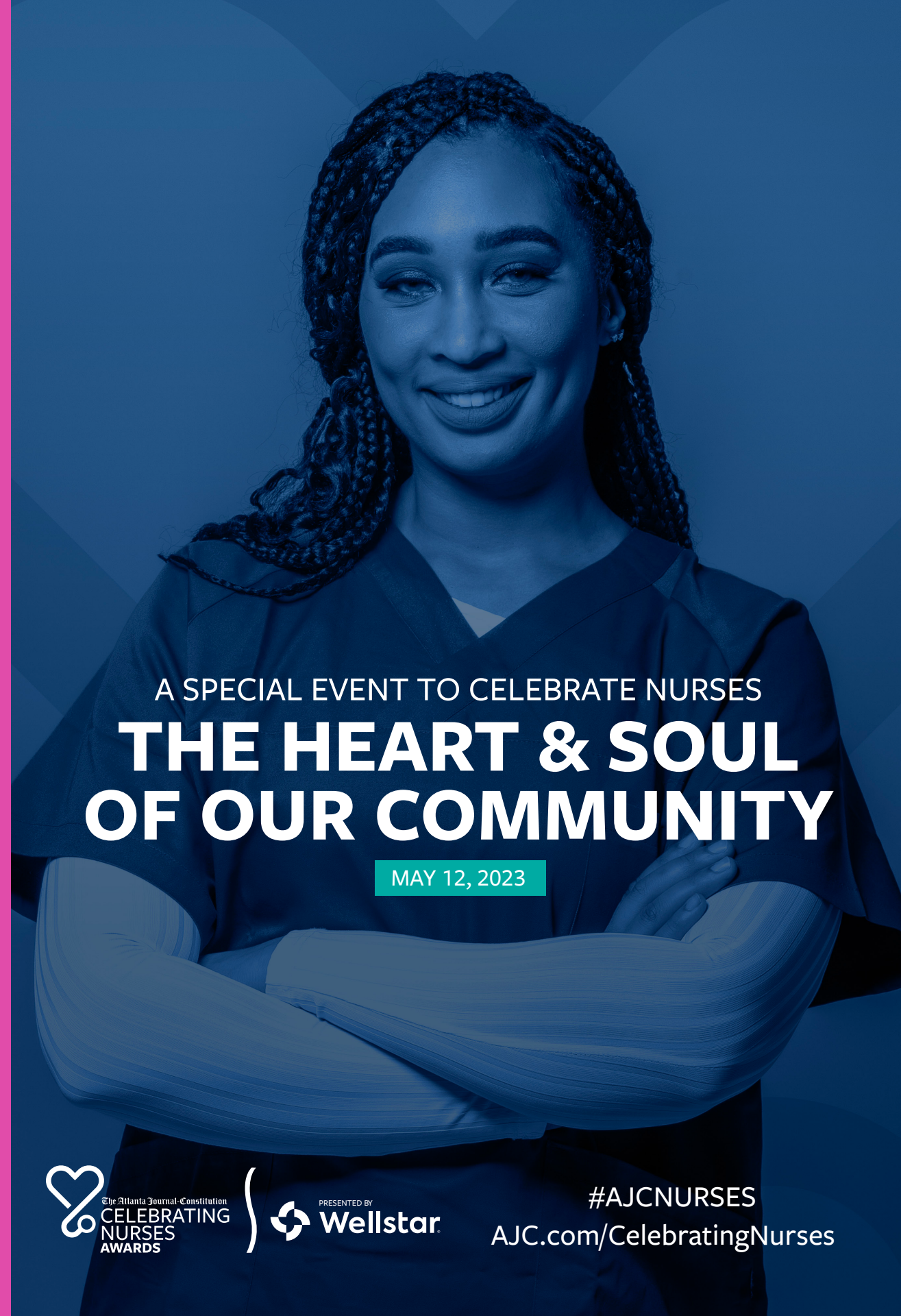


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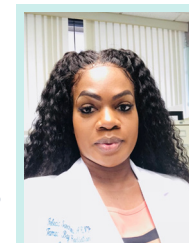
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MEET THE 2023 CELEBRATING NURSES HONOREES

The prestigious Celebrating Nurses Awards is in its 18th year and continues to see hundreds of stellar nominations. After careful consideration based on competitive criteria, ten Registered Nurse honorees and one exceptional leadership award honoree were selected for their remarkable work and dedication. We are proud to celebrate their achievements and recognize the contributions of skilled and diligent nurses throughout Georgia.



Mark Lee
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Stacey Howard
Ebonee Jordan
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Gabby Miller
JaBria Mitchell
Yetunde Nonye-John
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Rachel Patterson
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Terri Watkins
Alison Yam
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Jessica Bishop
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Sherrell Collins
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Molly Vandegraft

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Chiniqua Carter
Jessica Whitten

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Kami English
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Holly Trusty
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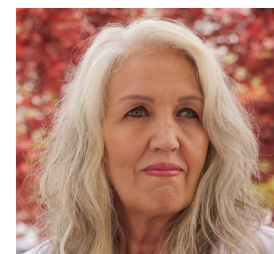
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Terri Holden

Med-Surg Charge Nurse at Piedmont Cartersville

Terri has a gift for finding creative ways to make patients feel cared for and not forgotten. She makes special connections and embraces patients as if they are family. She exemplifies everything that it means to be a Piedmont nurse by truly making a positive difference in every life she touches. We thank you, Terri, for going above and beyond to make our patients feel at home.



Lisa Treadwell

Charge Nurse in the Progressive Care Unit at Piedmont Eastside Medical

With 40 years of experience as a nurse, Lisa still stands by her mantra, "Nurse from the heart". She believes excellent clinical skills are only half of what it takes to be an exceptional nurse. Care and compassion are the other half, and she routinely shares this with others. She teaches younger staff the importance of combining skills with heart to connect with patients on a deeper level. We honor you, Lisa, for your passion and commitment to our patients.



Kathleen LePain

Staff Nurse in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Piedmont Athens Regional

Kathleen has a gift for providing personalized care, comfort and empathy to families going through trying times. She has seen a lot in her 40 years as a nurse in the NICU. Her superior clinical skills, depth of knowledge and compassionate heart set her apart. Kathleen is skilled in listening to her co-workers, patients, and their families. She makes it her mission to meet their needs and provide for them as best she can. We appreciate you, Kathleen, and your dedication to our patients and staff.



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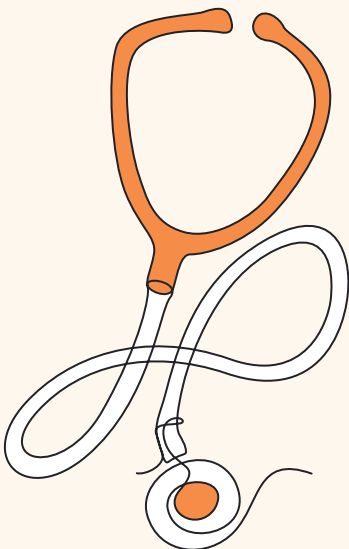


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