

Naples Children & Education Foundation Names Del Vecchio as Events Manager

Naples, FL (December 13, 2023) – The Naples Children & Education Foundation (NCEF), the founding organization of the Naples Winter Wine Festival (NWWF), has promoted Caprice Del Vecchio to the position of Events Manager. In this key role, she is responsible for the successful execution of all events of NCEF and NWWF, including the annual Naples Winter Wine Festival, Volunteer Appreciation Brunch, Cultivation Events, Tastevin and Grant Awards Ceremony.

"Caprice has played an essential role in the success of the Naples Winter Wine Festival since coming on board just over four years ago," said Lisa Juliano, Senior Vice President, Naples Winter Wine Festival and Event Production. "We look forward to her continued contributions in this enhanced role with the organization."

Del Vecchio joined NCEF in October 2020 as the Events Coordinator. She brings a collective eight years of experience in the hospitality industry, including experience in hotels, restaurants, and lifestyle. In addition, she has more than three years of experience in the events industry through her time as Senior Special Events Manager at the Hilton Naples in Naples, Florida and Convention Services Manager at the Embassy Suites Denver Downtown in Denver, Colorado.

Born and raised in New Jersey, Del Vecchio moved to Florida after graduating high school and attended Florida Gulf Coast University in Fort Myers. She graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Science in Resort and Hospitality Management with a concentration in Event Management. She also is a graduate of the Honors Program with Special Recognition. Throughout her life, Del Vecchio has dedicated time to various charitable organizations.

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About Naples Children & Education Foundation

The Naples Children & Education Foundation (NCEF), the founding organization of the Naples Winter Wine Festival, is improving the educational, emotional and health outcomes of underprivileged and at-risk children. Through its annual grants and strategic initiatives, NCEF has impacted close to 90 of the most effective nonprofits in the local community, providing 350,000 children with the services and resources they need to excel. NCEF's unique approach, which emphasizes collaboration between organizations and bridges public and private resources, has become a blueprint for how to transform a community, one issue at a time.

About Naples Winter Wine Festival

The Naples Winter Wine Festival (NWWF), one of the world's most prestigious charity wine auctions, offers a weekend of unforgettable memories. Guests enjoy world-class food and wine during intimate dinners in elegant, private homes and other landmark settings throughout Naples and are invited to bid on once-in-a-lifetime travel and wine experiences during an electrifying live

auction. Since its inaugural event in 2001, the NWWF has raised almost \$302 million, making a profound difference in the lives of hundreds of thousands of children in Collier County.

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