



The Southern Living Hotel Collection adds The Inn at Fontanel To its Portfolio

Nashville, TN – (April 15, 2016) In conjunction with Southern Living, Fontanel announced today the Inn at Fontanel has been chosen to become one of only four Tennessee members of the Southern Living Hotel Collection, joining Blackberry Farm, the Hermitage Hotel and Whitestone Country Inn. Hand-picked by their staff, the Southern Living Hotel Collection is a carefully selected series of the most delightful hotel experiences the South has to offer. From perfectly crafted rooms and restaurants to breathtaking natural surroundings, each of these premier properties captures a charming experience that is both distinctively different and completely Southern. They are all independent hotels, resorts and inns with a 4 and 5 star rating.

“Because the Inn at Fontanel originated as the 2013 Southern Living Idea House, I was thrilled to have an opportunity to become part of this collection”, stated Kellie Lapelle, Director of Guest Services of the Inn. “In fact, when it was transformed from the Idea House to our Inn, I was nearly able to match the featured Idea House décor and keep every suite unique to its original concept. And because Southern Living Magazine subscribers read the magazine like it is a book rather than a magazine, they will recognize us immediately from the immense coverage we received while it was the Idea House. We are extremely proud to join the elite group associated with Southern Living’s Hotel Collection.”

“The Southern Living Hotel Collection represents a natural extension of our travel pillar, stated Kristan Payne, Executive Director Brand Development, Southern Living. “This exclusive collection defines the best of the best in the South, selected by our writers and readers. We are looking forward to sharing these unique and special experiences, destinations and discoveries with our friends of Southern Living.”

About Southern Living

Southern Living Hotel Collection is a carefully selected collection of independent resorts, hotels and inns, hand-picked by Southern Living, offering the best in authentic Southern travel, hospitality and experience. These select members of the Southern Living Hotel Collection provide their guests with unique, undiscovered opportunities that showcase their history, destination and extraordinary service. The Southern Living brand is a division of Time Inc., one of the largest content companies in the world and the largest publisher in the United States.

About Fontanel

Fontanel is one of Nashville's premier destinations situated on 186 acres nestled in the rolling hills of the Whites Creek Valley, just 15 minutes North of downtown Nashville. Property activities include tours of the Fontanel Mansion, a 33,000 square foot log cabin and former home of Country Music Hall of Fame member Barbara Mandrell. Concerts at the Carl Black Chevy Woods Amphitheater, Adventureworks Ziplines, and three miles of public walking trails provided by Metro Parks and Greenway. Handcrafted small batch fine wines are available at Natchez Hills Winery, where you can enjoy a personalized tasting and take your favorite bottle home. Cafe Fontanella is the property's award-winning restaurant, and is open 7 days a week featuring Italian/American cuisine. Accommodations are available on-site at the luxurious Inn at Fontanel, a boutique Bed and Breakfast. Shopping is available at the Stone House Gift Shoppe (which also serves as the box office). For more information or to book a private event, visit www.fontanel.com or call 615-724-1600.

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