auctioneer

Kate Pearce

(612) 703-3674

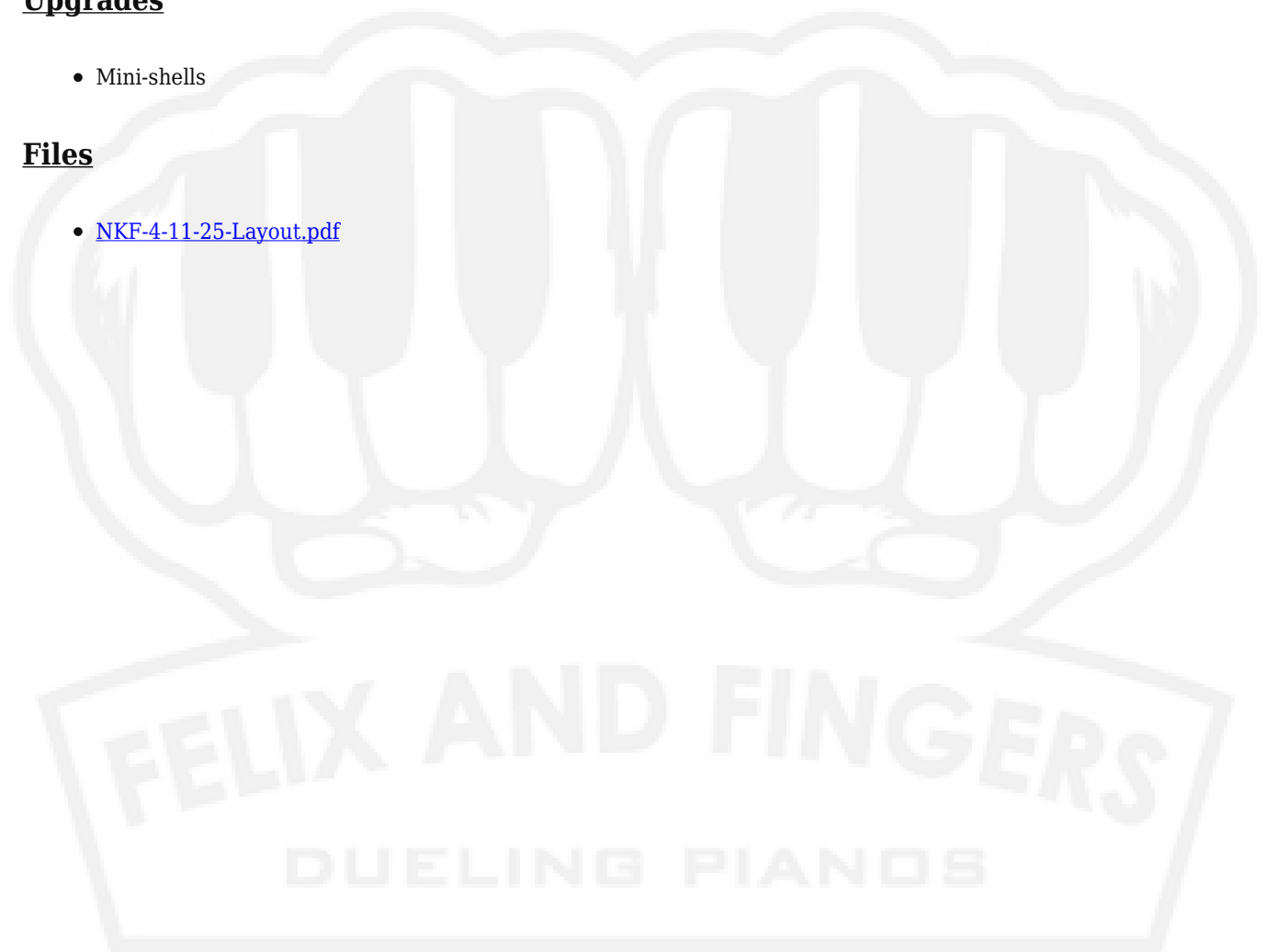
kate@fladeboeadvancement.com

Upgrades

- Mini-shells

Files

- [NKF-4-11-25-Layout.pdf](#)



