Madison County Board of Supervisors P. O. Box 608 Canton, MS 39046

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# Upstairs Downtown Canton, Mississippi November 1, 2018 4:00-8:00

## **Ever wonder what was upstairs around the Canton Square?**

**Upstairs Downtown** is an event designed to draw visitors to mingle with Canton residents for an evening of design discovery, economic development awareness, and promotional success in our charming downtown. It will be an exclusive tour of the square that showcases primarily the upstairs spaces that are rarely accessible to the public. Many of the charming buildings and boutiques that draw the crowds to Canton have equally appealing second floors not always seen by visitors, or even locals for that matter. To satisfy the growing curiosity about these mysterious upper rooms we will have this satisfying experience, **Upstairs Downtown**. Canton is a prime tourist attraction with opportunities to share our architectural history while promoting businesses and shopping in local stores. **Upstairs Downtown** will also showcase spaces created in renovated historic structures.

In addition to local citizens, this invitation extends to real estate agents all around the Canton area to give them a better idea of the types of spaces that Canton has to offer. An architect or designer will be available for the event because not everyone is able to visualize the spaces "post-renovation".

Hors d'oeuvres will be served at in each building and cocktails will be served in permitted locations (such as Legends and Trolio Hotel). There will be musicians on the square to add some energy. These small touches really help make it an "experience" and not just an event. The Canton Welcome Center will be the check-in location for tickets and arm bracelets.

### **Participating Buildings so far:**

The Loft
The Mosby Building
Trolio Hotel
Canton Movie Museum
The Crosby
Rich Grain Distilling County
Elks Lodge

The merchants are invited to stay open.

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Alison Spivey (Merchant)