



TINA AND ALBERT H. SMALL, JR.

As we celebrate 60 years since the Benjamin Ourisman Memorial Award for Civic Achievement was first presented, we are pleased to honor Tina and Albert H. “Sonny” Small, Jr. The award recognizes individuals whose efforts and achievements have improved life in our community.

Sonny is a third generation Washington, DC builder. He is the founder and President of Renaissance Centro, developers and builders in The District of Columbia, Virginia and Maryland suburbs. Sonny currently serves on the Board of Tulane University and the Tulane School of Architecture. The Small’s have been instrumental in the establishment of the Tina and Albert Small Jr. Center for Collaborative Design at Tulane University School of Architecture. The Small Center benefits students, local non-profits and the broad New Orleans community through a variety of partnerships with over 100 Community projects since hurricane Katrina.

Sonny also serves in a lead role in the establishment, planning and implementation of the New Albert and Lillian Small Jewish Museum, being developed downtown as part of the Capital Crossing development. Additionally, he is actively involved in the establishment and building of The Tina and Albert Small, Jr. Family Community Chapel at The Garden of Remembrance in Maryland.

Sonny currently serves as a director of Griffin Industrial and United Bank. He has been active in Young Presidents Organization, Chief Executives Organization and Urban Land Institute.

He has held leadership roles with Washington Hebrew Congregation, Gan Zikaron Memorial Park - The Garden of Remembrance, The Jewish Historical Society of Greater Washington, The JCC, as well as many other civic boards and philanthropic organizations.

Tina is active in the community and serves on the Executive Committee of the National Symphony Orchestra Board of Directors. Her focus has been on Education and Outreach, and the Small’s were initial partners of the NSO In Your Neighborhood program. She has been a longtime board member of the Edlavitch DCJCC, and serves on the advisory board of Yachad. Tina previously has held leadership roles with The Wolf Trap Foundation and Sidwell Friends School.

The Small’s continue to support numerous local and national charities in the areas of education, health and community betterment.