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Itinerary

Time Frame	Activity	Notes
5:00	VIP Reception	We will be with 1 speaker & 1 keyboard in the VIP area
6:00	General Admission	DJ Background music
7:00	Ask guest to be seated for dinner	Venue will start clearing people- we will MC
7:15 ish	Heads or Tails game	Make announcement for heads & tails & Sidney the Kidney & Andy- DJ Rocky theme song
7:30	Dinner is served	
7:45	Program begins/ Fund a Need/ Live Auction	Video, Jason & Jackie Speech > Fund a Need > Auction- We will read auction items
8:40	Diamond Earring Drawing	Jason and Jackie will say goodnight- Be ready to play Pink Pony Club
8:45	Dueling Pianos Starts right after drawing	
10:00	Event Ends	end show when it feels right for the room

Dinner Seating

There is a volunteer/host room available. They will bring meals to the volunteer room. Everything is gluten free.

Announcements

See above and walkthrough that Jean will send over. Auction item descriptions will be sent as well. Less emphasis on tipping, but some.

Explicit Lyrics:

Just use your best judgement. This is typically a fun crowd :) Maybe muffle the really bad words?

Tipping:

Yes

Alcohol/Bar

Type: Combination/Other

Details: VIP - open

General - Cash

Complimentary Drink provided by Tito's

VIP Branding Wrap

Players, please find the simple instructions on how to apply the wrap here: <https://youtu.be/OYODK8s37gs>

Additional Information: Andy will arrive around 5:30.



Orange Gala/National Kidney Foundation Fundraising Event Miscellaneous Information

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People To Include In Show

We are featuring a kidney patient who is 5 years old - Coyle Bauer.

One of our previously board members, Dr Paul Olson, is in a brass ensemble band and LOVES to sing. He sang Bear Necessities last year!

Children

Approximate Number Of Children: 1

General Age Range: 5

Wireless

Details:

Please Provide The Name Of The Connection And Password

Wireless Name

Password

TBD

TBD

Other

Performer's Attire - Festive (In accordance with a particular holiday)

This is a gala that ranges from a tux/ballgown to business casual. Please be comfortable! Their color is orange.

Performance Expectations - 1 - More banter and comedy. Less emphasis on dancing.

This number represents a sliding scale between 0 and 5. 0 leans towards traditional bar show with lots of dueling piano banter and comedy. 5 represents a show with little talking and non-stop dancing.

[Please be sure to review the Fundraising Performer Guide!](#)

Departure And Load-Out

We must be packed up and out of the venue by 11:00 pm

Orange Gala/National Kidney Foundation Fundraising Event Gear Check And No-List

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Reminders:

- Turn down the lights in the room
- Double check your sound board settings, speaker settings, lights, mics on, etc.

Gear Check List:

- Keyboard (with power cable and sustain pedal)
- Wireless Mic and extra batteries (lapel for ceremony)
- Stands (Keyboard Stand, Music Stand, Mic Stand, Light Stands, Speaker Stands)
- Speakers (with power cables)
- Monitors (Players may bring their own. All monitors must use the Main Send, no independent mixes)
- Lights (With power cables and pedals)
- iPad (charged, or with charger)
- Mixing Board
- EIF/Questionnaire
- Pencils/Forms/Tip Jar/Gaff Tape
- Freddy
- Stool
- Cables (Power/Patch/XLR/DJ Cable)
- DJ Headphones
- Mini Shells
- Rockin Roller
- Extra Mic
- Clothing: Shirt/Pants/Socks/Shoes/Belt/Tie/Undershirt
- Business Cards

The "No" List

- No special load-in instructions
- No genres/tunes to avoid
- No must-play songs
- No sound ordinances
- No shuttle

Emergency Contacts

Below is the order of contact to follow:

1. National Entertainment Director

Shawn Grindle - (412) 860-0544

2. Logistics Manager

Tina Naponelli - (815) 382-4341

If they are unavailable:

3. COO

Bre Podgorski - (818) 823-5799 (text only)

4. CEO

Mike Potts - (815) 245-3623 (text only)

Scribd

Scribd is a great resource for locating sheet music (ie. First dances, ceremony music, special requests). Please feel free to use our account.

Username:info@felixandfingers.com

Password:FFPlayer88

Player FAQ

Have other questions? Chat with our [AI Support](#)